

The Village of

Midway
 MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

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Next Council Meeting

Monday, December 20, 2021

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

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, December 16, 2021

Thursday, December 30, 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.

Boundary Expo Recreation Centre -

Installation of the chiller/condenser has begun! Plumbing and electrician crews were here this week. Arena Staff should be able to start to flood in early January.

Santa Visits the Midway Museum -

Congratulations to all involved in making Santa's visit to the museum a very enjoyable event.

"Thank you to the Community Association for organizing the event and supplying cookies, candy bag, and hot chocolate. Santa's chair and backdrop were beautiful. Our thanks also go to the Fire Department for ensuring Santa's safe arrival. The warming fires were appreciated. The flash lights from the RCMP and fire-fighting vehicles enhanced the safety for all.

Appreciation also needs to be expressed to the museum for permission to use the facility and grounds.

Public works did a fantastic job of decorating the area with Christmas lights as well as plowing the fresh snow.

Santa, you were so patient and kind to all the children--thank you.

Finally, the light fall of snow the night before turned the setting into a winter wonderland.

We look forward to another special winter event next year. Thanks to all"

Martin Fromme, Mayor, and the Village Council of Midway

Plowing and Boulevards - Residents are reminded to keep all boulevards clear of vehicles and other obstructions to ensure Public Works can effectively remove snow in a timely matter. This includes rocks and other objects that can freeze to the ground potentially causing damage to Municipal equipment.



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 (Box #) 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.

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.



Dog Tags - Our order of 2022 Dog Tags has been delayed. We expect to receive them by the end of January. To ensure we keep it all organized and sorted, we will be “pawing” Dog Tag sales until we have received our order. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Village of Midway Holiday Hours -

Friday December 24 -
CLOSED

Monday December 27 -
CLOSED

Tuesday December 28 -
CLOSED

Wednesday December 29 &
Thursday December 30 -
Regular Hours

Friday December 31 -
8:30am to 12pm

Monday January 3 -
CLOSED

Return to regular hours on Tuesday January 4.
The Staff and Council of the Village of Midway wish you a very Merry Christmas, the Happiest of Holidays, and a healthy and happy New Year!





NEWS RELEASE

COMMUNITY CENTRE UPGRADE, EXPANSION AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY RETROFIT SUCCESSFUL FUNDING

The Village of Midway is pleased to announce Midway has now received sufficient funding for Council to move ahead with the Community Centre Upgrade Project.

The project has received support through the following programs.

- *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) – Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure Stream (RNIS)*. The governments of Canada and British Columbia have approved joint federal and provincial funding for the Midway Community Centre Expansion and Energy Efficiency Retrofit project in the amount of \$1,185,660. **The total approved amount is 60% funded by the Government of Canada and 40% funded by the Government of British Columbia.**
- *Canadian Heritage Legacy Fund – Building Communities through Arts and Heritage Program*. The Government of Canada has also approved funding for Midway's Community Centre upgrade through the Canadian Heritage Legacy Fund. The Minister has agreed to contribute the lesser of \$400,000 or 50% Towards eligible expenditures incurred. This project commemorates the 125th anniversary of the naming of the Village of Midway.
- *Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – Rural Dividend Program - Project Development*. *The Province of British Columbia has approved the Village of Midway to receive \$10,000 to support the Community Centre Expansion Feasibility project and complete a business plan for the Midway Community Centre Upgrade project.*

The Village of Midway would like to thank the **governments of Canada and British Columbia** for their generous support to our project. We are excited that upon completion, the Community Centre will finally be able to meet the needs to better provide events, programs and activities for the people, our community and the region.

“The Government of Canada is pleased to contribute more than \$1.1 million to assist the Village of Midway in upgrading its Community Centre in order to meet the needs of local residents and make the building more energy efficient. Rural communities like Midway are on the front lines of climate change and our government will continue to work in partnership with them to support their transition to a cleaner and brighter future.”

The Honourable Gudie Hutchings, Minister of Rural Economic Development

It's communities like Midway who are intended to benefit from the Rural and Northern Communities program. Improvements to its community centre will provide a place for people to gather for events, group activities and social support for many years to come, while commemorating the past 125 years. Our government is supporting infrastructure projects in rural and remote communities all across B.C. where they face unique challenges to raise funds for these types of projects.”

Josie Osborne, B.C.'s Minister of Municipal Affairs

The BC Conservation Officer Service (BCCOS) is reminding residents to not feed deer as this causes issues for public safety and becomes a major issue for the deer's health.

With the exposure and desensitizing to humans, these deer become habituated and food-conditioned to people which makes them lose their natural response behaviours to

predators which can lead to conflict between humans and the deer.

Sometimes habituated deer can act aggressively in some cases towards pets and humans, especially in cases where a Doe and fawn might be present. Creating risks to humans within the urban environment.

Another issue with deer in urban environments is the damage they can cause to private property by eating ornamental trees, garden and lawns.

The other concern is that deer are prey species so congregating in an urban area is likely to attract predators to the same environment. By having positive encounters with pets, especially dogs the deer cannot differentiate between coyotes and wolves.

With deer being fed items that are not natural to their diet or their environment this can lead to malnourishment and nutrient deficiencies which is not ideal for these animals, as well as the increase of transmitting diseases as these deer are in a concentrated area.

BCCOS knows feeding deer is not illegal yet they encourage you to be mindful to clean your yard of food sources to discourage the deer from foraging.

Deer are healthiest in their natural environment.

If you have a concern with a deer and your property call the RAPP line at; Call 1-877-952-7277 (RAPP)

