

INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE – NOVEMBER 13, 2018

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| 11. | M. Arnold, MP North Okanagan-Shuswap – letter dated November 2, 2018 – Congratulations | N |
| 12. | K. LeNoury, Assessor, Thompson Okanagan – letter dated November 6, 2018 – Congratulations | N |
| 13. | M. LoVecchio, Director of Government Affairs, Canadian Pacific – email dated October 26, 2018 – Update on Wetdown Facility | N |
| 14. | M. Luczi, Executive Officer, Canadian Home Builders' Association Central Okanagan – Congratulations from CHBA CO | N |
| 15. | S. Yurkovich, President and CEO, BC Council of Forest Industries – letter dated October 25, 2018 – Congratulations on your Election | N |
| 16. | Safe Drinking Water Team – email dated October 30, 2018 – It is with heavy hearts that we inform you of the passing of Dr. Hans Peterson | N |
| 17. | J. Townsend, Mayor of Valemount to UBCM – letter dated October 3, 2018 – UBCM donation to charities in lieu of gifts for guest speakers | N |
| 18. | S. Adams, Chair, Open for Business Awards Committee – email dated October 2, 2018 – Open for Business Awards: Nomination period now open | N |

N = No Action Required
A = Action Requested

S = Staff has Responded
R = Response Required



**CITY OF SALMON ARM
BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT
OCTOBER 2018**

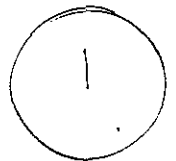
LAST YEAR (2017)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE

CURRENT YEAR (2018)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE

| | | NO. | VALUE | NO. | VALUE | NO. | VALUE | NO. | VALUE |
|----|---------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|-------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|-------------------|
| 1 | New Single Family Dwellings | 19 | 5,504,200 | 119 | 35,908,825 | 10 | 2,980,000 | 104 | 32,796,999 |
| 2 | Misc. Additions etc. to SFD's | 16 | 434,335 | 118 | 4,411,408 | 14 | 608,365 | 103 | 3,759,229 |
| 3 | New Modulars/MH's (Factory Built) | - | - | 16 | 2,595,000 | 1 | 145,000 | 8 | 1,600,000 |
| 4 | Misc. Additions etc. to Modulars/MH's | 1 | 10,000 | 15 | 166,435 | 1 | 10,000 | 7 | 85,155 |
| 5 | MFD's (# Units) | - | - | 4 (16) | 3,418,000 | - | - | 9 (33) | 6,400,000 |
| 6 | Misc. Additions etc. to MFD's | 1 | 19,000 | 2 | 21,000 | 1 | 30,000 | 2 | 31,500 |
| 7 | New Commercial | 1 | 285,000 | 6 | 825,000 | - | - | 2 | 10,745,000 |
| 8 | Misc. Additions etc. to Commercial | - | - | 18 | 984,900 | 2 | 100,000 | 17 | 1,141,223 |
| 9 | New Industrial | 1 | 230,000 | 3 | 380,433 | 2 | 72,000 | 7 | 617,000 |
| 10 | Misc. Additions etc. to Industrial | - | - | 2 | 14,500 | - | - | 4 | 2,067,000 |
| 11 | New Institutional | 1 | 1,200,000 | 2 | 10,900,000 | - | - | 1 | 100,000 |
| 12 | Misc. Additions etc. to Institutional | 1 | 6,000 | 5 | 35,200 | - | - | 5 | 137,000 |
| 13 | Signs | 4 | 39,781 | 33 | 112,841 | - | - | 28 | 114,474 |
| 14 | Swimming Pools, Pool Buildings | - | - | 2 | 85,000 | - | - | 1 | 40,000 |
| 15 | Demolitions | 2 | - | 16 | - | 4 | - | 9 | - |
| 16 | Temporary Trailers, A & B Permits | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | 5 | - |
| 17 | Misc. Special Inspections, etc. | 3 | - | 20 | - | 5 | - | 16 | - |
| | TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED | 50 | 7,728,316 | 383 | 59,858,542 | 40 | 3,945,365 | 328 | 59,634,580 |

MFD's - Apartment, Row, Duplex, Strata (# of dwelling units created)

Farm building values not included



| BUILDING PERMITS - YEARLY | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUNE | JULY | AUG | SEPT | OCT | NOV | DEC |
| 2001 | 585,500 | 11,938,550 | 12,265,250 | 12,842,790 | 13,534,790 | 14,712,550 | 16,330,650 | 17,717,625 | 19,031,075 | 19,895,255 | 21,318,855 | 21,458,195 |
| 2002 | 585,500 | 1,952,500 | 3,340,850 | 3,821,240 | 5,455,840 | 6,411,690 | 8,844,690 | 10,932,510 | 15,780,890 | 16,705,600 | 17,738,200 | 17,923,700 |
| 2003 | 130,110 | 920,780 | 2,974,020 | 4,486,120 | 5,993,320 | 13,294,120 | 15,555,250 | 17,937,005 | 20,318,920 | 22,000,340 | 24,005,740 | 24,782,360 |
| 2004 | 430,700 | 1,506,500 | 5,903,780 | 8,379,104 | 10,122,768 | 12,086,319 | 14,779,343 | 21,598,763 | 30,371,023 | 33,614,173 | 34,957,458 | 35,881,343 |
| 2005 | 1,072,000 | 2,269,650 | 4,344,750 | 6,806,152 | 12,110,482 | 28,031,457 | 29,985,585 | 34,743,645 | 37,600,445 | 42,915,856 | 45,525,611 | 47,576,746 |
| 2006 | 815,550 | 3,224,468 | 8,012,449 | 11,501,929 | 16,084,809 | 20,066,533 | 23,714,194 | 26,370,890 | 36,479,806 | 37,278,358 | 42,332,995 | 43,077,170 |
| 2007 | 1,531,087 | 3,901,669 | 16,148,674 | 22,413,118 | 27,232,134 | 32,401,472 | 35,657,297 | 42,829,750 | 51,945,799 | 55,703,387 | 65,885,802 | 66,289,555 |
| 2008 | 1,797,604 | 4,203,429 | 12,947,058 | 27,647,379 | 33,857,533 | 36,582,025 | 39,759,375 | 42,395,454 | 45,412,474 | 50,699,301 | 53,383,541 | 53,522,880 |
| 2009 | 409,369 | 864,839 | 2,039,460 | 5,207,311 | 6,763,615 | 7,800,085 | 9,677,455 | 11,579,746 | 18,882,737 | 20,713,554 | 23,523,664 | 24,337,664 |
| 2010 | 1,518,563 | 2,708,062 | 5,931,546 | 10,081,816 | 12,260,236 | 13,526,546 | 16,597,121 | 18,790,511 | 19,848,804 | 21,174,632 | 22,953,692 | 27,249,702 |
| 2011 | 568,645 | 2,003,976 | 5,063,837 | 7,449,773 | 9,471,416 | 11,761,850 | 12,794,028 | 14,222,970 | 18,194,801 | 19,682,061 | 30,563,013 | 31,934,415 |
| 2012 | 2,189,660 | 3,128,562 | 4,794,040 | 6,337,260 | 10,000,544 | 12,120,246 | 17,883,185 | 24,375,078 | 26,118,787 | 26,493,820 | 28,130,500 | 28,666,430 |
| 2013 | 881,740 | 1,440,110 | 13,907,060 | 15,814,195 | 17,433,454 | 20,194,778 | 23,204,628 | 24,180,485 | 26,567,302 | 29,195,224 | 30,890,086 | 31,231,349 |
| 2014 | 665,304 | 2,806,404 | 8,075,941 | 20,789,869 | 27,574,834 | 29,877,686 | 33,456,523 | 41,971,923 | 42,784,769 | 44,804,191 | 46,460,471 | 47,707,993 |
| 2015 | 1,172,285 | 1,853,539 | 3,894,754 | 6,750,389 | 8,575,425 | 18,388,180 | 20,475,407 | 26,442,225 | 29,143,303 | 31,248,595 | 35,417,465 | 37,368,595 |
| 2016 | 1,268,865 | 2,298,280 | 4,987,625 | 8,904,610 | 12,253,660 | 16,279,464 | 19,265,124 | 23,811,029 | 29,823,014 | 36,084,949 | 40,154,959 | 41,418,659 |
| 2017 | 1,183,280 | 2,841,725 | 7,219,495 | 11,761,657 | 18,136,656 | 23,823,576 | 30,793,243 | 36,066,891 | 52,130,226 | 59,858,542 | 63,366,686 | 64,675,041 |
| 2018 | 1,970,104 | 3,943,104 | 10,028,787 | 14,363,122 | 20,252,322 | 30,488,747 | 37,540,412 | 40,421,060 | 55,689,215 | 59,634,580 | | |

From: Rick & Melody Fischer [<mailto:r-m@telus.net>]
Sent: October 31, 2018 3:38 PM
To: Rob Niewenhuizen
Cc: Carl Bannister
Subject: Re: Dog pop bags

Well, THANK-YOU so much!! Not only are you guys quick to respond, you gave me fantastic information!

Cheers,
Melody

On 10-31-2018, at 2:48 PM, Rob Niewenhuizen <rniewenhuizen@salmonarm.ca> wrote:

Good afternoon Melody

I just wanted to inform you that the City's dog waste bags are made from 100% recycled materials and the bags themselves are **fully biodegradable** bags* – in the presence of oxygen, microorganisms and moisture, the bags first degrade, then biodegrade to carbon dioxide, water and non-toxic biomass *as described in ASTM D6954-04.

I have attached a photo of the dog waste bags which we use, our supplier is Sybertech Waste Reduction Ltd. and you can check their website for more information on their product.

www.swrl.com

I trust that this information will clarify the matter,

Best regards,

Robert Niewenhuizen | Director of Engineering & Public Works | City of Salmon Arm
Box 40, 500-2nd Avenue NE, Salmon Arm, BC, V1E 4N2 | P 250.803.4017 | F 250.803.4041
E rniewenhuizen@salmonarm.ca W www.salmonarm.ca



Please consider the environment when printing this email

From: Carl Bannister
Sent: October 31, 2018 2:38 PM
To: Melody & Rick Fischer
Cc: Rob Niewenhuizen
Subject: RE: Dog pop bags

Thank you Melody. I will ensure that your letter makes it to City Council, etc.

From: Melody & Rick Fischer [<mailto:r-m@telus.net>]
Sent: October 31, 2018 2:36 PM
To: Carl Bannister; r-m@telus.net
Subject: Dog pop bags

Happy Halloween!

I've been meaning to write this note for about 5 years, how sad is that LOL.

I'm not sure who this note should be sent too, my request is that the city of Salmon Arm purchase dog waste bags that are biodegradable versus the current plastic bags that they are using. I feel that the city of Salmon Arm works very hard to be conscientious about our environment and this is one area that we fall down sharply at

Cheers,

Melody Fischer
Phone 250-804-8826

Sent from my Samsung device
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DOG WASTE BAG



Thank you for cleaning up after your dog and
disposing of this bag in an appropriate container

This environmentally responsible waste bag is **TOTALLY BIODEGRADABLE***. In the presence of oxygen, microorganisms and moisture, it will first degrade, then biodegrade to carbon dioxide, water and non-toxic biomass (humus). *As described in ASTM D6754-04. To learn more, visit www.degradableplastics.com

Made from 100%
recyclable materials



Bags Supplied by Sybarock Waste Reduction Ltd.
Tel Toll Free: 1-888-888-7975 www.paw.com

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Original letter: September 13th, 2018 **Updated:** October 31, 2018

Dear Mayor ~~Cooper~~ Harrison and Councilors;

RE: pooling water, property lines, and utilities for suites

My name is Reta Moerike and I live at 151-11 ST SE.

I am writing to you regarding a few conflicting issues that I really don't know how to resolve. I am unaware of who to communicate with at the City office because most employees have their own departments to worry about. In a nutshell, I am feeling unsure of what to do. So, I am handing this to you because the problem situation is City related.

We own portions of our alley. The back of our properties at 151 – 11 ST SE and 121-11 ST SE back onto an alley (between 10th and 11th street SE). When I had our 151 property surveyed, I learned both of these properties encroach into the laneway. I shared this with Darren Gerow, City Eng. Tech., who acknowledged that we indeed own a part of the laneway. My estimation is about 5 – 8 feet across the width of the two lots (100 feet) totally somewhere between 500-800 square feet.

It hasn't been a big deal for us *to let* the City use our properties to facilitate this laneway. Our neighbour across the alley said his property line is about 3-6 inches from his backdoor step. To redesign the laneway to align with property boundaries seems rather futile to me. It isn't a big deal or wasn't until I noticed a changing of the landscape of the alley.

Every year, the City is kind enough to grade the laneway. **However**, each year, they grade more into our 151 property because we are on the uphill side. The added layers of dirt to grade the laneway and the angle of the grading process has now led to water issues (pooling) at 121.

I contacted the City back in the Spring 2018 and a fellow got back to me. I explained, and he seemed to understand what I was talking about. I didn't see it, but a grader came through the laneway within a month after our conversation. The funny thing is that they made it worse. They added yet more dirt. Now, the water pools even more. I phoned the person back and left a message and never heard anything back. I don't think my water woes were viewed as that relevant in the big scheme of things within the operations of the City. See attached photos.

Bylaw 3746 This brings me to the next situation. A little while after the City had a look at the water issue, we received two letters (one for each home) in the mail that stated, "*It has come*

to our attention that the above noted address contains a suite.” And according to Bylaw 3746, you owe us money.

I was partially aware of a bylaw when we purchased 121 – but did not really know what it read. It isn't available on the City web site. So, I went to City Hall in August of 2018 and asked. They didn't know where it was either and then found it. I also found it embedded in a document dated January 29, 2018 whereby many bylaws were amalgamated into one larger *Fee for Service Bylaw 2498* (from Council meeting minutes).

The *Fee for Service* on this document is consistent with what the letters stipulated in terms of cost, but there is no delineation of what a “suite” actually entails – conforming or non-conforming, and maybe that is a moot point. (Schedule C, D
<http://www.salmonarm.ca/documentcenter/view/2040>)

With our 121 property, our sons are co-owners and live there with roommates. I spoke to a front desk City person in February 2108 about this, and she said the declaration for “Non-Use” was fine with our two sons (co-owners) having 121 as their primary residence. Having roommates was not a big deal. Thus, it didn't make sense to me that another letter for 121 would be sent. Is the other declaration not on file and readily accessible? (see copy attached). I will not be sending another declaration. The City has one. Nothing has changed except a couple of roommates. That age group tends to be more transient (young 20's). **Mid-October Update:** we rented a part of this house out to a couple (121). It remains the primary residence of our two sons. Case closed - although the City should not have billed us as a declaration was on file from February 2018. We paid for a few months and didn't need to. At this point, I do not care about that.

As for 151, we did create a mother-in-law suite after my husband's stroke, bathroom renovations and dropping to a single income family with teenage boys. I will pay the extra \$287.60 for water and sewer.

The irony of this though is that we now use less water and sewer since our sons moved out. Fewer people live at the residence, and no one is going to the gym or sport and having to shower twice a day (ha ha).

The other thing I find interesting is that I know dozens of people that have mortgage helper suites (conforming or non-conforming) and they have never heard of this bylaw nor do they pay any extra for sewer and water. Several are City firefighters, many school district personnel, and other friends and acquaintances. It almost seems like I made a blunder asking about the pooling water because it will now cost me another \$600 per year.

This brings me to my original query. My logical brain suggests holding the City to task on the property lines – but then the threat of possibly losing the laneway lingers in my mind as I can imagine that the City wouldn't be interested in repairing the laneway situation. We don't even have proper water drainage up here on 11th Street - why would a laneway take precedent?

Then I wondered about creating an ad hoc rudimentary catchment basin (e.g. just digging a couple of holes myself). This remains a viable option in my brain. I wondered why the City couldn't do this. I am not sure if I am able to due to gas and sewer lines, and a right away the City has. We'll see.

In summary, what am I requesting? I am requesting a conversation within Council.

How could Reta resolve the water pooling problem that is deteriorating the asphalt drive way more and more, and leaving the land at the base of the house saturated with water?

How will the City figure out what to do with the encroaching property lines and the gradual sculpting away of the bank at the back of 151?

How will the City address the hundreds, likely thousands, of properties with suites that are not paying the water/sewer Fee for Service, including City employees that have suites – especially in market with a such a rental shortage? And even some of the adult children of City employees having rental suites?

These are some of my queries.

Like I said, I will pay the Fee for Service as per the Bylaw, but I cringe when I get together with others that I know have suites and pay nothing. I am not going to play "bylaw cop" and report them. It would be easy to go on Facebook or the School District Marketplace to see just a sampling.

I leave this information in your capable hands. **Scroll** to pictures of the water.

October 31st, 2018 update: The City graded the lane again last week and added more soil again – which just made the problem worse... the laneway can't be higher than our driveway. See updated picture at the end.

Regards,

Reta Moerike

Cell: 250-803-6182

P.S. Someday, I might mention our super curb fiasco on 11 Street and how we can no longer park off-street without wedges from Dinoflex...but that's a story for another day, or not. I did notice that the City cut down/shaved the super-curb on Okanagan Avenue across from 10 – 11 ST SE a few years ago.

Pictures of water flow and pooling from August 2018





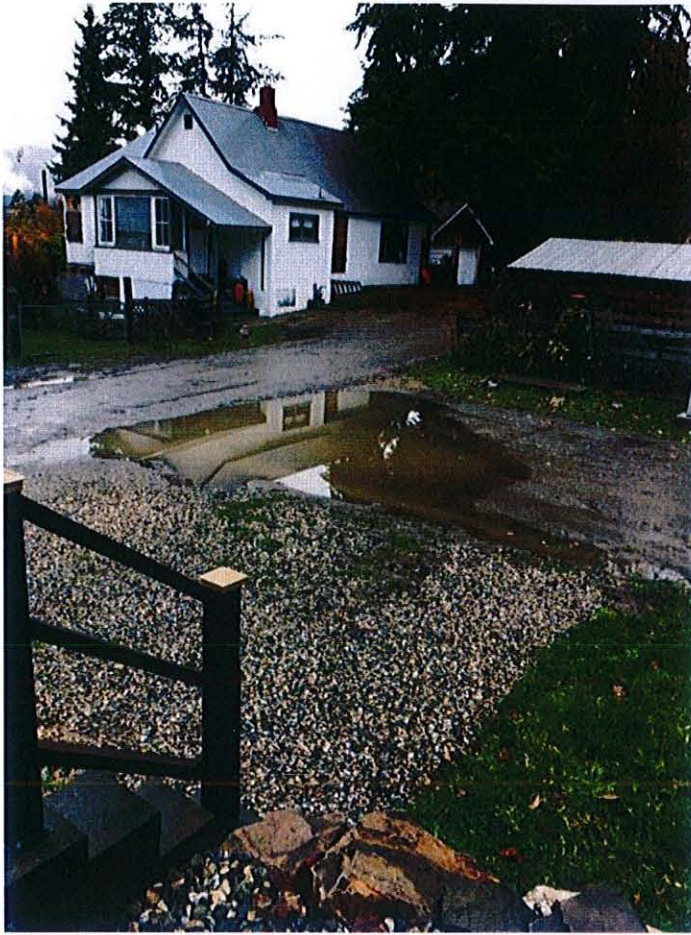
**Sloping of
laneway.**

Aug. 2018



August 2018

**This pool of water is
staying for longer periods
of time – the ground is
saturated it seems.**



And today, October 31st after the City graded last week. In my opinion, the water needs to be diverted at the south end and top of the alley. The lane way needs to have soil removed so our driveway is not lower than the alley – like it used to be.

This is the end of my tale. ☺ Happy problem solving.

October 23, 2018

Salmon Arm Taxi Ltd.

PO Box 785

Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N9

To: City of Salmon Arm

Box 40 – 500 2 Ave. NE

Salmon Arm , BC V1E 4N2

Notice of Pending Taxi Rate Increase

This letter notifies the local government that Salmon Arm Taxi Ltd, is asking the Passenger Transportation Board to implement a rate increase of 2.1 %.

Our request follows the PT Board's 2018 approval of a Taxi and Limousine Cost Index (TLC) increase for taxis. This is based on Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for 2017. The PT Board approved a rate increase of up to 2.1 % tat taxi companies can obtain upon request.

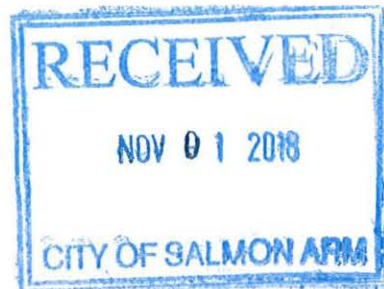
You are receiving this notice for information purposes only. Local government action is not required. Background information about taxi rates and TLCI increases is posted at

- Taxi rates in BC: <http://www.ptboard.bc.ca/taxi-rates.htm>
- TLCI: <Http://www.ptboard.bc.ca/tci.htm>

If you have questions about the rate increase we are requesting from the PT Board, you may call us at this phone number 250-832-2252 or 250-804-8128.

Sincerely,

Owner/President



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Healthy Communities

Monthly Newsletter



October
2018

Community Recognition

Okanagan Rail Trail Officially Opens

Residents from Coldstream to Kelowna will be connected by a 50km attractive, accessible and safe, walking and cycling trail that allows them to include exercise into their daily routines. Residents will also be able to enjoy opportunities to explore nature and learn about the Syilx (Okanagan) People and territory. Read the news release [here](#).



Regional District of East Kootenay Receives Award for Excellence in Sustainability

Congratulations to the RDEK for the UBCM Community Excellence Award for Excellence in Sustainability for the Accelerate Kootenays Project. One of the guiding documents for the RDEK Planning & Development Services Department is the [Regional Sustainability Strategy](#) which provides a regional vision through long range planning direction.

City of Vernon Prohibits Smoking & Vaping in Public Places

A review of the Parks and Public Places Bylaw #5057 provided an opportunity for the City of Vernon to modernize the definition of smoking to include electronic cigarettes, vaporizers and the recreational use of cannabis. The Parks and Public Places Bylaw #5057 prohibits smoking and vaping of any substance in public places in Vernon with the exception of roadways and sidewalks, and designated smoking/vaping areas. Read the news release [here](#).

Events & Learning Opportunities



Housing Central: BC Affordable Housing Conference

Housing Central is here to effectively mobilize and lead the evolution in value-added partnerships, and to collaborate on cutting-edge solutions that will take advantage of new investments to deliver affordable housing throughout the province. Conference runs November 18-20 in Vancouver. [Learn more here](#).

Making the Links 2018: Climate change, Community Health, & Resilience

Join prominent thinkers and other community leaders this fall for two days of learning and creating strategies for collaborative action on some of the most pressing issues of our time: climate change, health, and resilience. This symposium promises to deliver inspiring workshops, cross-sector dialogue, speakers, and community stories that together will help us uncover shared approaches to tackling

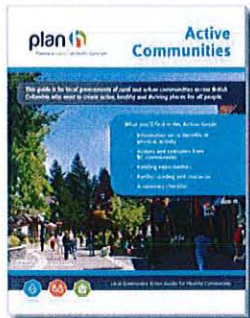


climate change right here in Canada - approaches that will not only protect, but improve, our community health and well-being! This event is November 5 & 6, in Kelowna. [Learn more here.](#)

Healthy Public Policy Resources

Poverty Reduction Act (Bill 39) Passes First Reading in BC

(October 2, 2018) The Poverty Reduction Strategy Act will define the scope of the strategy, which will be released in early 2019, and sets poverty reduction targets and timelines that the BC Government must meet. As indicated in the Government's [media release](#), the Act includes targets to decrease the overall poverty rate by 25% and the child poverty rate by 50% in 5 years using the Market Basket Measure, now Canada's official poverty line. According to the BC Poverty Reduction Coalition, if these targets are achieved, this would lift almost 140,000 British Columbians out of poverty, including 49,500 children.

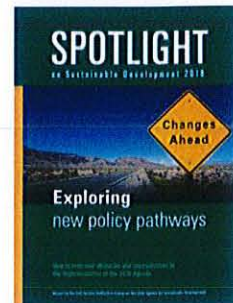


New PlanH Active Communities Action Guide

This guide is for local governments of rural and urban communities across British Columbia who want to create active, healthy and thriving places for all people. The Active Communities Action Guide offers ideas and resources for local governments to develop more opportunities for their citizens to be active in their daily lives. It also includes information on the co-benefits of physical activity, actions and examples from BC communities, opportunities for funding, a list of other resources, and a summary checklist that local governments can use to evaluate their physical activity strategy and next steps forward. Find the Action Guide [here](#).

Exploring new Policy Pathways

A group of organizations interested in achieving the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for 2030, has issued The Spotlight 2018 report which focuses on policies that are needed and, as the authors underline, "possible". Find this document [here](#).



Opportunity for All – Canada's First Poverty Reduction Strategy

(August 21, 2018) *Opportunity for All* is a plan for a concerted, coordinated fight against poverty on multiple fronts which targets a 20 percent reduction in poverty by 2020 and a 50 percent reduction in poverty by 2030. It is the Government's vision for Canada as a world leader in the eradication of poverty and represents a whole-of-society approach to tackling poverty, which means everyone has a role to play. Read more about the Strategy [here](#).

Funding News



Age Friendly Funding

The Age-friendly Communities program assists communities in BC to support aging populations by developing and implementing policies and plans, undertaking projects that enable seniors to age in place, and facilitating the creation of age-friendly communities. Applications are currently being accepted for this program, with the application deadline: **November 2, 2018**. Find the application [here](#).

Health and Wellness Grant for Indigenous Communities

The Health and Wellness Grant for Indigenous Communities is for Indigenous local governments or Friendship Centers in BC. Focus areas could include social or cultural connectedness, food security, healthy built and natural environments, healthy aging, or other topics. Grants of up to \$8,500 each are available for up to 10 Indigenous local governments and/or Friendship Centers in the province. Successful applicants will receive funding, resources, and support from BC Healthy Communities staff. Applications now open until **November 5, 2018**. Read this [fact sheet](#) for more information and [click here](#) for the application.

Child Care Funding Available for Local Governments

The province of British Columbia has announced two new funding streams for child care – the Community Child Care Space Creation Program will provide funding to local governments to create new licensed child care opportunities within local government facilities and the Community Child Care Planning Program will provide funding for local governments to participate in child care planning activities. For more information on both grant streams, visit this [website](#). The application deadline for both streams is **January 18, 2019**.



Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program - British Columbia

The Federal government is investing money into BC's infrastructure over the next 10 years and there are two new funding opportunities currently available: 1) [Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure](#) 2) [Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure](#). The deadline for both grant applications is **January 23, 2019**. For more information, please visit the above links.

National Housing Co-Investment Fund Grants



There are two funding streams within the National Housing Co-Investment Fund: 1) [New Construction Stream](#) which focuses on new builds of affordable housing stock and 2) [Housing Repair and Renewal Stream](#) to alleviate the costs associated with repair/renewal of existing affordable housing units in a community. These grants are open to municipalities, community housing providers, Indigenous local governments and organizations. Applications for both are accepted on a continuous basis. For more information, please visit the above links.

Building BC: Supportive Housing Fund

This grant stream is available to local governments to provide supportive housing for people who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. Expressions of interests are being accepted until **October 30, 2018**. Visit this [website](#) for more information.

Sincerely,

Your Healthy Communities Team

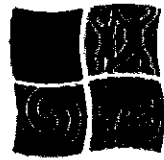
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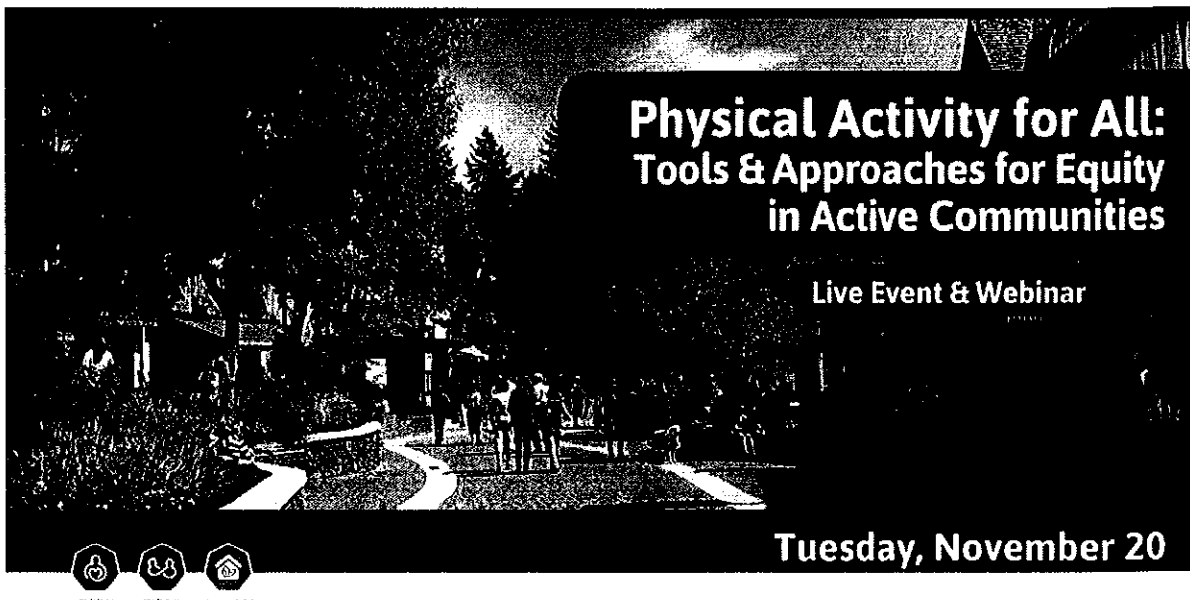
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Event Speakers





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Community Well-being Specialist
BC Healthy Communities Society



PJ Naylor, PhD

Professor, Graduate Advisor
School of Exercise Science, Physical and Health
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Ame-Lia Tamburrini, MSc

Senior Manager of Physical Activity
Healthy Living and Health Promotion Branch,
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Ministry of Health

Event Details:

Tuesday, November 20
5:30-7:15pm

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Event Moderator



Judy Brownoff

President & Chair

BC Healthy Communities Society

Municipal Council member, District of Saanich

Have a question about equity in active communities for our experts?

Join the discussion on our **Facebook event page**. We'll bring a selection of your questions to the event.

This event is presented by BC Healthy Communities Society through its PlanH program, and made possible with the generous assistance of a **Stream of Consciousness 2020 Vision Grant**.

2020 Vision is a **Stream of Consciousness** grant program designed to amplify & forward the deep work being done by the non-profit & charities right here in our hometown of Victoria.

Yours in Community,

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Cc: Minister, IRR IRR:EX <IRR.Minister@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: 241067: Signing ceremony invitation - Sept 28, 2018

Ref: 241067

Mike Simpson
Senior Regional Manager – Thompson
Fraser Basin Council
Email: MSimpson@fraserbasin.bc.ca
cc: IRR.Minister@gov.bc.ca

Dear Mr. Simpson:

Thank you for inviting the Honourable Scott Fraser, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, and myself to the signing ceremony for the Shuswap Local and Secwépemc Governments Communications Agreement. I apologize for the delay in responding.

Due to my heavily committed schedule, I regret that I was not able to attend the ceremony and apologize for the delay in responding.

I applaud the Shuswap Local and Secwépemc Governments for reaching this significant milestone. This is a very important achievement along the way to building positive and collaborative government-to-government relationships.

The Fraser Basin Council also deserves credit for its facilitative role in the process that resulted in this extraordinary agreement covering the area of the Shuswap watershed.

I understand the Community to Community Forum Program managed by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities funded the signing ceremony. Each year, my ministry is pleased to provide a financial contribution to the program, which enables local and First Nations governments to connect and work towards reconciliation at the community level.

Thank you again for the invitation and I send you my sincere congratulations.

Sincerely,

Selina Robinson
Minister of Municipal Affairs
and Housing

From: Mike Simpson [<mailto:msimpson@fraserbasin.bc.ca>]
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2018 5:10 PM
To: Minister, IRR IRR:EX; Minister, MAH MAH:EX
Subject: Signing ceremony invitation - Sept 28, 2018

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Hello Ministers Robinson and Fraser

You are invited to a signing ceremony at the Adams Lake Indian Band Recreation and Conference Centre on Friday September 28, 2018. The ceremony is intended to formalize, and celebrate a communications agreement developed over the last year involving Secwépemc and local governments in the Shuswap watershed portion of Secwépemc'ulecw.

Coffee and informal networking will commence at 9:00AM, with welcomes starting at 9:45PM.

Please register [here](#) by September 21 so that accurate numbers for catering can be confirmed.

The ceremony is funded by UBCM Community to Community Forum program and the Columbia Shuswap Regional District. The Fraser Basin Council facilitated the development of the protocol on behalf of all participating governments, and is coordinating the event along with Councillor Gina Johnny of Adams Lake Indian Band and Robyn Cyr of Columbia Shuswap Regional District

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October 31, 2018

Ref: 240769

Her Worship Nancy Cooper
Mayor-Elect Alan Harrison
and Members of Council
City of Salmon Arm
PO Box 40
Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

Dear Mayor Cooper, Mayor-Elect Harrison and Councillors:

I greatly appreciated the opportunity to meet with your delegation at the 2018 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Convention. Mayor Cooper, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your service to your community and offer my welcoming sentiments to Mayor-Elect Harrison. Our government is committed to partnering with local governments to build vibrant and healthy communities that are more affordable, economically resilient, and socially and environmentally responsible.

The issues brought forward in our meeting were of great interest to me, namely the work you are doing to create more affordable housing. I was pleased to hear about your task force and how the City is looking at the continuum of housing needs and innovative mixed-use options.

Planning for housing in a fast-growing community like Salmon Arm can be challenging. BC Housing can provide additional support through various funding streams that will assist communities like yours to access the necessary resources and partner to deliver housing. The newly created HousingHub can bring together partners to find and develop or redevelop available land and partner to create affordable homes for people who live and work in our communities. I am pleased that you have connected with Raymond Kwong, Director, at the HousingHub. Mr. Kwong or Danna Locke, Regional Director, Operations and Partner Services, BC Housing, will be able to assist you with your query about incorporating childcare into new housing developments.

Raymond Kwong, may be contacted by telephone at: 604 439-8587, or by email at: RKwong@bchousing.org, and Danna Lock is available by telephone at: 604 439-4193, or by email at: DLocke@bchousing.org.

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Her Worship Nancy Cooper
Mayor Elect Alan Harrison
and Members of Council
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At our meeting, you asked about timelines for the new Housing Needs assessments. More information will be available this fall and shared publicly, as well as with UBCM. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Jessica Brooks, Executive Director, Planning and Land Use Management, Local Government Division, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, by telephone at: 250 818-3687, or by email at: Jessica.Brooks@gov.bc.ca.

As my second Convention as Minister has come to an end, I trust we will continue to embrace this year's theme of "Communication, Collaboration and Cooperation". Through meaningful connections and productive dialogue, I look forward to working in partnership with local governments to deliver the services that British Columbians count on.

Thank you again to your delegation for taking the time to meet with me.

Sincerely,



Selina Robinson
Minister

Enclosure

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From: MCF Info MCF:EX [MCF.Info@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2018 3:06 PM
To: Caylee Simmons
Subject: Letter from the Honourable Katrine Conroy

Ref: 240087

Her Worship Mayor Nancy Cooper and Council
City of Salmon Arm
E-mail: cityhall@salmonarm.ca

Dear Mayor Cooper and Council:

As the Minister of Children and Family Development, I am honoured and delighted to proclaim November as Adoption Awareness Month. This annual proclamation offers an opportunity to celebrate the many families in the province who have opened their hearts and their homes through adoption, and to highlight the need for more families to consider adopting.

In your community and across the province, there are hundreds of children and youth in foster care hoping for a permanent home to call their own. Some are part of a sibling group, some have special needs, and some are teens. Each and every child deserves a family to belong to, a stable place to grow up, help and guidance preparing for the challenges of adulthood, and someone to rely on for support, encouragement and love.

This year the ministry is pleased to announce a new Adoption Campaign. For more information on this important campaign, please see the following Web link at: Adoptnow.ca.

There are many ways to celebrate adoptive families and help raise awareness of the need for more adoptive families in British Columbia. Your council could proclaim Adoption Awareness Month in your community, you could create an adoption display in your office, use a copy of the Provincial Proclamation, invite Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) Adoption Social Workers to set up an information booth, have your community newspaper feature articles on adoption, and invite local adoptive parents to a "meet and greet". If you are interested in exploring these ideas please contact MCFD staff at: MCF.AdoptionsBranch@gov.bc.ca.

The Adoptive Families Association of British Columbia (AFABC) has been supporting adoptive families in British Columbia for forty years. The AFABC's representative for your area can provide you with information on events in your community and on adoption in general. Their contact information, as well as contact information for the three licensed adoption agencies in British Columbia, can be accessed at: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events/birth-adoption/adoptions/how-to-adopt-a-child>.

Adopt BC Kids Web site is an online portal that allows citizens to complete an adoption application online 24/7. Please take a look at the site and encourage community members who are interested in adopting a child in foster care to register at: www.gov.bc.ca/adoptbckids.

On behalf of the Ministry of Children and Family Development, thank you for helping us raise awareness about adoption and working with us to find homes for British Columbia's children and youth.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

Katrine Conroy
Minister of Children and Family Development

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Sent on behalf of the Minister by:



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Ministry of Children and Family Development

Mel Arnold, MP
North Okanagan - Shuswap



Nov. 2, 2018.

City of Salmon Arm
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Sent via email

**Attention: His Worship Alan Harrison,
Mayor of the City of Salmon Arm**

Dear Mayor Harrison and Council:

As Member of Parliament for the North Okanagan-Shuswap, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate you on being elected as Mayor and Council for the City of Salmon Arm on October 20, 2018.

It takes courage to run for public office and I acknowledge your willingness to do so as well as all of the time, energy and effort you invested to gain the respect and votes of your constituents. Thank you for your dedication to your community and your commitment to public service.

I am pleased to be able to attend your Inaugural Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 13 and look forward to working with you on behalf of those we serve in the North Okanagan-Shuswap.

Once again, congratulations and I wish you all the very best for your tenures and the work ahead.

Yours Sincerely,

Mel Arnold, M.P.
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BC ASSESSMENT

November 6, 2018

Attn: Mayor Alan Harrison and Councillors
City of Salmon Arm
PO Box 40
Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

Dear Mayor Alan Harrison and Councillors,

Congratulations on behalf of BC Assessment and the Thompson Okanagan region, regarding your recent success in the 2018 local government general elections. My name is Katrina LeNoury, and I am the Assessor for the Thompson Okanagan. My Deputy Assessor team includes Graham Held, Tracy Wall, and Amanda Wilms.

BC Assessment is the Crown corporation responsible for producing independent and equitable annual property assessments and trusted assessment information. The products and services that we offer support development of strong and vibrant communities in British Columbia. Please visit bcassessment.ca to learn more.

BC Assessment holds ourselves accountable to local governments. We are committed to providing transparent, fair, timely, and respectful communications and assessment services. In addition to our regional team, our Local Government Department strives to serve local governments with continuous improvement to ensure our products and services effectively meet your needs. Contact our Local Government Department at 1-866-valueBC (825-8322) local 00498 or localgovernment@bcassessment.ca.

Congratulations once again, and we look forward to opportunities to meet at your civic offices and local government conferences in order to grow the relationship between BC Assessment and your Council. We are also available to present to your Council upon request to share more details about our mandate and relationships with local governments.

Sincerely,

Katrina LeNoury
Assessor, Thompson Okanagan

From: Mike LoVecchio [mailto:Mike_LoVecchio@cpr.ca]

Sent: October-26-18 2:27 PM

To: mel.arnold.c1@parl.gc.ca; Greg Kylo MLA (g.kylo@leg.bc.ca); Rhona Martin (RMartin@csrd.bc.ca); Nancy Cooper; Marijke Dake (marijkehd@gmail.com)

Cc: Alan Harrison

Subject: Update on the wetdown facility

Thank you for your ongoing interest in the wetdown facility trial. The wetdown was inaugurated on June 20th and operated 24/7 from July 3 until the end of the trial period on September 20th. As I noted earlier this year, safety is a top consideration in direct proximity to the tracks. Having completed the 100 day trial, and with freezing temperatures returning in late September, the wetdown was deactivated on September 20th.

CP and Teck will evaluate the effectiveness of the wetdown facility trial this fall. That evaluation will inform our decisions on next steps. The wetdown facility equipment remains in place west of Revelstoke and coal trains continue to be sprayed with flocculent at each originating mine, and again at the respray facility west of Salmon Arm. Trains will continue to be monitored for dusting as set out in CP's operating bulletin which remains in effect.

Once we have evaluated the results of the wetdown, we can reconvening with all of you to discuss next steps.

Should you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,
Mike.

PS: Marijke, I am sorry for the slow response to your email a couple of weeks ago. It is has been a madhouse on a bunch of other files and I just never really caught up. Totally my fault, and for that I apologize.

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From: Marika Luczi [mailto:marika@chbaco.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2018 11:22 AM
To: Caylee Simmons
Subject: Congratulations from CHBA CO

Good morning Mayor Harrison and Council,

On behalf of the Canadian Home Builders' Association of the Central Okanagan, we would like to congratulate you all on a successful campaign. We look forward to working with you all over the next four years.

Please find attached our letter of congratulations as well as our most recent submission on the BC Energy Step Code for your review. As some of you may know, we will be presenting to all municipalities on November 5th our cost findings.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

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October 24, 2018

City of Salmon Arm Mayor and Council
Box 40 500 2nd Avenue NE, Salmon Arm BC. V1E 4N2

Congratulations,

The Canadian Home Builders' Association of the Central Okanagan (CHBA CO) wishes to thank all the candidates for their hard work and commitment to the citizens of Salmon Arm during this campaign. Congratulations to Mayor Alan Harrison, Councilors – Chad Eliason, Tim Lavery, Kevin Flynn, Louise Wallace Richmond, Debbie Cannon, and Sylvia Lindgren on a successful campaign and election victory.

The CHBA CO looks forward to working with you all and continuing to build on our strong relationship with the City of Salmon Arm.

The City of Salmon Arm has many complex challenges to address and the CHBA CO can be an asset in regard to many of those challenges. There is no doubt that housing is a critical issue in Salmon Arm. It affects all residents, in every corner of the city. New policies must address and benefit all aspects of the housing system, from homelessness to market ownership.

CHBA represents over 8,500 companies nationally, and over 260 members locally in the residential construction industry who work as home builders, renovators, tradespeople, service professionals, and others. The residential construction industry in the Central Okanagan represents over 20,000 on-site and off-site jobs, and over \$1 billion in wages.

Our system of Committees' and Councils bring together builders and industry experts from across the country to share information and ideas, and to formulate recommendations to all levels of government to improve the quality and affordability of homes for Canadians. As industry professionals we are constantly updating ourselves through seminars and educational forums to stay on top of technology and industry standards.

There is an opportunity to share that experience and technical expertise with you all and work collaboratively to address housing issues in Salmon Arm and the Central Okanagan. We sincerely appreciate the lines of communication that have been opened and we look forward to finding ways to strengthen that relationship.

With this in mind, we have formed a local Government Relations Committee to help foster this relationship between the City of Salmon Arm and CHBA CO. Our Committee consists of: Ray Wynsouw; CorWest Builders, Cassidy deVeer; 3rd Generation Homes, Russ Foster; Wilden, and

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Ranvir Nahal; Sunterra Custom Homes who are all eager to work closer with the City on current and future policy.

To conclude, we have attached CHBA CO's BC Energy Step Code submission statement. We trust that this type of information is as valuable to you for decision-making processes, as it is to our community and industry.

Sincerely,

Les Bellamy
President, CHBA CO



October 24, 2018

City of Salmon Arm Mayor and Council
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BC Energy Step Code Statement, by Canadian Home Builders' Association Central Okanagan.

When it comes to climate change and greenhouse gas emissions, the housing sector is a Canadian success story. The residential sector is the only sector to meet original Kyoto Protocol reduction targets. From 1990 to 2014, GHG emissions in the housing sector were down 11%, despite the number of houses having grown by 38% nationally.

As an association, CHBA has been a leader and champion of energy efficiency, leading development and adoption of Canada's world-leading R-2000 program, participating extensively in ENERGY STAR initiatives, supporting the first-ever energy requirements in the national building code, and advocating for more incentives like the very successful national energy retrofit program that addressed the real challenge in the housing sector—the older existing housing stock.

Today, CHBA is leading on voluntary advanced energy efficiency through its Net Zero Energy Housing Council and its Net Zero Home labelling program.

It is important to note that this success in the housing sector did not come about through mandating energy efficiency in codes, but from ongoing innovation—thanks in large part to joint government and industry research and development. It also came from very successful retrofit programming for the existing housing stock, and voluntary improvement in new construction through programs like Energy Star.

British Columbia already has progressive codes and standards that result in excellent housing. While CHBA supports efforts to go further to improve energy efficiency and address climate change, care must be taken to ensure that this doesn't come at the cost of reduced housing affordability. BC is facing serious housing affordability challenges and it is important that regulation not result in the next generation of home buyers being locked out of the market.

It is time for Provincial priorities for housing and the environment to pursue a single, simple but extremely important goal: let's build better houses for the same price or less.

If there is a need to address a given issue with the code, then it needs to be done in a way that doesn't increase costs. If there isn't such a means, then R&D and innovation is needed to find a solution before regulating it. This is the time for real innovation—and BC has the capacity to lead the way.

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Given today's affordability challenge, this is a position that should be taken by the Provincial and Municipal Governments at large and with respect to the BC Building Code, Bylaws and regulations. It should be supported by Provincial & Federal R&D dollars, leveraged with those of the private sector.

For instance, the Provincial government has stated that it would like to see Net Zero Ready energy performance in all new homes by 2032. While this level of performance is attainable today, it has a steep price tag – approximately \$47,000 on average per home based on recent research done by the CHBA. In colder climates zones, that cost will be even higher. This is fine for those who can afford that investment, but for many, that simply isn't the case.

We need to drive this cost down to the point where it does not impact affordability and lock even more people out of home ownership. We have about 13 years to figure out how—or less if the province and municipalities implement these levels even faster, which is likely and a concern.

Adopting such levels faster without cost effective solutions will be very problematic for those aspiring to join the ranks of the middle-class through homeownership. Our only chance for success is if government at all levels focuses R&D investment to yield the necessary cost savings, and code changes are implemented to respect cost considerations.

Which leads to the Provincial investment in housing R&D, which has been woefully lagging in recent years compared to investments in other industries which employ much less than the over 200,000 jobs created by the residential construction sector. This type of Provincial investment is particularly important in housing because the industry is principally made up of small businesses; also, most innovation in construction is non-proprietary, so public sector investment in R&D is a very appropriate Provincial role.

Another key tool is voluntary programming. Initiatives like ENERGY STAR, R-2000 and CHBA's Net Zero Home Labelling Program enable homeowners to choose higher levels of performance on a voluntary basis, moving the market forward without damaging affordability in entry-level homes.

This approach supports innovation and provides market streamlining, ensuring that incremental costs are optimized and linked to homeowner benefits.

Providing leading-edge, voluntary programming is key to advancing energy efficiency and supporting innovation in housing while protecting choice and affordability. Regulation if necessary can follow, after costs have been reduced. With new housing energy efficiency 37% better than it was in 1990, and accounting for less than 1% of the total housing stock each year,

it is also critical to recognize that the real opportunity for reduced GHG Emissions in housing is through energy-efficient retrofits.

Every dollar invested in an existing home will yield four to seven times more GHG reductions than the same dollar investment in a new home.

Statistics Canada reports 60% of existing stock in BC was built before 1990. National studies report on average, homes built before 1990 consume 100% more energy than a home built today.

Stats Canada also reports another 39% of existing stock was built between 1990 and 2014. The same National study reports homes built in that time frame on average consume 60% more energy than a home built today. For clarity – 99% of all existing housing in BC on average consume between 60% and 100% more energy than homes built today.

Emphasis should be placed on energy efficient retrofits through policy measures like energy-efficiency tax credits that also combat the underground economy.

A permanent, refundable home renovation tax credit, using the EnerGuide Rating System, will most effectively address the government's climate change goals related to housing. And by requiring homeowners to get receipts to qualify, our research suggests reduced underground economy activity can make such a program cost neutral to government.

BC's housing sector has an important role to play in helping to meet Canada's climate change goals. Much has already been accomplished, and much more can be done, but it must be done in a way that addresses the real issues and doesn't erode housing affordability. We have a uniquely Canadian history of industry/government collaboration in this area, and we need to build on this for the future.

In conclusion, the CHBA CO can not endorse mandatory implementation of the BC Energy Step Code at this time. The 'Step Code' does not provide a cost neutral solution and fails to address the largest energy use – existing stock. The CHBA CO endorses any voluntary steps taken to reduce GHG emissions and encourages government at all levels to incentivize consumers and builders to do so.



Les Bellamy,
President, CHBA CO



October 25, 2018

Mayor Alan Harrison
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Dear Mayor Harrison,

On behalf of the member companies of the BC Council of Forest Industries and the BC Lumber Trade Council, I would like to congratulate you on your election as Mayor. As you begin this important role providing leadership for your community, we look forward to working with you on issues regarding the B.C. forest sector, including support for the workers and families that depend on our industry.

As you likely know, the forest sector is a primary employer in many communities throughout the province with 140 communities and one in 17 jobs in B.C. dependent on the industry. We all share a commitment to a future based on sustainable forestry and manufacturing practices, innovative product development, and employee safety.

B.C. is a global leader in sustainable forestry, and our high-quality wood products and building systems are being shipped to markets around the world, from communities – large and small – across the province. More and more, our customers are recognizing the importance of wood as a green building product that can help meet carbon reduction commitments. We see opportunities to grow, expand our reach and continue to serve new markets but we also face challenges ahead. These challenges include addressing difficult wildfire seasons, the softwood lumber trade dispute, accessing markets in the U.S. and around the globe, and maintaining a competitive industry. These issues will continue to require close collaboration between workers, our industry, and governments at all levels, including municipal leaders like you and your colleagues across BC.

We would be pleased to provide an industry briefing to you and your incoming council colleagues at your convenience. Please feel free to contact us directly – Diamond Isinger at isinger@cofi.org – to arrange this or to answer any questions you may have, as you begin your new term as Mayor. We also encourage you to save the date for COFI's Annual Convention (www.cofi.org/convention/2019-convention), April 3-5, 2019 in Vancouver, as we hope you can join us at the event.

Again, congratulations. We look forward to working with you and your council to address these issues and ensure that we sustain a vibrant forest sector in your community for decades to come.

Yours truly,

Susan Yurkovich
President and CEO, BC Council of Forest Industries
President, BC Lumber Trade Council

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From: Safe Drinking Water Team [<mailto:safedrinkingwaterteam@gmail.com>]

Sent: October-30-18 8:00 AM

To: Nancy Cooper

Subject: It Is With Heavy Hearts that We Inform You of the Passing of Dr. Hans Peterson

[View this email in your browser](#)



It is with heavy hearts that we write to inform you of the passing of Dr. Hans Peterson on October 24, 2018.

Hans devoted his life to trying to make safe drinking water available to every Canadian.

Following his retirement, Hans founded the Safe Drinking Water Team (SDWT). He was an SDWT Scientific Advisor and, as most of you likely know, he worked tirelessly to try to get safe drinking water to rural and First Nations communities.

SDWT's focus is on providing water treatment operators with training, which enables them to earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs) to keep their certification. SDWT focuses on rural and First Nations water treatment plant operators so they can help each other to resolve water treatment issues as well as by commenting on political issues involving drinking water.



Hans' email signature included the following quote, "For many of us, clean water is so plentiful and readily available that we rarely, if ever, pause to consider what life would be like without it." - Marcus Samuelsson

Quotes from Dr. Hans Peterson:

"Then one day I was back in Saskatoon and was biking on the dirt trails along the river when I started to count the number of people who now have safe drinking water due to our work, more than 100,000."

"I began to think about drinking water treatment again, I started to dream about a world that had abandoned expensive and ineffective chemical treatment processes in favour of inexpensive and effective biological treatment."

"Any raw water source is a smorgasbord for bacteria. As long as we supply ice cream, steak, French fries and Greek salads to the bacteria we will continue to fail to produce safe drinking water even if we meet every regulation in the book."

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to Safe Drinking Water Foundation (SDWF). Hans was one of the original founders of SDWF.

Please visit <https://www.safewater.org/donate/> to make a donation online or mail a cheque payable to Safe Drinking Water Foundation to #1-912 Idylwyld Drive North, Saskatoon, SK S7L 0Z6.

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Take Care,

Safe Drinking Water Team



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ATTN: Councillor Arjun Singh, UBCM President

Dear Sir,

The Council of the Village of Valemount was pleased to attend the 2018 Union of BC Municipalities convention in Whistler this year. The conference offered informative seminars and speakers, as well as an opportunity to meet with other government officials on key issues affecting municipalities around the province.

Council was very pleased to see that in lieu of a gift from UBCM, guest speakers at the conference were provided a donation to a charity on their behalf. However, it was noted that all of the donations were made to charities located in the lower mainland.

The Council of the Village of Valemount respectfully requests that consideration be given to other areas of the province when determining where donations of this nature are to be distributed.

We appreciate your consideration of this matter and look forward to your reply.

Regards,


Mayor Jeannette Townsend
Village of Valemount

cc: All Northern and Interior Municipalities

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From: SBB Roundtable Secretariat JTT:EX [<mailto:RoundtableSecretariat@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: October 2, 2018 8:52 AM
To: Sue Adams (sueadams@telus.net); 'Cybele Negris'
Cc: Johnston, Elizabeth A JTT:EX; Kincross, Sean JTT:EX
Subject: Open for Business Awards: Nomination period now open

Dear Chief Administrative Officer:

I'm writing to encourage you to celebrate and share how your community has created a business friendly culture by participating in this year's Open for Business Awards.

The Open for Business Awards recognize B.C. communities that have implemented business friendly policies and initiatives that help small businesses succeed. The program provides an important platform for local governments to learn from their peers by sharing success stories and showcasing successful initiatives, as noted by a winner from last year:

"Being an Open for Business Award winner helped put Campbell River on the map. Following the announcement, we received significant media attention and have experienced an uptake in interest from investors and new business". Rose Klukas, Development Officer, Campbell River.

Winners can display the Open for Business logo in perpetuity as a testament to their business friendly culture.

Participating is easy. Seek a nomination from a local business or your Chamber of Commerce, or self-nominate. Then follow the outline provided to prepare a short case study about your initiative detailing the successful outcomes. Visit [Open for Business Awards](#) for the details.

Winners will be announced at the Small Business BC Awards Gala at the Vancouver Convention Centre on February 21st attended by over 600 business leaders, media and government officials. All shortlisted communities will be invited to participate. A professionally produced video of each finalist will be played at the Awards Gala.

For questions or support preparing your application, please contact the Roundtable Secretariat in the Small Business Branch by telephone at 778-698-1636 or by email at roundtablesecretariat@gov.bc.ca.

We look forward to receiving your community's nomination and submission.

Sincerely,

Sue Adams
Chair, Open for Business Awards Committee
BC Small Business Roundtable