



Village of Nakusp

Municipal Newsletter

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Council Dates

The upcoming Council dates for January & February 2025 are as follows:

Monday, January 13, 2025

Monday, January 27, 2025

Monday, February 10, 2025 - COTW

Monday, February 24, 2025

Meetings are open to the public and begin at 6:30 PM at the Emergency Service Building (300 8th Ave NW).

To attend virtually, please use the link at the top of the agenda.

Any agenda items must be submitted to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) by Noon on the Wednesday before the Council meeting. Requests for delegations must be made through the CAO. Each meeting is limited to two (2) delegations.

Please submit your requests or questions to:
cao@nakusp.com

Business Licence Renewals

2025 Business Licences must be renewed by February 28th, 2025. Businesses operating without a licence are subject to bylaw enforcement action, including fines.

If you have not received your renewal invoice, please contact the Village Office 250.265.3689 or email finance@nakusp.com.

2025 Recycling Schedule

The 2025 Recycling schedule can be found on our website under Municipal Services/Public Works Services/Recycling, or pop into the office and pick up a copy!

Village Garbage Bags

Village garbage bags can be purchased in the Village office as a single bag or as many as you would like. Bags are currently \$4.00 a piece, which covers the cost of collection and tipping fees.

The Village garbage collection system is a "pay as you go" system. This reduces taxes by creating a service that residents can choose to participate in.

Bylaw Enforcement Updates

Bylaw Enforcement Policy C012 was adopted on November 25, 2024, at the regular Council meeting and is available on our new Bylaw Enforcement web page and our online document library. The newly published Bylaw Enforcement webpage includes an online complaint submission form. All complaints must be made in writing; forms are available in the office.

The Village operates its bylaw enforcement practices on a complaint-based approach. Compliance through education is the preferred method of enforcement; however, if necessary, tickets may be issued, and further bylaw enforcement efforts may be used to obtain compliance.

If you have questions about bylaw enforcement practices, please contact the Village Office.

Snow Removal Reminders

Village crews will only be cleaning the following sidewalks as per the 2024/2025 Snow Clearing Plan (found on village website):

Priority 1: 6th Ave (from Broadway to 4th street)
4th Ave (from Broadway to 4th Street)
1st Street (from Nelson Ave to 6th Ave)
Broadway Street *(from 6th Ave to 8th Ave)*
8th Ave (from 1st Street to Broadway Street)

Priority 2: Waterfront walk
1st Ave SW, 2nd Ave SW, 3rd Ave SW, 4th Ave SW,
5th Ave SW.

Broadway Street (from Nelson Ave to 6th Ave) sidewalk snow removal is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner/occupier.

Parking Restrictions for Snow Clearing

A friendly reminder that parking restrictions for snow clearing (when we get snow) are in effect from November 15 through to April 1st of each year. Vehicles parked in contravention of the Traffic Street and Sidewalk Bylaw No. 496 can be towed at the owner's expense. Please do not park or leave parked on Village Boulevards vehicles, trailers, or others. The Village is not responsible for the condition of anything left on the boulevard that gets damaged by snow clearing or other municipal activities.

Nakusp Hot Springs

We are still celebrating the Hot Springs 50th anniversary! Join us for **\$8.00** soaks on the following dates (special rates are offered to everyone near and far):

January 14, 15, 16;

February 4, 5, 6; &

March 4, 5, 6, 2025.

The Nakusp Hot Springs will be closed from 12:30 - 4:00 PM and closed for the day at 8 PM on January 23, 2025, for staff training.

Operational Hours for **Thursday, January 23, 2025:**

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

The Nakusp Hot Springs is looking for a certified swimming instructor for some programming in the pools. Please reach out to Robin at rhethey@nakusp.com.

Special Events

Moonlight dips can be enjoyed on January 13 and February 12, 2025. The pools stay open until midnight to enjoy the full moon.

Winter Wednesdays (for locals: Nakusp and Area K residents) returned on the first Wednesday of November until the last Wednesday of March 2025.

Operational Hours:
Sunday through to Saturday
9:30 AM - 9:30 PM

Contact us at:

info@nakuspphotosprings.com OR (250) 265.4528
www.nakuspphotosprings.com

FireSmart

FireSmart BC upgraded the home assessment program! What was formally known as the "Home Partners Program" is now the "Wildfire Mitigation Program." It is still the same great program, which offers essential information on making your

home more resilient to wildfire and makes you eligible for rebates. It just became easier to participate in and more organized! If you want to learn more, follow the Nakusp FireSmart Facebook page and contact Noel Ballard at firesmart@nakusp.com.



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Sports Complex Recreational Programming

Public Skating (\$2.00 drop-in)

Everyday Noon - 2:00 PM

Please note there is no stick and pucks allowed on the ice during this time

Stick & Puck (\$2.00 drop-in)

Everyday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Public Walking in the Auditorium (FREE)

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Pickleball (\$2.00 drop-in)

Monday (senior drop-in): 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Monday (adult drop-in): 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Thursday (adult drop-in): 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Friday (family drop-in): 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

These schedules are subject to change. Up-to-date schedules can be found on the Village website and the *Nakusp Recreation* Facebook page.

All Village facilities will be closed on statutory holidays.

Would you like to book the ice? Contact us at rec_program@nakusp.com

A Reminder from Public Works

For emergencies relating to water service or water mains, sanitary services or stormwater drainage outside of our regular operational hours (Monday to Friday, 7 AM - 3:30 PM), please contact us on our Public Works Emergency

line at: **250.265.3861**

Dangerous Trees and Blow-Down

Many people in Nakusp work in and around trees while harvesting or processing them. Rules and regulations exist for working around trees, especially in the forest industry. Trees in parks, around trails, or other urban areas where people like to hang out have different rules for tree management than those set in the forest industry.

The main concern for both settings is that the trees will fall on someone or something valuable. In urban settings, there are more people, which changes the risk. When dangerous trees are assessed in municipal parks, they must be assessed by a certified danger tree assessor with training specific to parks and recreation. The difference comes from the Wildlife Tree Committee, which, along with the University of Northern BC, is responsible for training dangerous tree assessors in the province.

In 2024, the Village contracted a dangerous tree assessor to survey the park and trails both before and after the September windstorm. The trees removed were assessed by a professional and found to present a risk to people using those areas. After the windstorm, because of blown-down and hung-up limbs, staff and contractors spent more than 20 days cleaning up over forty (40) trees.