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INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE - July 10, 2023

1. Building Department - Building Statistics - June 2023 N
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N = No Action Required
A = Action Requested

S = Staff has Responded
R = Response Required

CITY OF SALMON ARM

CITY OF SALMON ARM BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT JUNE 2023

LAST YEAR (2022)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE

CURRENT YEAR (2023)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE

		NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE
1	New Single Family Dwellings	4	2,416,975	22	10,001,975	2	700,000	17	8,920,280
2	Misc. Additions etc. to SFD's	15	1,303,890	37	3,378,155	5	566,492	25	1,719,559
3	New Single Family Dwellings with suites	5	2,100,000	12	5,522,000	2	1,050,000	7	3,763,000
4	New Secondary/Detached Suites	2	90,000	12	1,076,168	1	60,000	7	876,854
5	New Modulars/MH's (Factory Built)	-	-	4	1,536,274	2	425,000	4	797,000
6	Misc. Additions etc. to Modulars/MH's	2	3,500	4	36,200	3	46,219	3	46,219
7	MFD's (# Units)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 (5)	1,478,000
8	Misc. Additions etc. to MFD's	-	-	1	47,000	-	-	-	-
9	New Commercial	1	60,000	3	2,135,000	-	-	-	-
10	Misc. Additions etc. to Commercial	1	400,000	6	1,107,500	3	535,000	12	1,633,000
11	New Industrial	-	-	-	-	1	2,688,000	2	2,773,000
12	Misc. Additions etc. to Industrial	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	70,000
13	New Institutional	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	492,000
14	Misc. Additions etc. to Institutional	-	-	1	700,000	-	-	1	124,282
15	Signs	-	-	6	50,032	5	28,511	17	143,836
16	Swimming Pools, Pool Buildings	1	20,000	9	468,752	2	200,000	6	448,000
17	Demolitions	4	-	8	-	1	-	4	-
18	Temporary Trailers, A & B Permits	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-
19	Misc. Special Inspections, etc.	5	-	19	-	3	-	20	-
	TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED	40	6,394,365	145	26,059,056	30	6,299,222	132	23,285,030

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	64,988,531	66,797,572
2019	6,060,645	6,835,345	10,699,845	18,074,843	22,220,523	26,015,593	31,103,281	45,971,877	48,902,359	52,267,409	56,765,409	58,511,534
2020	2,218,950	4,293,250	6,900,060	9,289,060	12,891,318	23,340,638	26,757,691	32,516,960	37,062,215	46,505,927	51,472,227	54,065,527
2021	3,180,132	5,500,747	9,538,939	14,603,678	21,402,310	29,030,210	33,528,039	37,494,801	41,729,005	46,006,620	50,263,120	53,739,370
2022	2,742,700	4,614,700	11,785,510	15,199,184	19,664,691	26,059,056	29,452,833	40,073,183	43,982,753	51,601,717	56,752,469	60,172,009
2023	3,950,582	5,205,782	8,532,882	12,340,016	16,985,808	23,285,030						

Rhonda West

From: Barb Puddifant
Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2023 12:03 PM
To: Rhonda West
Subject: FW: City of Prince George Resolution Submission to 2023 UBCM Convention
Attachments: City of Prince George Resolution - Reimbursing Local Governments for Medical Services Provided by Local Government Fire and.pdf

From: Kellett, Leslie <Leslie.Kellett@princegeorge.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2023 2:47 PM
Subject: [External] City of Prince George Resolution Submission to 2023 UBCM Convention

Good afternoon, Mayor and Council,

At the June 26, 2023 regular council meeting, City of Prince George Council approved submitting a resolution to the 2023 UBCM Convention regarding “Reimbursing Local Governments for Medical Services Provided by Local Government Fire and Rescue Services” and further resolved to share this resolution with UBCM member municipalities.

We appreciate your consideration to support this resolution at the 2023 UBCM Convention.

Sincerely,



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City of Prince George

Resolution Submitted to the 2023 UBCM Convention

Reimbursing Local Governments for Medical Services Provided by Local Government Fire and Rescue Service

WHEREAS communities across British Columbia are facing a significant increase in calls to respond to emergency medical incidents;

AND WHEREAS local governments provide for their fire departments to support prehospital patient care in their community by providing emergency medical services that assist the Provincial Government's BC Ambulance Service;

AND WHEREAS the costs associated with supporting prehospital care by local government fire departments has increased significantly in relation to response hours and increased use of first aid and other medical supplies and that such costs are funded solely through local government property taxation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government develop a funding model to compensate local governments who provide emergency medical services through their fire and rescue services fulfilling the responsibility of the provincial government with consideration given to community population and the fire department's authorized level of emergency medical response.



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MEDIA RELEASE

June 28th 2023 - For immediate release

Shuswap Watershed Council releases 2022 Water Quality Summary Report

The Shuswap Watershed Council (SWC) has just released a report summarizing water quality data and information about the Shuswap watershed. This is the seventh annual report on water quality from the SWC.

“I’m pleased to announce that this report is available, just as residents and visitors are heading to the lake for recreation and relaxation this summer,” says Jay Simpson, SWC Chair. “We produce these reports annually so that people can learn about the watershed, its challenges, and how important it is to our economy and our Shuswap lifestyle.”

The report covers water quality in the large lakes and rivers. It also explains water quality concerns in the region, such as algal blooms and the threat that aquatic invasive mussels pose to the Shuswap.

The report also draws attention to new publications from the BC Government, including a recently published Water Quality Assessment for Shuswap Lake, new Water Quality Objectives for Shuswap Lake, and a report that estimates the economic impact that a Zebra or Quagga mussel infestation would have in BC.

See [Shuswap watershed groups warn of economic impacts of Zebra & Quagga mussel infestation, emphasize importance of prevention measures](#).

“The threat of invasive mussels won’t ever go away,” says Erin Vieira, the SWC Program Manager. “There are two things that residents and visitors need to be very diligent about: stopping for watercraft inspection when you travel into BC, and following the steps to clean-drain-dry your boat or watercraft whenever you move it from one waterbody to another.”

As for algal blooms – which, unfortunately, have impacted Salmon Arm Bay and Tappen Bay in recent years – the report points to inflows of nutrients from the Salmon River as the primary cause. This, combined with other environmental factors such as sunlight, water temperature, waves and currents can create ideal growing conditions for algae to reproduce and form dense masses called blooms.

The Water Quality Report can be found on the SWC’s website, www.shuswapwater.ca.

Report from Chair

Chair Jay Simpson reported that he has made a few presentations about the Shuswap Watershed Council (SWC) recently, including to the Water Supply Association of BC and to the Fraser Basin Council Board of Directors. Additionally, the Chair hosted a Town Hall meeting in Celista in April that included a presentation and Q&A about the SWC. Chair Simpson also reported that he met with Interior Health, local government partners, and SWC staff in May to discuss algal bloom monitoring and public communications.

Report from Program Managers

Ms. Erin Vieira provided an update on program operations since the last SWC meeting:

- Staff completed site visits with water quality grant recipients for 2023; Contribution Agreements with grant recipients were drafted and signed
- The SWC Zebra & Quagga Mussel Prevention Program launched in May, educational campaigns promoting watercraft inspection and 'Clean-Drain-Dry' practices will be delivered throughout summer and early fall
- Early detection monitoring. For ZQM is underway at 13 sites in the Shuswap watershed; this is a partnership with the Columbia Shuswap Invasive Species Society (CSISS)
- Staff announced that the SWC's application to Transport Canada for \$24,025 federal grant funding was successful; the funding supports the SWC's Safe Recreation Program
- The Safe Recreation Program launched in May; campaigns promoting water safety through a variety of media will continue through summer and fall
- The SWC Annual Report for 2022-23 was published in mid-May, it is available online and print copies can be picked up from local government and First Nations offices.

Ms. Vieira reported that last fiscal year expenses (for the period April 1st 2022 – March 31st 2023) were \$249,445 against an operational budget of \$350,105; of the \$100,660 surplus, \$53,004 is allocated and carried forward to projects that will be completed in 2023-24.

Upcoming CSRD referendum

Chair Jay Simpson relayed that the Columbia Shuswap Regional District is proceeding with a referendum in Areas C, D, E, F and G to determine if there is support to continue the service and taxation that supports the Shuswap Watershed Council. The referendum is tentatively scheduled for late summer (to be confirmed). The CSRD has been contributing funds to the SWC since 2016, but it expires in December 2023. The CSRD's contribution to the SWC is in addition to funds from the Thompson-Nicola Regional District, City of Salmon Arm, and Adams Lake Indian Band whose contributions do not expire.

A full meeting summary is available on the SWC website.

SWC MEMBERS:

Jay Simpson – Chair
CSRD Area 'F'

Natalya Melnychuk – Vice Chair
CSRD Area 'G'

Marty Gibbons
CSRD Area 'C'

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NEWS RELEASE

For immediate release

July 5, 2023

Interior Health aims to boost responses to B.C. SPEAK Survey

B.C.'s largest population health survey, the SPEAK survey, has been extended and will remain open until July 31 to help boost participation.

People living in Interior Health can have a say in shaping the health programs and services in their region by participating in the Survey on Population Experiences, Action, and Knowledge (SPEAK) survey and sharing their experiences over the past few years.

“The SPEAK survey is an important opportunity for people living in our region to have their voice heard around issues such as their social, economic, physical and mental health. It’s particularly important that we hear more from people with unique needs who are usually under-represented, such as racialized populations, people from rural and remote communities, seniors, and those with children,” said Interior Health interim Chief Medical Health Officer Dr. Martin Lavoie.

Together with the BC Centre for Disease Control and health authorities across the province, we launched the third round of SPEAK on April 25. To date in B.C., over 85,000 people have responded and we are hoping to hear from 120,000 people of all backgrounds and from all over the province, particularly from underrepresented groups, where participation levels are lower, such as:

- First Nations, Métis and Inuit people
- people from racialized communities; including those of Chinese, South and Southeast Asian, Black, Filipino, Latin American, Arab, and more.
- people living in rural parts of the province;
- men aged 18 to 34;
- people aged 75 and older;
- people with no post-secondary education;
- people with lower household incomes; and
- people with children and young adults in their lives.

The survey asks how people living in B.C. are doing when it comes to their social, economic, physical health, mental health, and overall well-being, so we can better support communities across the province.

These type of population health assessments help inform public health interventions, practices, and policies. Previous survey findings have informed policy and programming priorities,



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including the reopening plans and safe return to school for kindergarten to grade 12, to target vaccine interventions in areas with low uptake and initiatives aimed at improving mental wellness in children and youth.

The survey takes around 20 minutes to fill out and can be accessed at www.bccdc.ca/SpeakSurvey.

Members of the public are also encouraged to share the survey with their family and loved ones and help them participate as needed.

SPEAK is available in 10 different languages and people's responses will inform future public health initiatives across the province. By responding to the survey people living in B.C. will let their health authority know what resources are needed to improve health and well-being in their community.

The SPEAK survey is funded by the [BCCDC Foundation for Public Health](#).

*The **BC Centre for Disease Control**, a part of the Provincial Health Services Authority, provides public health leadership through surveillance, detection, treatment, prevention and consultation services. The Centre provides diagnostic and treatment services for people with diseases of public health importance, and analytical and policy support to all levels of government and health authorities. The BCCDC also provides health promotion and prevention services to reduce the burden of chronic disease, preventable injury and environmental health risks. For more, visit www.bccdc.ca or follow us on Twitter [@CDCofBC](#).*

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July 04, 2023.

The Board of Directors and
Erinn Pinkerton, President and Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Leaders of BC Transit,

Natural Resources Canada states that the transportation sector is responsible for at least 27 percent of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Canada with light-duty vehicles (cars, vans, and light-duty trucks) responsible for almost half of that total. Public transit is an important part of the solution to the Climate Emergency.

Our group promotes greater community awareness of the impacts of climate change on our region and the need for all residents to do their part in solving the problem of increased warming of the climate.

Among the many actions we must take to address the climate crisis, public transit will be crucial to convince travellers to leave their cars at home. To reduce personal vehicle use we need to have transit available on a regular and dependable basis. Currently, transit service in the region surrounding the City of Salmon Arm is occasional. In Salmon Arm there are some useful bus routes but not all areas have service.

We have checked out your website to see what you are doing to provide public transit throughout the province. Comments provided and the opportunity for riders to offer input are encouraging. We ask that you recognize the importance of transit in rural and sparsely populated areas, especially where there are low-income people in need of support to get to work and get to medical appointments. We also ask that all parties currently supporting public transit devote adequate funding to improve these critical public transportation services.

In addition, as citizens greatly concerned about the impacts of climate change, we support your efforts to take action to mitigate the causes of these changes. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Janet Pattinson, Vice Chair
Shuswap Climate Action Society
Sorrento, BC

cc Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure
George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
The City of Salmon Arm
The Columbia Shuswap Regional District
Greg Kylo, MLA Shuswap
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