

MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

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Next Council Meeting

Monday, April 3, 2018

Monday, April 16, 2018

Agendas close at noon

If you would like to appear as a delegation, or have an item added to the agenda, please contact the Village office prior to noon on the following dates for the upcoming meetings:

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Thursday, April 12, 2018

Contact the Council

Councillor Schierbeck can be contacted at gschierbeck@shaw.ca

ICBC & Motor Vehicles

The Village of Midway Office offers all of your ICBC Autoplan and Drivers Services needs.

Village Office Easter Holiday Hours

Closed Good Friday & Easter Monday

Dog Tags - 2018 dog tags are now available at the Village Office. \$15 for spayed or neutered, or \$30 for un-spayed or un-neutered. Cash, cheque or debit.

Dog owners are reminded to ensure dogs do not bark constantly during the day and night as it is a disturbance to the public and neighbours.

Fire Permits - Residents are reminded that burning permits are required for all burning within the Village and can be purchased for \$1 at the Village Office. This includes campfire, and open burn piles not exceeding one metre in height and one metre in width. No person shall ignite or cause to be ignited any household waste, refuse, rubbish, garbage, plastic, or styrofoam, industrial or commercial waste.

*****Please note that there are Open Burn restrictions: there will be no open burning allowed during the peak hours of 11:00 am and 6:00 pm. This restriction applies to all new and previously issued burn permits.*****

Any person who contravenes or violates any provision of this Bylaw could be liable to a minimum fine of \$500.00 and should the Midway Volunteer Fire Department/Emergency Responder be required, the Permittee shall be liable for the total cost of the fire call per Bylaw #451, Part 10, Sec. 51 (2) (3).

Council Meeting News

Spray Park

Council approved the request of the Kettle Spray Park Committee to designate the northeast corner adjacent to the existing playground at James G. McMynn Park as the future site of the Kettle Spray Park.



Landfill Hours of Operation

- **Rock Creek** - Monday, Thursday, Saturday: 10 am - 3 pm Sunday: 10 am - 5 pm
- **Greenwood** - Tuesday, Friday, Saturday: 9 am - 4 pm

RDKB Open House

The RDKB is holding an open house for resident to find out more about the reasons for the closure of the unattended recycling bins in Midway and the options residents will have for recycling. The open house is being held **Tuesday, April 23, 2018 from 5 to 8 pm, at the Midway Community Centre.**

New Midway Residents

Welcome to Midway! New residents are asked to contact the Village Office to ensure we have your correct mailing address on file. Please phone 250-449-2222.

Council Meeting News Cont'd

Kettle River Museum - Proposed Bunkhouse Hostel

Members from the Kettle River Museum met with Council to discuss turning the Bunkhouse into a hostel for visitors to Midway. After some clarification as to what changes are being planned, Council approved to fund the proposed hostel renovation up to \$20,000.00.

New Fire Trucks

At the March 5, 2018 regular meeting, the majority Council approved the purchase of the following fire apparatus for use and allocation in both Midway and out in the Kettle Valley Fire Protection Service Area in Rock Creek:

1. 2007 Kenworth T800 (cab & chassis) from Inland Kenworth
2. A new 4000-gallon poly tank and fabrication of a steel skid from Barr Plastics (The intention is to have the 4000-gallon poly tank installed on the 2007 Kenworth T800 chassis for use as a 'Tender' which is a specialized vehicle capable of bringing water to fire trucks in the field that are engaged on the fire line)
3. 2003 Pierce Dash Pumper truck from EastCan Fire Inc.
4. 2004 American LaFrance Pumper truck from EastCan Fire Inc.

At their regular meeting of March 19, 2018, the majority Council approved a \$10,000 deposit to secure the 2003 Pierce Dash and a \$10,000 deposit to secure the 2004 American LaFrance Pumper trucks.

Employer Health Tax

In support of municipalities, the Council will write a letter to the Minister of Finance requesting that they consider an alternative to the Employer Health Tax. The direct impact will result in significant cost increase to municipalities who have few options to cover cost increases and will ultimately result in increases to property taxes or reductions to municipal services.

Road Rescue

Council will submit their comments addressing the need for a concerted approach to the oversight, administration, and provision of road rescue service being provided by local government fire departments and the downloading of those costs onto the taxpayers for a service that is majorly provided along provincial highways. While EMBC does provide some operational cost recovery to road rescue service providers for services to out-of-jurisdiction areas, this is not the case for in-jurisdiction areas, and those costs to fund the service are through local taxation.