

VILLAGE OF NAKUSP

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New Date!

COMMUNITY CLEAN UP APRIL 20-24, 2026

Community Clean Up week is scheduled for April 20-24, 2026; this is earlier than years' past, due to public request. This is a great opportunity for residents to tidy up their yards and help keep our community looking its best. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in following the guidelines below to ensure a smooth and efficient collection process.

COLLECTION GUIDELINES

Piles must be out for collection by **7:00 AM on Monday, April 20**. Accepted materials are grass clippings, tree/shrub pruning, and leaves. Materials not accepted are rocks, sand, and gravel and piles that contain any.

Pile Limits:

- **Maximum of two piles per property.**
- Each pile must be no larger than a standard washing machine (one cubic meter).
- Leaves will be accepted for collection in **paper** bags.
- Tree branches and shrubs must not exceed 10 feet in length and 6 inches in diameter. Larger branches must be cut, limbed, and reduced to 6 feet or less (or shorter if heavy).

New!

Pile Placement:

- Place piles on the front boulevard of your property.
- **Alley collection** requires approval. Please contact the Village Office in advance to confirm eligibility.
- Keep piles away from fences, trees, vehicles, mailboxes, and other obstacles.
- Ensure piles are easily accessible to collection crews.
- For tree branches or shrubs, please arrange stacked piles parallel to the boulevard to be easily collected by Village crews.
- Exemptions can be made by contacting the Village Office.

As a reminder, other waste (such as appliances, furniture, demolition waste or household/commercial garbage) will not be picked up and is the responsibility of the owner to properly dispose of.

SAFETY REMINDER

For the safety of both residents and work crews, do not drive down roads where crews are actively working. Please use alternate routes whenever possible. Thank you for your cooperation in making Community Clean Up week a success!

COUNCIL MEETINGS

300 8TH AVE NW

- Monday, March 9, 2026
- Monday, March 23, 2026
- Monday, April 13, 2026 - COTW
- Monday, April 27, 2026

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

UTILITY BILLS

The 2026 utility bills have been mailed out. Please reach out to the Village Office if you didn't receive yours. A 5% discount is available for those who pay their utility bill on or before March 31, 2026. A 10% penalty will be applied to your utility bill if the account remains unpaid by August 31, 2026.

NAKUSP MARINA MOORAGE

Do you have a boat that you have considered mooring at the Marina? We have openings! Annual price for April 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027:
-Village of Nakusp Residents: \$1,200 + GST
-Non-Residents: \$1,500 + GST
For more information or to purchase a slip, contact the Village Office or email finance@nakusp.com

NAKUSP HOT SPRINGS

SPRING MAINTENANCE SHUT DOWN

The Nakusp Hot Springs will be closed starting on April 20, 2026 and reopening on May 9, 2026 for our annual Spring Maintenance.

The last Winter Wednesday of the season will be March 25, 2026.

Stop paying full price to enjoy the Hot Springs!

The popular Swim Card remains your best way to save! Purchase a card for \$100.00 and every admission paid with the Swim Card is only \$10.00!

Available for purchase at the Nakusp Hot Springs.

New beginning May 1, 2026, all people using BC Transit to arrive at the Hot Springs gains entry to the pools for only \$8.50! This is now available year-round! Check out the BC Transit schedule for dates and times.

We've upgraded our coffee, with both hot and cold varieties! Soak and sip while you're here.

OPERATIONAL HOURS

Sunday to Thursday 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM

last entry into the pools at 7:30 PM

Friday and Saturday 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM

last entry into the pools at 8:30 PM

Contact us at:

info@nakusphotosprings.com OR 250.265.4528

www.nakusphotosprings.com

SEWER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADES - 2026

Public Works is undertaking an important upgrade to the Village's Sewer Treatment Plant to further enhance the quality of effluent released into Arrow Lake. This project introduces a new sludge removal system designed to significantly improve efficiency and reduce Total Suspended Solids (TSS), supporting stronger environmental performance and water quality protection.

Water Main Flushing

Crews will begin water main flushing over the next couple of months. The Village will put out VoyentAlert notifications when this is happening. If you need help signing up for this important notification system, please come by the Village Office.

You may experience a temporary disruption in water flow and/or pressure loss in your water service; this is normal. If you notice any changes to the coloration of your water, please run the cold tap until the water runs clear. For more information on water main flushing, please visit our website:

<https://www.nakusp.com/municipalservices/public-works-services/water>.

RECYCLING REMINDER

Recycled items collected by the Village team must meet the criteria on our website, and must be rinsed and clean of any food or other materials. Bins of recycled items that do not meet these conditions will not be collected.

Visit www.nakusp.com/municipal-services/public-works-services/recycling for more information.

NAKUSP & DISTRICT SPORTS COMPLEX

Check out our Recreation Calendar!

Please have a look at our Recreation Calendar for up-to-date schedules, program opportunities, and registration dates. The Nakusp Recreation Programming schedule is subject to change. www.nakusp.com/municipal-services/parks-recreation/recreation-programs

All Village facilities will be closed on statutory holidays, including April 3-6, 2026.

Change of the Season

Ice will be coming out - the last day for Arena and Curling Rink use is Friday, March 20, 2026.

The last day of indoor pickleball will be Thursday, April 30, 2026. Pickleball will be held outdoors at the tennis courts on a first-come, first-served basis at no cost.

Public Walking in the auditorium - last day is Friday, May 1, 2026.

Seniors' Fitness Classes - This Spring!

Are you looking to get more active this spring? Come to the Village Office to sign up for our 9-week Seniors' Fitness Class, every Wednesday from 11 AM - 12 PM in April and May, held in the Auditorium. This instructor-led class is \$144.11 with taxes per person and needs a minimum of ten registrants to offer the program.

Contact the Recreation Clerk at rec_program@nakusp.com or stop by the office!

DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Village of Nakusp is pleased to announce the hiring of Wade Forster as the Director of Emergency Services. In addition to this role, he will serve as Fire Chief for the Nakusp and Area Volunteer Fire Department (NVFD). In these roles, Wade's responsibilities will include leading the NVFD, overseeing emergency management and planning, conducting local fire inspections, and bylaw enforcement services for the Village.

A resident of the Nakusp area and active NVFD member, Wade brings more than 20 years of professional firefighting experience. He previously served as a Fire Officer with the Winnipeg Airports Authority, gaining extensive operational and leadership experience in a professional fire service environment.

Welcome, Wade!



Wade Forster, Director of Emergency Services