



## **Next Council Meeting**

Monday, August 11, 2025

Monday, September 8, 2025

### **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, August 7 2025

Thursday, September 4, 2025

### **Contact the Council**

Mayor McMynn:

dmcmynn.midwaybc@shaw.ca

### **ICBC & Motor Vehicles**

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

### **Tree Recycling Facility**

**Is open for the 2025 season.**

**Branches or bushes that have been pruned must have a diameter of 6" or less.**

**Canada Day** - We received numerous compliments regarding the Canada Day events. The Village would like to thank the organizing committee and everyone involved who made the day a huge success. Thank you to the Midway Fire/Rescue Department for the pancake breakfast and the awesome fireworks. Thank you to the Midway Spray Park Committee for serving dinner and refreshments. Thank you to the volunteers at the Bridge for lunch. Thank you to the organizers and participants of the parade. Thank you to Rockin' Ronnie Nociar for the entertainment in the park. Lastly, thank you to everyone who came to enjoy the day!

**MLA and Minister visit** - Minister of State for Local Governments and Rural Communities of BC Brittny Anderson, Parliamentary Secretary MLA Steve Morrisette, Executive Advisor Evan Brown, Regional Manager Larry Olson (Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Innovation), and Ministerial Advisor Edena Brown met with Mayor McMynn, Councillors Dunsdon and Willsey and CAO Lisa Teggarty on July 7th. They were given



a tour of the new Spray Park facility and viewed the construction site at the Community Centre. Topics discussed were medical health, the economy, the Fortis PSPS and the Senior Housing project.

**Council Meeting Date Change** - The Regular Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday September 2, 2025 will be moved to Monday September 8, 2025.



## Landfill Hours of Operation

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

## 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/](http://www.midwaybc.ca/minutes-newsletters/)

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

**Water Restrictions** - Residents are reminded that watering restrictions are always in effect per Bylaw No. 413 and that sprinkling (irrigating) lawns and gardens between the hours of 10:00 am and 6:00 pm is prohibited. On your own well? Remember that all Village water comes from the same aquifer and your use also contributes to the lower water levels. The Village's well is deeper than private, individual ones, so they will run out before the Village's.

**Hoary Alyssum** - Hoary Alyssum is an aggressive invasive weed that threatens native ecosystems, pastures, and the health of grazing animals-especially horses. Its white flowers may look harmless, but this plant spreads rapidly and can be toxic. Help protect against the spread by learning to identify and remove hoary alyssum before it takes hold. Follow this link for more information: <https://bcinvasives.ca/invasives/hoary-alyssum/>  
Reminder that maintenance of boulevards and alleys are the responsibility of the property owner.



**Spray Park Washrooms** - The Village discourages the use of the choke cherries as sidewalk chalk. They leave quite a deep stain in the concrete that takes a long time to fade. Unfortunately, it has also led to the building being stained as well. If you are using the washrooms, please treat them with respect. We are proud to offer this facility, through generous grant funding and we are not looking to replace it for a long time. Thank you for your cooperation.



**Midway Spray Park** - On Friday August 15 at 10am, we will be hosting an official naming and recognition ceremony. More details will be posted on our website and Facebook page when they become available.

## FortisBC Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)

The Village of Midway Council and the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) Directors have requested clarification about the PSPS Policy. Concerns regarding communication with stakeholders and community partners were raised, leading to a formal complaint submitted to the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) on May 7, 2025. In relation to this, the RDKB, the Village of Midway, and City of Greenwood each submitted letters to BCUC detailing their concerns. At the Regular Council meeting on June 9, 2025, representatives from FortisBC attended to respond to questions from the Village of Midway Council. FortisBC indicated that the policy would be used only as a last resort to maintain community safety and prevent wildfires. The PSPS protocol identifies two primary extreme weather metrics with specific thresholds that must be met concurrently to trigger the PSPS process:

1. Sustained wind speeds greater than 75 km/hour, and
2. A Fire Weather Index (FWI) above 47.

On June 23, 2025 FortisBC announced that FortisBC Inc. (FortisBC) had received the British Columbia Utilities Commission's (BCUC) decision that finds FortisBC's Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) policy to be consistent with its Electric Tariff.

The BCUC's findings have highlighted the importance of ongoing engagement with communities and affected parties. Feedback from customers, Indigenous groups, local and provincial governments, and community partners will continue to be considered in future actions. The organization will proceed with dialogue and collaboration with local emergency planning and community partners to support community preparedness.

Maintaining safe and reliable power service for customers remains a central objective. The PSPS policy is designed to be a temporary, last-resort preventive approach that may be used when necessary to reduce wildfire risk and protect people and communities.

The Village of Midway and neighbouring communities will continue to engage and communicate with FortisBC on this subject matter.