



Village of Nakusp

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Municipal Tax Sale

A public auction is held each year at 10:00 am on the last Monday in September at the Village Office at 91 – 1st Street NW.

Bidding is accepted on all properties. Prospective bidders are advised that it is their responsibility to search the property's title in advance to determine if any changes are registered against the property.

The minimum bid is the amount of the Upset Price. Payment of the Upset Price (by cash or certified cheque) must be remitted immediately. If the purchase price exceeds the Upset price, the purchaser must pay the balance by 1:00 pm on the tax sale date. If payment is not remitted, the Collector again offers the property for sale. The properties for sale will be advertised in the September 7th, 14th, and 21st editions of the Arrow Lakes News.

Council Meeting Dates

Council will meet only once during the month of September and then back to twice a month starting in October on the following dates:

September 25th, 2023

October 11, 2023 (Wednesday)

October 23, 2023

Council starts promptly at 6:30 PM at the Emergency Services Building located at 300 8th Ave NW. All Council meetings are available for virtual attendance.

Holiday Closures and Service Interruptions

National Truth and Reconciliation Day is Saturday September 30th and is being observed on Monday October 2nd. Thanksgiving Day is Monday October 9th.

As we will be **closed on Monday October 2nd and 9th**, Monday's regular garbage service will take place on the following Tuesday.

Monday Oct. 2nd Garbage - Pick up on Tuesday Oct. 3rd

Monday Oct. 9th Garbage - Pick up on Tuesday Oct. 10th.



Fall 2023

Preparing for Winter - Bylaw Information

Did you know vehicles stored on Boulevards and Private property must be registered, insured, and in working order? A person can keep an unlicensed vehicle on their property as long as they are in an enclosed building. The term "vehicle" includes cars, trucks, trailers and RVs. Unregistered and uninsured vehicles cannot park on any Village street, avenue, or lane – including the grassy boulevard. Vehicles can be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense.

A reminder that all vehicles, with or without proper registration, may not be stored on Village Boulevards during the winter months due to snow clearing. It can result in the issuance of a ticket and towing of the vehicle at the owners' expense. The Village assumes no responsibility for vehicle damage due to snow-clearing efforts.

You can access this bylaw information through the Village website.

A New Village Website

Village staff have been working on a new Village Website, which will launch this fall with the same web address, www.nakusp.com. The point of the new website is for it to be more user-friendly, making it easier to find the information you seek.

The new website will provide a dedicated Public Notice section where all legislated notices through the Community Charter or the Local Government Act will be available. These notices can include, but are not limited to, requests to change the Zoning or Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaws, Public Hearings, and notices of calling special Council meetings.

Keep an eye out for an announcement on the launch date!

News from the Nakusp Hot Springs

The annual fall shutdown is scheduled for: October 9 - 15, reopening on October 16th, 2023.

Regular business hours are Monday to Sunday 9:30 AM to 9:30 PM.

Next Moonlight Dip

September 29, 2023

October 28, 2023

Rotary Playground

Phase 2 construction is taking place September. Delivery of materials is set to take place the first week, construction to follow. Due to safety reasons, the park will be closed for a few weeks while construction for phase 2 is underway.

We look forward to having the playground accessible again soon, until then, we thank you for your patience.

Operations in the Village

Public works crews are busy painting lines around town and are hopeful to be completed with the task by mid September.

Upcoming projects include hydrant maintenance, pot hole repair and re-application of cross walks. Traffic detours may be in effect while crews are working on these projects.

Paving at various locations will be taking place during September and October. Prior to work commencing, VoyentAlert notifications will be sent out giving the public the locations and dates of paving.

We will be busy with general preparation for winter months. As a friendly reminder when crews are on worksites with equipment please do not approach them. If you have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us at 250.265.3689.



Emergency Program Coordinator Message

Nakusp FireSmart Coordinator Noel Ballard recently teamed up with the RDCK Wildfire Mitigation Specialist Bree Lillies in a presentation dispelling myths about the FireSmart program and discussing wildfire response. In this latest edition of NACFOR's speaker series, the issue of Structure Protection Units vs. Home Sprinkler Systems was at the forefront. Important conversations about the shared responsibility of all community members to be prepared for emergency situations and cooperate with responders were also had. If you are interested in learning more, email Noel Ballard at firesmart@nakusp.com.



When large-scale emergencies strike, notification of evacuation alerts and evacuation orders are given to those affected, and time is of the essence. Be the first to be notified through our local emergency notification system, VOYENTALERT! To sign up, visit the VOYENTALERT! page on our website at www.nakusp.com, or call the Village office for assistance at 250-265-3689.

The Seasonal Switch from Parks to Arena

The beach washrooms are closed for this season, the washrooms at the gazebo will be closed after the Thanksgiving weekend, weather pending.

Ice season is coming!! It is anticipated for the ice to be ready for use on September 27th in the hockey rink. Ice for curling is anticipated to be ready for use on October 18, 2023.

UBCM 2023

BALANCING ACT

"Balance is not something you find, its something you create." - Jana Kingsford

UBCM is a convention where Mayors, Councillors, Electoral Area Directors and Administration leaders from all over BC gather for specific forums, study sessions, clinics, and pre-planned meetings with Provincial Ministers, Ministry Staff, Agencies, Commissions, and Corporations. Our Mayor, one Councillor, the Municipal Director for the RDCK along with our Director of Finance will be in attendance this year.

UBCM provides a networking opportunity with other BC Community leaders of all different community sizes. UBCM 2023, Balancing Act is all about balancing the priorities ahead and crafting plans that create impact in our communities.

Our Council has requested to meet with:

The Honourable Bruce Ralston, Minister of Forests;

The Honourable Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General ;

The Honourable Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Housing;

BC Hydro; and,

RCMP.