

# VILLAGE OF NAKUSP

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## 2025 PROPERTY TAX

Most of the Village's operating revenue is obtained through property taxes. When preparing the budget, the non-tax revenues are identified and allocated against costs to determine the balance required from property taxation.

Non-tax revenues can include fees and charges for services, federal and provincial government grants, investment income, etc. The amount of property tax revenue the Village must collect to provide the services to the levels prescribed by Council is used to calculate the tax rates based on BC Assessment's assessed values.

The budget for 2025 includes a 6.71% tax increase. This results in an overall increase for municipal property taxes of \$95,090, resulting in an increase to property taxes of \$74.32 for an average household assessed at \$442,000 and \$101.31 for a typical business assessed at \$260,000.

For an average residential home assessed at \$442,000, the taxation will have an impact of:

2024 Taxes	2025 Taxes	2025 Annual Impact	2025 Monthly Impact	2025 Daily Impact
\$1,230.01	\$1,304.33	\$74.32	\$6.19	\$0.20

Budget Adjustment drivers for 2025 Tax increase:

Inflation Adjustment		Staffing		Total Adjustment for 2025
\$70,590	+	\$24,500	=	\$95,090
5%		1.71%		6.71%

Property tax notices will be mailed out in mid-May. If you have not received your tax notice by June, please contact the Village office to obtain a copy. Taxes are due July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.

A 10% penalty will be applied to all outstanding amounts after the due date. Don't forget to apply for your Homeowner Grant through the province before the due date. Information regarding how to apply is included on your tax notice.

## FIRESMART



Join us for a spring FireSmart Event!

When: May 7, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM

Where: Nakusp Seniors Hall - 210 8<sup>th</sup> Ave NW

We look forward to seeing you there!



## COUNCIL MEETINGS

### 300 8TH AVE NW

- Monday, May 12, 2025
- Monday, May 26, 2025
- Monday, June 9, 2025 - COTW
- Monday, June 23, 2025

## INFORMATION

- Meetings are open to the public
- Meetings start at 6:30 PM
- To attend virtually, please use zoom link at the top of the agenda
- All agenda items must be sent to the CAO at [cao@nakusp.com](mailto:cao@nakusp.com)

## NAKUSP ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE



The Village's Accessibility Committee has been working with Plan 54 on developing the Nakusp Accessibility Plan.

The survey aims to understand accessibility in our community and what it's like for you to use village buildings, spaces, and services. Your input will help shape the Accessibility Plan.

Please use this QR Code to access the digital survey. If you, or someone you know, would like to participate and does not use the Internet, please visit the Village Office or the Nakusp Public Library for a paper copy!

## NAKUSP HOT SPRINGS

The annual Spring Maintenance Shutdown is taking place now, from April 21 until May 8. It will reopen on May 9<sup>th</sup> for regular operational hours.

Some of the renovations during the shutdown include the lobby area, new signage, a facelift for the Women's and Men's shower rooms, replacement of windows in the Chalets and work in the campground.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

The return of the cold plunge will start on July 1, 2025. The hot pool will be used for this summer feature!

#### Operational Hours:

Sunday through to Saturday

9:30 AM - 9:30 PM

#### Contact us at:

[info@nakusphotsprings.com](mailto:info@nakusphotsprings.com) OR (250) 265.4528

[www.nakusphotsprings.com](http://www.nakusphotsprings.com)

## SPORTS COMPLEX RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING

Do you have feedback regarding Village-run programs? Please take our survey! Physical copies are available in the Village Office, or use the QR code to participate digitally. Survey closes May 9, 2025.



### Ball Hockey - \$2.00 Drop In

The Village is testing interest in a drop-in ball hockey program at the arena for the month of May. More sessions may be scheduled into the summer if there is ongoing interest. Sessions are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 - 5:30 PM, for youth aged 12-18. **Children aged 6 - 11 are welcome; must be accompanied by a responsible person.** Questions - please email [rec\\_programs@nakusp.com](mailto:rec_programs@nakusp.com).

#### SAFETY DETAILS:

All players must wear a helmet (hockey, bike, anything with side impact rating)

Gloves and shin guards are recommended

Some sticks are available on a first-come, first-serve basis

No body contact

Unaccompanied children will not be allowed to play

Open to all genders, and play is mixed

### Public Walking in the Auditorium - FREE

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

### Pickle Ball & Tennis

The outdoor pickleball and tennis courts are open and available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

### Public Restrooms Opening

The Waterfront and Park restrooms will be open from 7:30 AM - 9:00 PM Monday through Sunday until the fall.

The Beach restroom will open later this spring. Please watch for notice on the Village of Nakusp Facebook page.

## A MESSAGE FROM PUBLIC WORKS

**Village crews will be working along the streets and sidewalks this spring. Please slow down, move over, and do not approach equipment while working. If you have questions about the work, please don't hesitate to call the office at 250.265.3689.**

Community Clean Up: Please place your pile on the boulevard in front of your house unless you receive garbage pick-up in the alley. This allows machinery to move more efficiently with less risk of damage to private property. Please ensure your pile is:

- Acceptable products include: grass clippings, tree/shrub pruning, leaves and road gravel.
- **DO NOT place items in paper or plastic bags**
- Tree trimmings must be less than ten (10) feet in length, but less than six (6) is preferred. Wood larger than six (6) inches in diameter will not be accepted because it is too big for the chipper
- All road gravel must be separated from leaves and grass clippings so the organic material may be composted.
- Material must be placed on municipal property only (boulevard or alley) and ready by 7 AM on the first day of Community Clean Up.
- Your pile should be no larger than a washing machine (one cubic meter).
- **The Village reserves the right to refuse any materials that do not meet the guidelines set above.**

Water Main Flushing: Crews will conduct water main flushing over the next few months. If homeowners experience air or dirty-looking water coming from their cold water taps, please run the tap until the issue clears up.

BIGGEST Pothole Contest: Send an image of the biggest pothole in the Village limits for a chance to win passes to the Nakusp Hot Springs. All entries must include the location. Please email [operations@nakusp.com](mailto:operations@nakusp.com).

Capital Project Highlight - Water Reservoir Cover: The Village is replacing the cover on the water reservoir because the current cover material has reached the end of its expected lifespan. The reservoir holds treated water from the water treatment plant and municipal wells. While no major service interruptions are planned, there may be some small ones in mid to late May. Notice will be provided once they are scheduled.

Water Use Fun Fact: The Village's summertime water consumption increases from 23,000 m3 per month to 80,000 m3 per month because of irrigation and outdoor water use. This means all the pipes, wells, and water treatment facilities are built to supply more than 80,000 m3, even if they are only used for July and August. The more efficient residents are with their outdoor water use, the less money the Village needs to charge in fees to pay for larger infrastructure.



# NAKUSP WATERFRONT MASTER PLANNING - NEWS RELEASE

## Help shape the Future of Nakusp's Waterfront

The Village of Nakusp is launching the Waterfront Master Planning process to guide the future of one of the community's most cherished spaces—its scenic lakefront. Residents and visitors are invited to share their ideas and help shape this vision by **attending an Open House on Thursday, May 22, 2025, at the Nakusp and District Community Complex, 200 8<sup>th</sup> Ave NW.**

Please drop in anytime between **3:00 and 7:00 pm** to speak with the project team, share your ideas, and ask questions.

The waterfront is a defining feature of life in Nakusp, offering recreation, reflection, and connection to the natural environment. With more people enjoying the area each year, the Village is undertaking the Master Planning process to create a long-term vision for the waterfront. Through public engagement, the project team and Village staff will be able to learn more about the community's goals for the space and refine a vision, goals, and objectives for the area.

"We're asking the community to imagine what's possible for our waterfront," said Wayne Robinson, CAO for the Village. "This is the time to think big and speak up about what matters most to you."

The open house will be an opportunity to:

- Learn more about the Master Plan process
- Review what the project team has observed so far
- Share your own vision for the future of the waterfront
- Highlight areas that could be improved or better connected

Light refreshments will be available, and participants can enter a prize draw to win passes to the Nakusp Hot Springs.

Can't make it in person? Complete our community survey.

In addition, a community survey will launch on May 22, 2025. It will be available both online and in paper format at the Village Office. The survey is an important way for residents to share input, even if they can't attend the event in person.

This is the first phase of public engagement, with additional opportunities planned for fall 2025. Everyone is encouraged to get involved and help create a waterfront plan that reflects the heart and values of the community.

For more information on the project and to access the survey (available May 22 – June 5), visit:

<https://www.nakusp.com/community-planning-projects/waterfront-master-plan>

Questions? Reach us at:

Phone: 250.265.3689

Email: [info@nakusp.com](mailto:info@nakusp.com)



JOIN US FOR NAKUSP'S

# Waterfront Master Planning Open House

Thursday May 22 | 3 - 7 pm  
Nakusp and District Community Complex

Help Shape the Future of Nakusp's Waterfront  
Drop in, learn, and share your ideas!

## Community Survey Available May 22 - June 5

Visit us online or pick up a paper copy at the Village office or Senior's Centre

Learn more: [www.nakusp.com](http://www.nakusp.com)  
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Email: [info@nakusp.com](mailto:info@nakusp.com)