



Village of Nakusp Municipal Newsletter

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Council Dates

The upcoming Council and Committee of the Whole dates for March and April 2024:

Monday, March 11 & 25, 2024

Monday, April 8th, 2024 COTW

Monday, April 8th, 2024 Special Meeting

Monday, April 22, 2024 Regular Meeting

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

Committee of the Whole (COTW) meetings allow Council to meet and discuss matters without being held to the same formal standards during a Council meeting. This allows Council to discuss items more freely. However, they cannot make a decision. When meeting in a COTW setting, the members of Council are not acting as Council, which is why they cannot make a decision. They can make recommendations to be considered for formal decision-making at the next Council meeting.

For the 2024 Council meeting schedule, please visit our website, www.nakusp.com.

Nakusp Café

This year, the Village will host two (2) Nakusp Café, once in the Spring during the day and once in the fall during the evening.

Council and staff members will be present on April 16, 2024, at the Nakusp and District Sports Complex - Auditorium from 1 PM to 3:45 PM at 200 8th Ave. NW.

Staff will have a variety of prepared topics such as snow clearing, Zoning Bylaw amendments to meet BC's new Bill 44, the marina, the Nakusp Hot Springs 50th Anniversary celebrations and more to discuss with you.

We encourage you to bring your comments or complaints on any topic within Village mandate for an open discussion with us.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Utility Bills

Utility bills have been mailed out. A 5% discount is available for those who pay their utility bill on or before March 28, 2024.

A 10% penalty will be applied to your utility bill account if the account remains unpaid by August 30th, 2024.

Garbage Pick-Up Requirements

Residential garbage bags must be placed within an animal-resistant container for collection;

Garbage is to be placed out for collection no earlier than 7:00 AM;

Garbage must be placed on the Avenue adjacent to the residence on the day of collection;

All garbage for curbside pickup must be in Village Bags, and,

Each garbage bag shall not exceed 23kg (50 lbs) in weight.

Changes to the garbage collection system have been implemented to prevent garbage from being left out overnight and to minimize ripped-up bags. Garbage left out overnight attracts wildlife such as bears, raccoons, rats, etc.

Holiday Schedule for Garbage Reminder

- If the holiday falls on Monday, garbage will be picked up on the next business day.
- If the holiday falls on a Wednesday, it will be picked up the following Friday.
- If the holiday falls on Friday, garbage will be picked up on the Wednesday prior.



Nakusp Hot Springs

The annual Spring Shut-Down will be April 21 - May 9, 2024. We look forward to seeing you when we re-open on May 10th, 2024 for regular operational hours of 9:30 am to 9:30 pm.

March moon light dip will be on March 28, 2024 (Worm Moon). We will be open till midnight for your enjoyment.

The April moon light dip falls within our annual Spring Maintenance Shut-Down, we will see you for May's full moon.

Our campground will be open May 10 (dependent on snow level). Improvements over our shutdown include a remodel of Men's shower area and a few other items. Come up in May and see the improvements that have happened!

Please note that single admission prices are increasing this year. Locals may still take advantage of the 10 swims for \$100.

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FIRESMART

On March 27th at 6pm in the Nakusp Emergency Services Building meeting room, there will be a FireSmart presentation focused on farm & ranch wildfire resiliency. Topics include the Extreme Weather Preparedness Program, FireSmart assessments, and evacuation considerations for local farm & ranch businesses. New in 2024, there is an opportunity to apply for provincial cost-share funding that aims to increase farm-level climate resilience to extreme weather events. If you are interested in learning more, or have questions/concerns, email Noel Ballard at: firesmart@nakusp.com.



Curb-Side Recycling Reminder

Please rinse food containers before placing them into the blue bins to reduce contamination from food waste. When contaminated items are placed with the rest, it can cause items to no longer be acceptable for recycling.

Business Licence Renewals

Business Licence renewal deadline is March 31st each year. However, this year, the last business day in March is the 28th. Any businesses operating in April with an unpaid Business Licence are considered to be operating a business without a licence and subject to a fine of \$200 per day until the licence has been renewed. Please stop by the Village Office with your renewal documents and payment.

Community Clean-Up Week

The annually scheduled Community Clean-Up is set to begin on May 6 - 10th, 2024.

Please DO:

- ◆ Place items on the boulevard along the Street or Avenue from May 1st to 5th for collection.
- ◆ Acceptable items include: grass clippings, tree/shrub pruning (6 inches max), leaves and road gravel.
- ◆ Please have items separated and piled neatly.
- ◆ Pile sizes should not exceed 1 cubic meter (size of a refrigerator).

Please DO NOT:

- ◆ Place any items in a plastic bag - crews will not pick up.
- ◆ Place any items along the alleyways - crews will not pick up.

Please make sure your items are out by May 6th as crews follow a pre-set route and do not double back on that route once an area has been serviced.

Operations

Over the next couple of months, operations crews will be busy with regular spring maintenance and preparing for summer projects. Please be on the lookout for crews and equipment set up around town for road and pothole maintenance, including in the alleyways (not paving).

Please be on the watch for Voyent Alert messaging for the following activities to take place this spring:

- ◆ Street Sweeping;
- ◆ Construction at 4th Ave SW for drainage improvements;
- ◆ Hydrant Maintenance and Water Main Flushing.

Please see our website, www.nakusp.com, for tips about flushing water lines on your property after a Water Main flush has been completed.

Arena Parks

The ice in the arena at the Nakusp & District Sports Complex is scheduled to be **taken out on March 19, 2024**. If you have been hoping to get a private ice rental this season, call us to make your reservation!

Pickleball is still happening in the Auditorium, \$2.00 drop in fee on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Squash memberships are available in the Village Office, currently there are about 36 members! Join others walking in the auditorium Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings until noon.

Follow us on Facebook, Nakusp Recreation, for all programming opportunities.