

The Village of
Midway
 MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

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Next Council Meeting

Monday, May 3, 2021

Monday, May 17, 2021

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, April 29, 2021

Thursday, May 13, 2021

Contact the Council

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.

Tree Recycling Facility - Please do not leave these types of materials (rocks, concrete, boards with or without nails) at the Tree Recycling Facility. The only materials allowed at this site are grass clippings, noxious weeds or branches or bushes that have been pruned. Around the beginning of April, someone dumped these items at the Tree Recycling Facility. Not only will the nails damage a chipper but they are a risk to everyone that goes in there of getting a flat tire. Residents, please help us keep this facility open and only use it for its intended use.





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

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.

Council Meeting Minutes

Are available on our website at: www.midwaybc.ca/minutes-newsletters/

If you do not have access to the online version, please contact the Village Office for a hard copy.

Midway Partnership Fund - Is now accepting Letters of Intent for 2021 grant funding. Information and forms can be picked up from the Village Office. Application cutoff is April 30, 2021.

Dog Tags - 2021 dog tags are now available at the Village Office. \$15 for spayed or neutered, or \$30 for un-spayed or un-neutered. Cash, cheque and debit are accepted.

Vacant property mowing - Residents are reminded to have their properties grass kept below 20 centimetres as per property maintenance and standards Bylaw No. 525, 2020.

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).



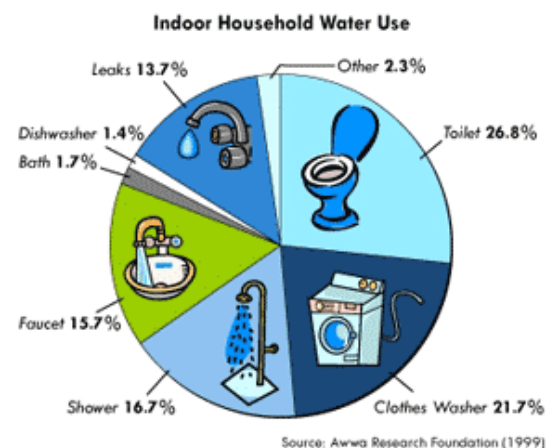
Water Conservation & the Village of Midway

April 23, 2021 - The Village of Midway requests that all residents do their part to conserve water on a daily basis. The nice weather has lots of people thinking about their lawns already. Please remember that there is plenty of time to establish a lush, green lawn. Conserving water now can help us in late summer.

Watering restrictions in the Village of Midway are always in effect per Bylaw No. 413 and sprinkling/irrigating lawns and gardens between the hours of 10:00 am and 6:00 pm is prohibited.

The Village recommends watering/irrigating once a day and on alternate days.

Water conservation is everyone's responsibility, including residents on their own wells. Village water and well water originates from the same aquifer, and if levels continue to drop then we all suffer.



Easy tips to help conserve water – and still have a healthy lawn and garden!

- Lawns and gardens require only 35 millimetres (~1.5 inches or enough to fill a tuna can) of water per week during warm weather. Less is needed during spring, fall, and cooler weather.
- Do not over-water to compensate for expected dry periods. Soil cannot store extra water.
- Water lawns every three to five days, rather than for a short period of time every day. This will help grow deeper roots, making your lawn more tolerant to hot summer temperatures.
- Raise your lawn mower blade to cut grass no lower than eight centimetres (three inches). Longer grass also helps feed the roots and retains moisture, reducing the need for it to quickly regrow.
- Choose water-efficient plants and consider xeriscaping.
- On days when it has rained, turn off your automatic irrigation system.
- Adjust sprinklers so that water does not run down your driveway or street.
- Adding a few inches of mulch to your gardens keeps your plant's roots cool and moist.
- Municipal water is for domestic use only and for your own property, not your neighbours.

The Village of Midway reserves the right to disconnect offenders from the water service, and any service that has been disconnected will be charged a minimum of \$50.00 before service resumes.



Midway Volunteer Fire Department

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INFORMATION BULLETIN

For Immediate Release Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations

April 20, 2021

Public and industry urged to use caution with outdoor burning. Given the current and predicted weather conditions within the Southeast Fire Centre, the BC Wildfire Service is encouraging members of the public and industry personnel to exercise caution when conducting any outdoor burning during periods of elevated winds.

The weather forecast continues to call for a drying trend this week along with elevated winds for the Southeast Fire Centre. As the temperature increases, the grass cures and dries, making it extremely flammable, especially in windy conditions. There are currently no open burning prohibitions in effect within the Southeast Fire Centre. However, it is the responsibility of the individual to ensure that burning is done in a safe manner in accordance with regulations.

Before lighting any fire, it is advised to monitor the upcoming weather forecast and check with your local governments to see if any local burning restrictions are in place.

Anyone conducting an outdoor burn must adhere to the following precautions:

- Never burn in windy conditions. Weather conditions can change quickly, and the wind may carry embers to other combustible material and start new fires;
- Ensure that adequate resources are on hand to control the fire and stop it from spreading;
- Create an appropriately sized fireguard around the planned fire site by clearing away twigs, grass, leaves and other combustible material, right down to the mineral soil;
- Never leave a fire unattended;
- Make sure that any fire is completely extinguished, and the ashes are cold to the touch before leaving the area for any length of time

Category 3 burn registration holders are encouraged to check on piles that were burned throughout the winter to ensure they are fully extinguished.

A poster explaining the different categories of open burning and applicable regulations is available online: <http://www.gov.bc.ca/openfireregs>

Michael Daloise
Fire Chief