



THE VILLAGE OF
NAKUSP

INFORMATION REPORT

DATE: July 12, 2021
SUBJECT: Mayor's Monthly Report
FROM: Mayor Zeleznik

June 16th – Met with committee on Fair Trade. Committee consists of NSS students and residents. Article recently published in the Valley Voice and Arrow Lakes News which was produced by the committee to help the community understand the importance of Fair Trade. Buying Fair trade is a way to guarantee that the products we purchase are produced and sold fairly. In other words, it ensures that everyone involved in the process of buying and selling an item benefits in the way that they should. Fair trade connects the whole world in a global web of ethical trading. Today, there are around 30,000 unique Fair-trade products and over 660,000 certified farmers.

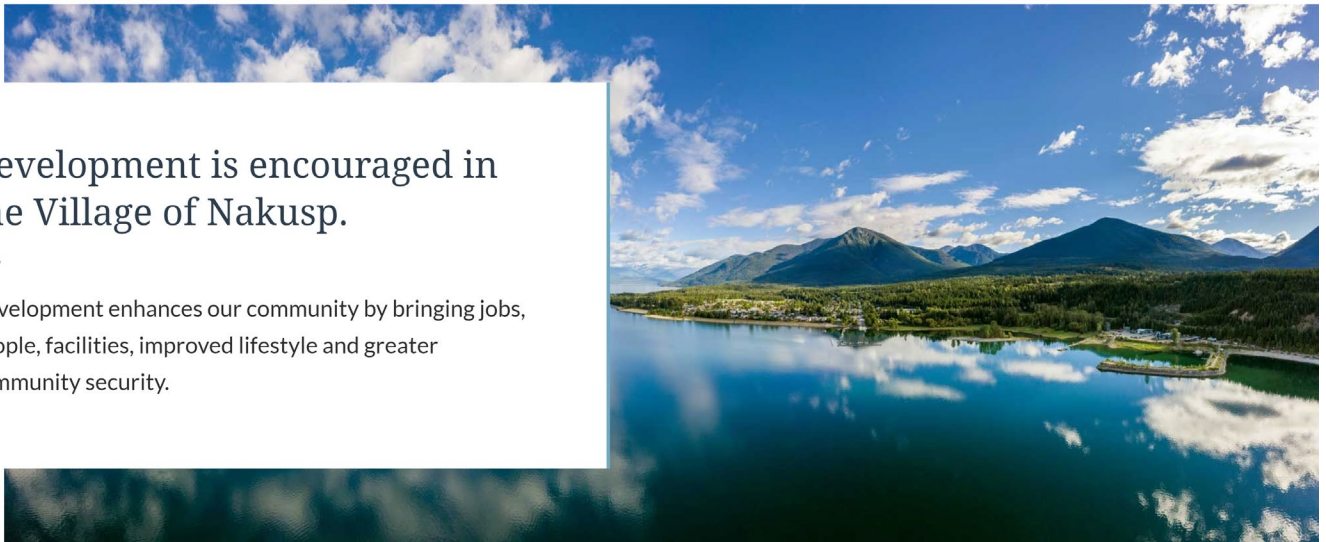
June 17th – Met with Investment Ready Committee. In the process of developing a website specific for Development/entrepreneurs and investment opportunities that will help guide you easily through this new website. Along with the benefits of developing in Nakusp...Stay Tuned.



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Development is encouraged in the Village of Nakusp.

Development enhances our community by bringing jobs, people, facilities, improved lifestyle and greater community security.



Picture - Courtesy of Kootenay Rockies Tourism that promotes tourism to our community.

Also note, at this meeting a decision was made to contribute all the remaining funds for the project towards the cost of developing the new Zoning Bylaw. Saving to the village of up to \$20,000!!! Thank you.....

June 11th – Attended BC Hydro’s update meeting for elected officials and key stakeholders.



Columbia River Treaty

Columbia River is the 4th largest in North America, but the greatest producer of power.

While only 15% of the watershed is in Canada, the Canadian portion provides on average ~35% of the total basin run-off.

The Columbia River Treaty provides flood risk management and increased power generation for Canada and the US.

Columbia River Treaty Entities include BC Hydro, Government of BC, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), and the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

Columbia River Treaty Dams & Reservoirs:

Mica Dam (Kinbasket Reservoir), Hugh Keenleyside Dam (Arrow Lakes Reservoir), and Duncan Dam (Duncan Reservoir). The Treaty also authorized Libby Dam (Kootenay Reservoir) in the United States, which

then backs into Canada.

June 23rd - Arrow Debris meeting Update with BC Hydro. Arrow Lakes Reservoir Forecast for 2021

□ Arrow is expected to reach a maximum level of about 1,441 feet (439.2 metres), 3 feet (1 metre) from full pool by mid-July, a similar level to in early August last year.

□ Arrow storage could return to proportional draft as early as July if dry conditions persist in the U.S.. Will be focusing this year on Windy Point, Beaton Arm, and Whiskey Point lots of debris in this area.

June 24th – Nakusp and Area Development Board Meeting NADB Strategic Planning 2021 Session. Attending were NADB board, CBT representative Linda Lafleur, Mark Tennant CFO, RDCK Paul Peterson, Area K was invited but could not attend but sent his comments/wishes..

Vision

To focus our efforts supporting economic priorities which garner broad community support, have potential to attract funding, and can lead to positive, practical outcomes for residents.

Mission

To acknowledge the importance of understanding the economic development priorities of community political leaders and funding bodies and aligning NADB activities and projects with these priorities.

Discussion round table - Successes last 10 years. Define progress for Nakusp and area. *Strengths. Weaknesses. Opportunities. Threats.* Headlines 3-5 years out? Strategic Goals for next 3-5 years

June 24th - Arrow Lakes Caribou Society Directors Meeting update.

Herd Update: Collar data shows 8 cows collared, possibly 2 calves alive of 6 born. Continual ongoing work on pen completion.

**June 25th – Meeting with CBT representative Dwayne Lau, Senior Manager, Information Services.
Discussion on future bridging steps in the community.**



July 5th – On-site to pick out the donation of logs (Logging Truck Loads) for the village breakwater from Mercer Celgar Pulp Ltd. They are available now for delivery to our marina.



Very much appreciate this generous donation to our community and thank you very much for your ongoing support.

Slocan Valley to Nakusp - Fibre Optic Backbone Project – Update

- Construction work began earlier this summer and is planned to extend into the fall.
- The key factor influencing timing is Project permitting continues to influence timing, however that dependency is slowly lessening. Environmental and habitat considerations are also a factor and drive certain requirements/scheduling for construction. Covid-19 also adds complexity. CBBC continues to actively work on the project.
- Overall project completion goal continues to be March 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Zeleznik, Mayor
Village of Nakusp