



Regular Meeting of Council – April 7, 2025

Public persons are welcome to attend in person or via electronic means, zoom upon request.

Please note that when attending in-person, the meeting will be tape recorded.

We wish to acknowledge that this meeting is taking place on non-treaty traditional lands.

The Council of the Village of Midway agrees to uphold the Guiding Principles for Responsible Conduct as per Village of Midway's Policy No. 387

1. **Call to Order 19:00 Hours, Council Chambers 661 Eighth Ave., Midway BC**
2. **Introduction of Late Items**
3. **Adoption of Regular Meeting Agenda of April 7, 2025**
4. **Delegation**
 - a) Darrin McBee – Boundary Invasive Species Society
 - b) Kristina Anderson – RDKB, Watershed Planner
 - c) Jolly McMynn – Bike Track/Band Shell Committee
5. **Question Period**
6. **Adoption of Minutes**

Regular Meeting of March 17, 2025 (Page 6935 – 6936)
7. **Business Arising**

Regular Meeting of March 17, 2025 (Page 6935 – 6936)
8. **New and Unfinished Business**
 - a) Staff Report – REDIP grant unused funds – Campground expansion Business Plan
 - b) Staff Report – Accessibility Advisory Committee 2025 budget request
9. **Correspondence**
 - a) Brian Godlonton, Fire Commissioner – Apparatus Replacement Requirements
10. **Administrator's Report**
11. **Mayor and Council Reports**
12. **Question Period**
13. **Financial Report**
14. **Bylaws & Policies**
15. **Planning**
16. **Budgets/Accounts** – \$309,641.57
17. **Correspondence for Info Only**
 - a) Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs – Spring message from Assistant Deputy Minister Tara Faganello
18. **Correspondence for Info Only – to be held for two weeks only**
 - a) Regional District of Kootenay Boundary – Boundary Freshet Dashboard March 31st, 2025
 - b) Independent Contractors and Business Association – Protecting Taxpayers from Overspending on Local Government Construction
19. **In-Camera**
 - Section 90(1)(a) – personal information about an identifiable individual who hold or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality.
 - Section 90(1)(e) – acquisition, disposition of land or improvements
20. **Adjournment**

Mayor McMyynn opened the Regular Meeting of Council at 19:05 hours on **March 17, 2025**, Midway Council Chambers, 661 Eighth Ave., Midway, BC.

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Present: Mayor McMyynn
Councillors Dunsdon, Willsey, Pownall
Absent: Councillor Metcalf
Staff: Lisa Teggarty, CAO
Cam Kamigochi, Executive Assistant
Public: Martin Fromme, Jolly McMyynn

Introduction of Late Items - None

Adoption of Agenda

Moved/Seconded that the March 17, 2025, Regular Meeting agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Delegation

Question Period – None

Adoption of Minutes

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from Regular Meeting of February 24, 2025 (Page 6932– 6934) be adopted.

Carried

Jolly McMyynn arrives at 19:07 hours

Business Arising

Regular Meeting of February 24, 2025 (Page 6932 – 6934)

Page 6934 – Councillor Willsey asked if the Village is included in the RDKB's Animal Control service agreement? *Yes.*

New and Unfinished Business

- a) Bike Track/Band Shell – “Request for permission to create a committee”

Council discussed the options, Jolly McMyynn provided information on the details of the request. Before officially supporting the committee, Council requests the new committee decides on a name for themselves and provide more details regarding the Bike Track project. The topic will be brought back to the next regular meeting.

Jolly McMyynn leaves at 19:27 hours

- b) Staff Report – Interim Housing Needs Report

Moved/Seconded THAT Council receives the 2025 Interim Housing Needs report.

Carried

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Correspondence

- a) Owen Stewart, Greenpeaks Resource Management – Forestry Camp Facility Rental.

The request was discussed. After discussion, Council directed staff to draft a new lease agreement for review.

- b) Kettle River Museum – Budget Consideration

After discussion about the request, Council directed staff to include the request in the upcoming budget discussions.

Administrator's Report – Written

Important dates:

- April Regular Council meetings – April 7th & 28th
- Prima Health: Boundary Stakeholder Engagement meeting – Wednesday Apr 2nd @ 12:30-2:00pm at Grand Forks Art Gallery. *Councillor's Dunsdon & Willsey attending.*
- Budget meeting dates – April 2025 (To be confirmed)

- 1) Attended an informal meeting with Aerodrome consultant to discuss airport and helipad options.
- 2) Completed an annual forecast report related to funds received in 2022 & 2023 (\$95,082) from the Province of BC Local Government Climate Action Program. The funder has approved for the funds to be allocated to the Midway Community Hall project.
- 3) 2024 Year-end deadline is fast approaching. A review of 2024 actuals to budget variances and 2024 Year-end reconciliations are being completed.
- 4) Audit dates confirmed for week of 7th April 2025.
- 5) Midway Community Hall project update – Inside works relating to plumbing, electrical and HVAC are continuing. The general contractor has been purchasing construction items in advance of tariff increases. *There was discussion around tariff increase concerns.*
- 6) Planning – The 2025 Housing Assessment Needs report has been completed and is included under new business.
- 7) Emergency Management Act - Indigenous Engagement. RDKB will be setting up training for staff and elected officials in the Spring.

- 8) Arena - Public Works staff have been cleaning up the arena in preparation for Spring/Summer bookings. A request for use of the arena and camping area is included under new business.
- 9) A request for proposal (RFP) has been put on BC Bid for proposed Wildfire Risk Reduction Treatment, which is being funded by the UBCM CRI FireSmart grant funding.
- 10) Midway Accessibility Committee meeting to be held on March 31, 2025.

Mayor and Council Report

Councillor Pownall - Verbal

- Emergency Preparedness Fair is scheduled for Sunday April 6, 2025 at BCSS, 11-2pm. Midway Fire/Rescue will be there.

Councillor Dunsdon – Verbal

- RDKB budget is finished. Lots of 3% and 4% increases. RDKB completed a feasibility study on building a new office in Grand Forks, will not be a project moving forward this year.
- Thank you to Council for the three support letters approved at the last meeting.

Councillor Willsey – None

Mayor McMynn - None

Question Period

Martin Fromme asked if the Bike Track project has received Council approval in principle? *No*.

Financial Reports – None

Bylaws & Policies – None

Planning – None

Budgets/Accounts

Moved/Seconded that budgets and accounts totaling \$256,975.34 to be drawn on the general account and be paid. **Carried**

Correspondence for Info Only

Moved/Seconded the following Correspondence for Info only:

- a) Office of the Seniors Advocate – March 2025 Office of the Seniors Advocate Update
be rec'd and filed

Carried

Correspondence for Info Only – to be held for two weeks only

Moved/Seconded the following Correspondence for Info only – to be held for two weeks only

- a) Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship – Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin – March 1st, 2025
- b) Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities – Feedback Requested: Reforming the Local Government Act – A Roadmap

be rec'd and filed

Carried

Martin Fromme leaves at 19:58 hours

Adjournment

Moved to adjourned at 19:58 hours.

Mayor McMynn

CAO Teggarty



Staff Report – Item 8(a)

Date: April 2, 2025
To: Council
From: Chief Administrative Officer
Subject: REDIP grant unused funds – Campground expansion Business Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approves for the remaining balance of \$8,469.80 from the Province of BC REDIP grant funding to be allocated towards a Business Plan project for the proposed Campground expansion.

AND THAT Council will consider providing an additional budget for the Campground expansion Business Plan, during 2025 Budget deliberations.

ISSUE/PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on the remaining funds relating to the Boundary Region - Economic Diversification Plan project and seek approval to allocate the funds to the 2025 Budget for a Business Planning.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2023, the Village of Midway was successful in receiving grant funding of \$165,000 to complete a comprehensive Economic Diversification Plan for the Boundary Region and the Village of Midway, funded under the Province of British Columbia's REDIP grant program. The Economic Diversification Plan project was intended to be a multi-phase project and the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) as lead applicant is currently working on a grant application to apply for additional funding from the REDIP funding program. The funding is intended to support the request for additional staff resources to work on objectives from the Plan.

Staff have completed the final claim for the Phase 1. project and have been communicating with the grant funder. The funder has advised that the remaining balance of \$8,469.80 could be allocated to a similar project that would benefit the municipality. Staff initially considered bringing a recommendation to Council for airport planning, but from recent discussions Council has indicated that this project should be put on hold for now. The Campground expansion project is a project that has been discussed by the current Council and previous Council and aligns with the Village of Midway's Strategic Plan. The proposed campground expansion area is in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). The Village has already sought approval from the ALC Commission to remove the lands out of the ALR. The Commission has communicated to the Village that it would consider this proposal, but a Business Case must be obtained prior to approval.

FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS:

If approved, \$8,469.80 will be moved to the 2025 Operational Budget. Staff will be looking into an approximate cost to complete the Business Plan and will bring it to Budget deliberations for consideration.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:

- Economic Health

Tourism – Enrich our tourism offerings through strategic expansion projects, including our Village campground.

Date: April 3, 2025
To: Council
From: Chief Administrative Officer
Subject: Accessibility Advisory Committee 2025 Budget request

File No: 0640-30

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council consider a 2025 Capital budget request for the purchase and installation of automatic doors at the Village main office.

ISSUE/PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to present a recommendation from the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on March 31, 2025.

BACKGROUND:

At the end of 2023, the Village of Midway established an Accessibility Advisory Committee. Committee members include volunteers from the community, two Council representatives and village staff. The Committee meets four times a year and helps identify accessibility barriers in the vicinity of the Village of Midway and acts as an Advisory Committee to Council. In 2023, the Village was successful in receiving \$25,000 in grant funding from SparcBC for accessibility improvements. The main scope of the grant was the installation of power-operated doors at the library building. The Committee have expressed that this change is truly beneficial to residents and visitors.

At the March 31, 2025 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting under new business the Committee were provided with an update on the 2024 Accessibility projects and projects that will carry over into 2025. The Community Hall accessibility project will be continuing into 2025. Further discussion on 2025 plans resumed and staff members discussed the need for automatic doors in the Village office. During the meeting Committee members approved through the minutes to present a recommendation to Council for the purchase and installation of automatic doors at the Village offices.

FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS:

2025 Capital Plan budget request. Grant funding would be the preferred option to fund the project due to budget constraints. Staff will obtain quotes for purchase and installation and present them to Council during 2025 Budget deliberations.

GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS:

The Accessible British Columbia Regulation, which came into effect on September 1, 2022, required organizations listed in the regulation to meet the requirements of Part 3 of the Accessible British Columbia Act. Under the Accessible British Columbia Act, municipalities must establish an accessibility committee, develop an accessibility plan, and create a system for receiving public feedback on accessibility. The plan must be reviewed and updated every 3 years.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:

- Quality of Life

Accessibility – Enhance community accessibility, we bridge the gap between people with safe and inclusive solutions for every demographic.



Office of the
Fire Commissioner



D. McMynn
Village of Midway Mayor
PO Box 160
Midway BC
V0H 1M0
Email: midwaybc@shaw.ca

Dear Mayor McMynn:

Re: Apparatus Replacement Requirements

Thank you for your letter of February 18, 2025, regarding the fire apparatus replacement requirements established by the Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS).

I understand that FUS requirements can be financially challenging for local governments, and it is sometimes difficult to engage directly with FUS staff. For those reasons, the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) has met with the Insurance Bureau of Canada and Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) to discuss FUS requirements.

Reiko Tagami, Policy Analyst, UBCM monitors the requirements established by the FUS and the challenges experienced by local authorities in BC attempting to meet them. Reiko may be able to offer some guidance regarding your request to have more direct access to FUS; they can be reached at rtagami@ubcm.ca.

While you may have already seen this document, I wanted to share FUS' technical bulletin "Insurance Grading Recognition of Used or Rebuilt Fire Apparatus" available here: <https://fireunderwriters.ca/Downloads>. This document outlines options and steps that a community can take to extend the certified life span of a fire apparatus to 30 years.

Thank you for taking the time to contact me.

Sincerely,

Brian Godlonton
Fire Commissioner

pc: Reiko Tagami, Policy Analyst, UBCM



CAO Report to Council

Date: April 7, 2025

File No: 0640-40

Important dates:

- **6th Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair- April 6th 11am – 2pm at Boundary Secondary School**
- **Next Regular Council meetings – April 28th and May 20th (Tuesday)**
- **Prima Health: Boundary Stakeholder Engagement meeting – *Postponed***
- **Budget meeting dates – to be discussed**

- 1) The 2024 audit was brought forward by one week. Auditors were on site April 1-3rd 2025.
- 2) Presentation of the 2024 Financial Statements is scheduled for April 28th at the Regular Council.
- 3) Tentative Special Budget meeting dates:
 - Tuesday April 29th or Wednesday 30th for the Budget Presentation (Regular Council meeting - April 28th)
 - Week of May 5th and May 12th for Special Budget meetings.
 - Financial Plan Bylaw must be adopted by May 14th, 2025.
- 4) Midway Community Hall project update – Inside works relating to plumbing, electrical and HVAC are continuing. The Village's architect attended the site at the end of March to review excavation work, lower floor slab openings for underground plumbing and new mechanical ducting openings. There are a couple of items that will require change orders, further discussion at the Council meeting.
- 5) Met with Dan McMaster and Fire Chief Kortmeyer regarding the disc golf course. A request for proposal (RFP) has been put on BC Bid for proposed Wildfire Risk Reduction Treatment. Dan will be invited to attend upcoming onsite meetings relating to the Wildfire Risk Reduction Treatment in the vicinity of the Midway disc golf course.
- 6) Midway Accessibility Committee meeting was held on March 31, 2025. Staff report in new business, for 2025 Capital budget request from the Committee.
- 7) Property Taxes 2025 - The revised roll from BC Assessment has been received and the next step is for the assessments to be uploaded to Muniware, prior to preparing the tax calculation.
- 8) Deputy Corporate position posting closes on April 11, 2025.
- 9) Planning and Development – ongoing communication with Developer and Project Managers.
- 10) Public Works staff are working on Spring clean-up In the Village and getting the campground ready for opening.



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| 20250134 | 2025-03-20 | DOANE GRANT THORNTON LLP | IBC-56943 | INTERIM BILLING #2, AUDIT FOR YE | 9,156.00 | 9,156.00 |
| 20250135 | 2025-03-20 | MINISTER OF FINANCE | 2021802 | STREET LIGHT COST SHARING JAN- | 110.52 | 110.52 |
| 20250136 | 2025-03-20 | PICKERING SAFETY | 163192 | FIRE DEPT/RURAL - 2X EYE WASH S | 136.24 | 136.24 |
| 20250137 | 2025-03-20 | SHADOW CREEK PROPERTIES LTD | 336071 | LANDFILL BURNING | 1,882.23 | 1,882.23 |
| 20250138 | 2025-03-20 | TELUS MOBILITY | P/W MAR-APR/25 | PUBLIC WORKS CELL PHONES | 245.28 | 245.28 |
| 20250139 | 2025-03-27 | 12773350 CANADA INC, DBA CROWSNEST ENGINEER | MIDWAY-2025-00 | COMM CENTRE UPGRADE - GEOTEI | 2,478.00 | 2,478.00 |
| 20250140 | 2025-03-27 | BOSOVICH, BILL | APR 2025 | RURAL FIRE TRUCK STORAGE APRI | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 20250141 | 2025-03-27 | BROGAN FIRE & SAFETY | 30215947 | FIRE DEPT/RURAL - BALACLAVAS | 1,416.80 | 1,416.80 |
| 20250142 | 2025-03-27 | INSURANCE CORPORATION OF BC | 2K.UYT MAR27/25 2K.UZ5 MAR27/25 9Q.VPZ MAR27/25 AJ.BRX MAR27/25 | NON-OWNED VEHICLE LIABILITY SPECIAL EXCESS TPL FIRE DEPT/RURAL - ATV OFF HIGHW 2 DAY T.O.P FOR STREET SWEEPER | 30.00 30.00 136.00 73.00 | 269.00 |
| 20250143 | 2025-03-27 | MUNICIPAL PENSION PLAN | 20250315 | MPP CONTRIBUTIONS, PAY PERIOD | 5,333.56 | 5,333.56 |
| 20250144 | 2025-03-27 | PACIFIC BLUE CROSS | 1658620 | APRIL 2025 PREMIUMS | 3,946.28 | 3,946.28 |
| 20250145 | 2025-03-27 | Y & R WATER SALES & SERVICES | INV-09965 INV-09973 | COMM GARDEN - PRESSURE REGUI COMM GARDEN - 3/4 X 2 NIPPLE TBI | 125.44 24.19 | 149.63 |
| 20250146 | 2025-04-03 | BBFD | 1232004 1236921 1236922 | PW EQUIP - 4 CYCLE FUEL EMERGENCY SERVICES FUEL EXPE PUBLIC WORKS FUEL EXPENSES MI | 64.85 142.02 683.47 | 890.34 |
| 20250147 | 2025-04-03 | BLACK PRESS GROUP LTD | BPI274867 | DEPUTY CORPORATE JOB AD | 586.79 | 586.79 |
| 20250148 | 2025-04-03 | CHINA CREEK INTERNET | 508602 | KV SAT HALL INTERNET APRIL 2025 | 39.15 | 39.15 |
| 20250149 | 2025-04-03 | FORTISBC-ELECTRICITY | JAN27-APR1/25 | POWER FROM JAN 27 - APR 1/25 | 9,632.11 | 9,632.11 |
| 20250150 | 2025-04-03 | GRANTON MOTORS LTD | 98493 98578 98623 | ROAD RESCUE - E332 MAINTENANC PW EQUIP - KUBOTA MAINTENANCE RURAL FIRE - T331 MAINTENANCE | 769.02 311.24 116.20 | 1,196.46 |
| 20250151 | 2025-04-03 | ICONIX WATERWORKS LTD | C2516015751 | WATER SYSTEM - WORKS YARD LEA | 1,110.85 | 1,110.85 |
| 20250152 | 2025-04-03 | LORDCO AUTO PARTS | MAR 2025 | MARCH 2025 PURCHASES | 169.32 | 169.32 |
| 20250153 | 2025-04-03 | MCMYNN'S BUILDING CENTRE | MAR 2025 | MARCH 2025 PURCHASES | 812.85 | 812.85 |
| 20250154 | 2025-04-03 | SHADOW CREEK PROPERTIES LTD | 336085 336125 | PW EQUIP - VAC TRUCK INSPECTIO PW EQUIP - PLOW TRUCK INSPECTI | 315.00 504.00 | 819.00 |
| 20250155 | 2025-04-03 | SHAW CABLE | MAY 2025 | INTERNET FOR MAY 2025 | 557.71 | 557.71 |
| 20250156 | 2025-04-03 | WORKSAFE BC | JAN-MAR 2025 | WCB JAN-MAR 2025 | 4,627.66 | 4,627.66 |
| 20250157 | 2025-04-03 | Y & R WATER SALES & SERVICES | INV-09991 | COMM GARDEN - PEX SUPPLIES | 87.01 | 87.01 |
| 184 | 2025-03-17 | RIDDLE, CATHY | | | | |
| 185 | 2025-03-17 | BOLTZ, JOHN M | | | | |
| 186 | 2025-03-17 | WALKER, LESLIE | | | | |
| 187 | 2025-03-17 | CAMERON, PHIL | | | | |
| 188 | 2025-03-17 | DARADICS, MELISSA | | | | |
| 189 | 2025-03-17 | KAMIGOCHI, CAMERON | | | | |
| 190 | 2025-03-17 | LOVETT, TAMARA N | | | | |

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| 193 | 2025-03-17 | TEGGARTY, LISA M | | | | |
| 194 | 2025-03-17 | COTE, DAVID | | | | |
| 195 | 2025-03-17 | KLEINHEMPEL, KERSTIN | | | | |
| 196 | 2025-03-17 | KORTMEYER, COREY J | | | | |
| 197 | 2025-03-20 | A.C.E. COURIER SERVICES | 12412367 18184749 | FIRE DEPT/RURAL - CERTIFIED ENS FIRE DEPT/RURAL - TO CERTIFIED E | 33.57 49.94 | 83.51 |
| 198 | 2025-03-20 | AMAZON.COM.CA ULC | CA52BVKPNPZI CA5DBFL4FQMW CA5NRWJ4ACCU CA5NX5K4ACCU | OFFICE - METALLIC GARLAND, PAR OFFICE - IPHONE 11 CASE OFFICE - MINI POST IT NOTES RISK MGMT - OH&S CORK BOARD | 10.63 17.91 25.09 75.12 | 128.75 |
| 199 | 2025-03-20 | CARO ANALYTICAL SERVICES | IC2503860 IC2504276 IC2504506 | FEBRUARY 25 WATER TEST FEBRUARY 25 UV DISCHARGE MARCH 4 WATER TEST | 202.13 324.98 202.13 | 729.24 |
| 200 | 2025-03-20 | COVER ARCHITECTURAL COLLABORATIVE INC | 3373 | COMMUNITY HALL UPGRADE THROI | 4,317.05 | 4,317.05 |
| 201 | 2025-03-20 | DUNSDON, RICHARD | FEB 15/25 | COMM GARDEN - DUBOIS, BLACK BI | 731.85 | 731.85 |
| 202 | 2025-03-20 | NORTH MOUNTAIN CONSTRUCTION LTD | 1492*3 | COMMUNITY CENTRE RENOVATION | 194,670.00 | 194,670.00 |
| 203 | 2025-03-20 | REGIONAL DISTRICT, KOOTENAY BOUNDARY | 58685 58755 | FEBRUARY 2025 LANDFILL FEES SEWER DEBT INTEREST PAYMENT, | 48.60 751.66 | 800.26 |
| 204 | 2025-03-20 | ROCKY MOUNTAIN PHOENIX | IN0150486 | FIRE DEPT/RURAL - 2X FRONT STD | 179.20 | 179.20 |
| 205 | 2025-03-20 | UNION OF BC MUNICIPALITIES | D-5997 | 2025 UBCM ANNUAL DUES | 745.50 | 745.50 |
| 206 | 2025-03-20 | WFR WHOLESALE FIRE & RESCUE LTD | INV/2025/0861 | FIRE DEPT/RURAL - SAFETY VESTS | 616.60 | 616.60 |
| 207 | 2025-03-28 | POWNALL, AARON K | | | | |
| 208 | 2025-03-28 | METCALF, DARRIN | | | | |
| 209 | 2025-03-28 | DUNSDON, RICHARD | | | | |
| 210 | 2025-03-28 | MCMYNN, DOUGLAS C | | | | |
| 211 | 2025-03-28 | WILLSEY, JUDITH A | | | | |
| 212 | 2025-03-31 | RIDDLE, CATHY | | | | |
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| 224 | 2025-03-31 | KORTMEYER, COREY J | | | | |
| 225 | 2025-04-03 | BEST SECURITY OKANAGAN | 126311 | PARK WASHROOMS - APR 1 - JUN 30 | 141.59 | 141.59 |
| 226 | 2025-04-03 | COLLYER, STEVEN | 0004 | SUBDIVISION, HOUSING PROJECT | 160.00 | 160.00 |



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| 228 | 2025-04-03 | EMCO WATERWORKS | 871253000288 | HYDRANT PARTS | 1,370.38 | 1,370.38 |
| 229 | 2025-04-03 | FREEMAN'S COUNTRY SUPPLY | MAR 2025 | MARCH 2025 PURCHASES | 420.00 | 420.00 |
| 230 | 2025-04-03 | LOOMIS EXPRESS | 11278619 | WATER SYSTEM - EMCO/FOURSTAR | 146.93 | 146.93 |
| 231 | 2025-04-03 | SHKRABUIK, THOMAS RANDOLPH | MAR 2025 | COMPUTER MAINTENANCE MARCH | 3,737.50 | 3,737.50 |
| 232 | 2025-04-03 | WOOD WYANT INC. | 402435 407896 | ARENA - FLOOD PADS RETURNED, INCORRECT PART, ARE | 161.00 (111.72) | 49.28 |

Total 309,641.57

*** End of Report ***

Lisa

Subject: Spring message from Assistant Deputy Minister Tara Faganello
Date: Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 1:05:00 PM Pacific Daylight Saving Time
From: Gray, Stephanie 1 MUNI:EX
To: Gray, Stephanie 1 MUNI:EX
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Good afternoon, colleagues

I'd like to take a moment to reflect on 2024 and to offer my sincerest thanks for continuing the important work in your communities to deliver on the priorities of British Columbians. I continue to be grateful for our partnerships as we work toward our shared goal of building stronger communities.

Since the fall of 2024, we have been committed to the transition of a newly formed Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs. This new Ministry presents a great opportunity to improve the lives of people in our communities as we continue to support local governments by delivering programs and services, in particular housing and related infrastructure, that are key to vibrant, well-governed communities. Our new Ministry and Minister Kahlon retain responsibility for all of the local government related legislation and our team in Local Government Division remain available to you and your staff.

This reunion of Housing and Municipal Affairs aligns nicely with the work we're doing to support government's goals of working with municipalities and the interconnections between infrastructure and housing. The teams from Housing and Municipal Affairs are no strangers to one another; their responsibilities have been embedded in past Cabinet structures, and these teams have been focused on a productive exchange of knowledge and information about housing priorities and local government matters.

Part of our LGD team was moved to support the Honourable Brittny Anderson in her new role as Minister of State for Local Government and Rural Communities in the Office of the Premier. This role will allow for more focus on the distinct challenges faced by rural and remote communities and provide a direct link for UBCM into the Premier's office.

The rest of our LGD program areas remain intact and our relationships with the local governments will not change.

Additionally, a few highlights of 2024 include

- involvement in 13 Environmental Assessment projects and focusing on the impacts of associated environmental, economic, social, cultural and health effects and adverse cumulative effects from the projects on the direct and surrounding communities;
- supporting two new legislative items that expand categories for which development cost charges can be collected and enable the collection of amenity cost charges and leading the development of the interim guidance materials for these new changes;
- review of 264 bylaws for Inspector approval;
- actively worked with five municipal advisors for local governments facing exceptional governance challenges;
- working through research and policy questions on Inclusive Regional Governance, and leading external engagement with five regional districts, respective First Nations, and consultants, which is expected to culminate in a historic evolution to our regional district system—enabling First Nations to sit at the Board table alongside Municipal, Electoral Area, and treaty First Nation members while leaving the foundational regional district system components in place—especially the regional district finance system;
- continuing to work through project issues to address cost increases and other challenges for communities, as well as implementing the administration of Critical Community Infrastructure grants from last March, with more than 450 approved projects under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program;
- working on negotiations with the federal government on the Canada Community-Building Fund and the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund;
- securing \$50 million to deliver a pilot project for water meters, through Budget 2024, to assess the feasibility and effectiveness of universal water metering to assist communities in addressing drought impacts;
- added Land Use, Planning, and Regional Impacts as the newest branch, which has come with mature skills and resources and has developed its identity and advanced from the initial leadership team of three to a full team;
- increased interest and support with three new Regional Growth Strategies initiated by Land Use, Planning, and Regional Impacts branch (Peace River Regional District, Cowichan Valley Regional District, and Regional District of the Central Kootenays);
- releasing two guidance documents for public libraries: AGM Basics for Public Library Associations and [Privacy Guidelines and Workshops](#), which will support improved governance of the public library system and increase protection of library users' privacy;
- creating a new template for reporting on the use of the Library Enhancements funding, which enables them to tell provincial, regional, and local success stories through improved information gathering; and
- refreshed the strategic plan for public libraries, which continue to respond to gaps in communities.

Additionally, in fall 2023, B.C. introduced amendments to the *Local Government Act* and *Vancouver Charter* to enable local governments to deliver housing faster, supporting the delivery of more homes for British Columbians. To assist local governments in implementing these changes, a series of new or updated guidance documents are being released this month. These guides cover Tenant Protection Bylaws, Inclusionary Zoning and Density Bonusing, Amenity Cost Charges, Development Cost Charges, Pro-active Planning, Works and Services, Land for Transportation, and Transportation Demand Management.

For information about how the Province is responding to U.S. tariffs, please visit <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/tariffs>.

Speaking directly with you about your communities is an essential part of our collaborative work. I have enjoyed visiting many of your communities over the past year and I always appreciate the opportunities to connect at in-person events. Our collaborative efforts will continue to have positive impacts on communities throughout BC. It is important orders of government work collaboratively together and we have that focus at the staff level.

I am deeply thankful for everything you do, and will do, for your community. From everyone in the Local Government Division at the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs, we wish you and your communities all the best for a very happy and healthy 2025.

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Boundary Freshet Dashboard

March 31st, 2025

This dashboard is created for information purposes only and is not meant to be utilized as a forecasting tool. The information provided on this report is derived from real time data noted below. Data is current to the date of the report. Click on the [blue hyperlinked text](#) below to access source data.

SNOWPACK - Grano Creek Station Data

Snow Water Equivalent

544 mm ↗

% of Normal

| Current | Previous year * |
|---------|-----------------|
| 108% | 87% |

Max & Min Temperatures

| 7 Day Max | 7 Day Min |
|-----------|-----------|
| 12°C | -7°C |

Boundary Basin % of Normal – [March 1st Snowpack Water Supply Bulletin](#)

| | Jan 1 | Feb 1 | Mar 1 | April 1 | May 1 | May 15 | June 1 | June 15 |
|-----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|-------|--------|--------|---------|
| % of Norm | 115(58)* | 89(115)* | 86(89)* | | | | | |

*Previous Year Data

WEATHER

5 Day Forecast Temps (Alpine) -Grano Snow Pillow

| | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th | 5 th |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Max | 3.5°C | 3.6°C | 1°C | 5°C | 9°C |
| Min | -3°C | -4°C | -5°C | -8°C | -6°C |
| Precp. | 1 cm | n/a | 3 cm | n/a | n/a |

5 Day Forecast Temps (Valley) – Grand Forks

| | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th | 5 th |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Max | 12°C | 13°C | 11°C | 14°C | 18°C |
| Min | 1°C | 3°C | -1°C | -1°C | 2°C |
| Precp. | 2mm | 5mm | n/a | n/a | n/a |

STREAMS

| Name | Prev. 7 Day Trend | Next 7 Day Trend | Avg. Discharge (3 Days) |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| W. Kettle River near McCullough | ↗ | n/c | 3.1 m3 /s |
| W. Kettle River @ Westbridge | ↗ | n/c | 28.5 m3 /s |
| Kettle River near Westbridge | ↗ | n/c | 51.6 m3 /s |
| Kettle River near Ferry | ↗ | n/c | 115.19 m3 /s |
| Granby River near Grand Forks | ↗ | n/c | 96.8 m3 /s |
| Kettle River @ Laurier | ↗ | n/c | 186.8 m3 /s |

MORE INFORMATION

- Stream Flow Advisories – No Current Advisories
- RDKB Flood Response Plan Stage – Not activated
- The new Prepared BC Flood Preparedness Guide is a must-read for anyone facing a potential flood.



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January 7, 2025

RE: Protecting Taxpayers from Overspending on Local Government Construction

Dear Mayor and Council:

The Independent Contractors and Businesses Association (ICBA) is Canada's largest construction association and a leading industry organization in British Columbia, with more than 4,500 member and client companies. ICBA's B.C. corporate members account for approximately 85% of the province's construction sector – representing more than 190,000 jobs. Construction itself is one of the biggest B.C. industries, directly generating almost 8% of GDP. ICBA also owns and manages a rapidly growing employee health and dental benefits business which currently supports more than 300,000 Canadians.

Apart from advocating for the interests of construction companies and contractors, ICBA is a principled voice for free enterprise and the benefits of a competitive, market-based economy. Unlike many other business associations, ICBA receives no funding from governments at any level. We believe that competition and choice for consumers and taxpayers is by far the best way to deliver value-for-money and create the conditions for a thriving economy.

ICBA is writing to you and other B.C. local government bodies to share our views on the topic of public sector procurement. At a time when large numbers of British Columbians are facing affordability challenges, many small and mid-sized businesses are struggling to survive, and the B.C. government is running record budget deficits, we believe it is **important for municipal leaders to commit to open, fair and transparent procurement practices** across all domains of local and regional government activity. This includes the regular purchase of goods and services to operate local government as well as procurement that is tied to capital spending and the development and maintenance of infrastructure assets.

When municipalities pay for goods, services and capital projects, they do so on behalf of all taxpayers in the community. **Municipal policymakers have an obligation to adopt prudent fiscal policies and to ensure the best possible value-for-money when expending taxpayer dollars. Competitive procurement policies are a vital part of delivering on this fundamental obligation.**

Across Canada, local government expenses amounted to \$220 billion in 2022, with the main components of expenditures consisting of purchases of goods and services, employee compensation, subsidies and grants, interest payments on debt, and the depreciation of fixed capital (Statistics Canada, Table 10-10-0015-01). In the same year, total local government revenues were \$225 billion, of which the largest shares were grants/payments from other levels of government and revenues derived from taxes on property.

In the past few years, the B.C. government has undertaken a significant fraction of its capital projects under the "Community Benefits Agreement" (CBA) framework adopted in 2018. Under this policy, a provincial Crown Corporation (British Columbia Infrastructure Benefits Inc. – BCIB) contracts for the employees required to build certain public sector infrastructure and other capital projects. It does so through an agreement with a group of 19 trade unions that are part of the broader Building Trades Union (BTU) alliance. All employees working on CBA projects must be (or become) members of an affiliated BTU.

This very unusual arrangement dilutes the important relationship that exists between an employer and its employees across the rest of the B.C. private sector.

The province's CBA policy has the effect of **restricting bidding on projects covered by the scheme**. This is especially problematic given that about 85% of the people working in the B.C. construction industry are not BTU members nor employed by contractors which are covered by BTU collective agreements. **Fewer bidders means less pressure to ensure competitive costs and excellence in project delivery**. Many ICBA members will not bid on public sector projects covered CBAs because of the extra bureaucracy and administrative complexity involved and also because they do not wish to give up control and management oversight of their own workforce – as is the normal practice in Canadian business.

As demonstrated by academic research, **restricted bidding translates into higher costs for taxpayers** and the users of infrastructure services established via CBA-type arrangements.¹ Cost over-runs and unexpected delays are a common theme with CBA projects.² The net result is hundreds of millions of dollars of additional costs imposed on the B.C. taxpayers and delays in project delivery.

It is sometimes argued that restrictive tendering policies like CBAs are necessary to support local hires, apprenticeships, and pensions. In a labour shortage like B.C. construction is facing, our companies do everything they can to hire and keep local workers. ICBA is the single largest sponsor of trades apprentices in British Columbia, and open shop contractors train 82% of all apprentices in the province. When it comes to financial security, ICBA contractors and their employees utilize RRSPs, bonus programs, and profit-sharing initiatives, providing flexible and effective solutions tailored to their workforce, rather than being restricted to union-controlled pension plans.

For local governments, the lesson from B.C.'s failed experiment with CBAs is clear. **Municipal and regional government projects should be developed and managed using open, competitive procurement**. Restrictive tendering should be avoided in all areas of local government activity – capital projects, but also the day-to-day procurement of goods and services. Municipalities should not discriminate against B.C. businesses and their employees based on factors such as particular union affiliations.

If you have any questions or wish to engage ICBA in a conversation on this, or any, construction issue, please feel free to contact me directly at chris@icba.ca.

Sincerely,

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS AND BUSINESSES ASSOCIATION



Chris Gardner

President and CEO, ICBA

¹ Brian Dijkema and Morley Gunderson, Restrictive Tendering: Protection for Whom?" January 2017, CARDUS.

² Renze Nauta, "Benefits for Whom? Assessing British Columbia's Community Benefits Agreements," CARDUS September 2024.