

The Village of
Midway
MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

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Next Council Meeting

Monday, March 4, 2019

Monday, March 18, 2019

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, February 28, 2019

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Contact the Council

Councillor Schierbeck:

gschierbeck@shaw.ca

Mayor Fromme:

mfvillage@shaw.ca or

250-449-1978

ICBC & Motor Vehicles

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

Boundary Expo Recreation Centre -

The Midway Men's upcoming home games:

Wednesday February 27 @ 6:45pm

Sunday March 3 @ 6pm *if necessary*

**Playoff Schedule is subject to change

Boundary Minor Hockey Bantam's upcoming home games:

Sunday February 24 @ 2pm

Bantam House Playoffs March 1 - 3

Games begin at 3pm on Friday March 1. Boundary game times will be placed on our Facebook page and the LED board at the Library.

Grads vs Dads - Saturday February 23 @ 6:15pm.
Free Skate with Grads @ 5pm. Everyone Welcome!

2019 Business Licences - The \$50 annual fee is due in January for businesses operating in the Village of Midway. Fees can be paid at the Village Office by cash, debit or cheque.

Dog Tags - 2019 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.



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

Midway Tree Recycling

The Tree Recycling facility is closed for the season. It will re-open in the spring when all the snow has melted.

Battery Recycling

Drop off your dead household batteries in the red box at the Village Office parking lot.

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.

Slippery roads, parking lots, and sidewalks -

Please be cautious when walking in the Village as roads, sidewalks, and parking lots may be icy, especially after a fresh snowfall. Take precautions and wear appropriate foot wear when out enjoying the fresh air.



Midway Community Garden - Would like to thank the residents of Midway for their bottle donations. All the proceeds go directly to the improvements of the Garden. A few plots and boxes remain available in the garden. Come into the Village Office to rent one for the upcoming season.

2019 Budget - Any residents who have any items or considerations they would like to bring to the attention of the Council can do so by submitting a written proposal in person to the Village Office or via email to midwaybc@shaw.ca. The deadline to ensure your submission is under Council's consideration for the 2019 budget is March 31, 2019.

Clogged Sewer Lines - Residents are reminded not to dispose of sanitary wipes (ie. baby wipes or disinfectant wipes) in the toilet. A full list of unwanted items in our sewer system can be found attached to this newsletter.

Midway Partnership Fund - Now accepting letters of intent for grants. The form can be picked up at the Village Office. Deadline is March 31, 2019. If you have any questions, you can reach Danny @ 250-449-2208.

Unfortunately once again Public Works are having issues with the sewer system as a result of foreign objects being flushed into the system. Residents are reminded not to flush any foreign objects (clothing, towels, toys, etc.), chemicals, or toxic substances down toilets and into the sewer system. Public Works have had to deal with a couple of issues related to this in the past month costing taxpayers unnecessary staff time and expense.

Here are the top 10 things not to flush down your toilet.

#1. Dental floss

It may look small and harmless, but dental floss is not biodegradable, in addition, by virtue of its nature, it can easily get tangled and wrap itself around pipes, thus contributing to a clog.

#2. Grease, oil, fat and food

A lot of people think dumping grease down the toilet is better than dumping it down the kitchen drain, but that's a dangerous fallacy.

The thing about grease is that it goes down like a liquid, but it will eventually cool and once it does, it congeals and builds up on the sides of pipes. Over time, that pipe opening will get smaller and smaller until nothing passes through it anymore.

#3. Band-aids

Simply put, they're made from plastic and are not biodegradable.

#4. Disposable wipes (and paper towels)

The fibres that make up the disposable wipe are considerably thicker than toilet paper. Even three-ply paper breaks down very easily in water, but the wipes won't break down. The same principles apply for paper towels.

#5. Tampons and maxi pads

These products are designed to be absorbent and they'll expand past the point of where they can pass through the pipes. In addition, the fabric is not designed to be biodegradable. The same applies to cotton pads and swabs.

#6. Condoms

Much like the aforementioned products, condoms do not biodegrade and they can act like a balloon. If it isn't tied off, the condom can fill with water and get stuck in the waterways.

#7. Hair

It may be a natural fibre that comes from our bodies, but hair can wreak havoc on your pipes. Not only can it clog drains, but it can also trap other things leading to unpleasant odours and slow drains.

#8. Medications/Chemicals

This isn't about clogging pipes, but contaminating the water supply. As mentioned above, the sewer system isn't equipped to weed out all toxins. If you're throwing prescription medication or chemicals down the toilet, these products will make their way into the sewer treatment plant killing the natural process of the plant and will eventually be distributed back into the Kettle River.

#9. Kitty litter

It's just like the other absorbent items on this list, it will expand with water and potentially clog pipes.

#10. Clothes/Cloth Rags

Not only do clothes and rags clog the pipes they also get tangled up in the sewer lift stations. When this happens the pump stops working causing the lift stations to fill and this will result in the system backing up into residents basements. The pump needs to be pulled so all foreign objects can be removed. The pump could burnout in the process and this is a costly expense.

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Are you so tired of winter you could scream?

Would you like a night out on the town to sooth the savage beast?

Then, how about **Dinner and a Movie** with a friend, lover/partner?

Because we, your Midway Community Association, have a real treat in store for you.

Mark **Friday, March 1st at 6 pm** down on your calendar, then pop down to **"THE SPOT"**, in Midway and pick up your cheap, cheap **\$2 ticket** for an amazing **ASIAN DINNER** at our Midway Community Hall. Dinner will be followed right after by the showing of that terrific, old musical movie,

"THE KING and I"

Starring---Yul Brynner and Deborah Kerr

(Naturally, the movie comes with our delicious popcorn designed to fill up any of the small, empty places which might still be remaining in your stomach.)

Think of it: The hall filled with tables covered in our beautiful tablecloths, soft music playing in the background, delicious food in front of you. You eat your fill and then settle down for the show.

Afterwards you go home singing, "Shall we Dance?" or maybe whistling your own favorite happy tune. I mean, how can you lose???

There's only one catch. There are only 100 tickets on sale for \$2 at the Spot and they will go fast. (No reservations, please). There may be a few more available at the door for \$5 but we need to know how much food to prepare beforehand. Besides, the hall doesn't fit that many more people. So please, *Hurry and get your ticket!*

The cost of the dinner is coming from our own funds. Why? Because we want you to know how much we appreciate all those living here and nearby. The West Boundary and Midway in particular, are true hidden BC gems and we need to celebrate that fact. And leave the winter blahs a little behind while we wait anxiously for spring'

Want more information? Phone: 250-449-1978

Supported by: The West Boundary Recreation Commission

and

The Village of Midway