

# TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

## AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

4144 SPALLUMCHEEN WAY

SPALLUMCHEEN BC

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026 @ 5:30 PM



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1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Mayor will call the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 pm to convene into closed session. The Regular Council meeting is planned to commence at the regular time of 5:30 pm as outlined in section 2.2(b)(ii)(a) of the Township of Spallumcheen Council Procedure Bylaw No. 2067, 2022.

2. **CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION:**

*"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council requires, pursuant to Sections 90(1) of the Community Charter, that the public interest requires that persons other than Council Members and Officers be excluded from the meeting based on the following provisions:*

*(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;*

*(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;*

*(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interest of the municipality if they were held in public;*

*AND THAT, based on these provisions, Council continue the meeting in Closed Session at 4:\_\_\_pm.*

3. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:**

*"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, June 15, 2026 reconvene into open session at 5:30 pm."*

4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

*"...THAT the agenda for the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, June 15, 2026 be approved with the following:*

(a) **Additions**

(b) **Deletions**

5. **HEARING/PUBLIC HEARING:**

6. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:**

(a) Minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026

[11-June 1, 2026-MIN-Regular-DRAFT](#)

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**Recommendation:**

*"...THAT the minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council meeting held on Monday, June*

1, 2026 be adopted as presented."

(b) Minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Monday, Monday, June 1, 2026  
June 1, 2026 MIN-COTW-DRAFT

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**Manager Comments:**

There are 10 resolutions for Council to consider for ratification.

**Recommendation:**

**Resolution 1 - UBCM Meetings for Hullcar Aquifer:**

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen direct staff to arrange a meeting at the 2026 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) convention with the Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, along with any other relevant ministries, to seek clarity on the Province's planned actions regarding the Hullcar Aquifer and to explore potential solutions to address the ongoing and unacceptable nitrate levels being identified."

**Resolution 2 - Financial Governance Action Plan:**

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council receive the report from the Chief Financial Officer dated June 1, 2026 titled "Historical Unreconciled Financial Variance and Recommended Governance Action Plan" for information;

AND THAT Council direct administration to engage independent municipal local government financial expertise to conduct a comprehensive review of the historical unreconciled variance and related accounting practices;

AND THAT Council direct administration to report back to council to implement enhanced financial controls, reconciliation procedures, governance reporting measures as outlined in this report and costs associated with the independent review."

**Resolution 3 - Goose Lake Access Gates:**

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to notify the Regional District North Okanagan to leave the currently installed Goose Lake Access Gates in place, however, ensure that they modify the gates so that they do not swing out into the laneway to ensure public safety;

AND THAT staff notify the Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) that the three (3) access points previously approved by the RDNO to Lot 2 as outlined in the map attached to the Report from Manager of Strategic Priorities, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Goose Lake Access Gates - Okanagan Indian Band (OKIB) Properties, are in contravention of the Township of Spallumcheen Bylaw Highway and Traffic Regulation Bylaw No. 2085, 2022 and the property owner may be required to remove one in the future should the contravention become an issue."

**Resolution 4 - Southeast Sector Drainage:**

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to work with Urban Systems Ltd. to determine drainage infrastructure requirements as it relates to potential development in the Southeast (SE) Sector including:

1. Establishing baseline/existing conditions;
2. Outlining a technically and regulatorily acceptable approach to control flows in a way that mimics existing conditions and/or preserves the environmental value in the existing system/drainage corridor;
3. Identifies and evaluates options for a conceptual plan based on tasks 1 and 2;

AND THAT the work be funded in the amount of \$15,000 from the already budgeted Community Development Plan portion of Community Works funding."

Resolution 5 - BCTS Comments Scheduled for July:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council defer the BC Timber Sales - Rose Swanson Public Referral for FSP #771 request for comments until July pending the draft minutes from the Township of Spallumcheen Rose Swanson Planned Harvest Select Committee held Tuesday, April 21, 2026 are received by Council."

Resolution 6 - FCM Application for Climate Change Risk Assessment:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to apply for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Local Leadership for Climate Adaptation initiative to undertake a Climate Change Risk Assessment; AND THAT staff be directed to fund the \$73,000 cost of the Climate Change Risk Assessment as follows:

- \$69,350 from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Local Leadership for Climate Adaptation grant program
- \$3,650 from Community Works Funding through the Community Development Plan budgeted funds."

Resolution 7 - RDNO Building Inspection Agreement Renewal:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to renegotiate the Regional District of North Okanagan Building Inspection Agreement with new rates."

Resolution 8 - Delegation Request for BC Hydro to Attend Future Meeting:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to request David Cooper, Public Affairs Coordinator, BC Hydro, to attend a future Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss the BC Hydro Line Relocation Project."

Resolution 9 - Eagle Rock Road Bench:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to purchase a bench for \$250.00 to be installed and secured on Eagle Rock Road by the mailbox."

Resolution 10 - Chris Pieper Bursary Future Review:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council request the Township of Spallumcheen Chris Pieper Bursary No. 1770.001 be brought back to Council for review."

Minutes to Receive:

"...THAT the minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Committee of the Whole meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 be received."

- (c) Minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Rose Swanson Planned Harvest Select Committee Draft Minutes dated Tuesday, April 21, 2026 25 - 31  
[1-April 21, 2026-MIN-Rose Swanson Mountain Planned Harvest Select Committee Meeting-DRAFT](#)

**Recommendation:**

"...THAT the minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Rose Swanson Planned Harvest Select Committee meeting held on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 be received for information."

7. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES/AND OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- (a) Verbal Report from the Chief Administrative Officer - Re: Doug Holmes, Mayor, District of Summerland Presentation at the June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting - Re: Agricultural Municipality Initiative (AMI)

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[AMI proposal](#)

**Manager Comments:**

This item has been brought forward for discussion after the Monday, June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting presentation by Doug Holmes, Mayor, District of Summerland Presentation - Re: Agricultural Municipality Initiative (AMI)

Council options include:

1. Direct staff to respond with No Action
2. Support the Recommendation
3. Defer Decision to Another Time
4. Other Option from the Council

**Recommendation:**

Option 1 - Support AMI:

*"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to respond to the presenter Doug Holmes, Mayor, District of Summerland that the Township appreciates his presentation provided at the Monday, June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting and that the Township supports the following:*

1. *direct the Financial Department to conduct a Township analysis of taxation received from Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) lands vs operational and capital maintenance costs and submit it to the District of Summerland;*
2. *authorize the Township's participation in the 2026 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) meeting scheduled by the District of Summerland with the Minister of Agriculture and Food, the Honourable Lana Popham;*
3. *advocate locally to the Salmon Arm/Shuswap Member of the Legislative Assembly, David Williams, and invite him to the UBCM meeting, as well as advocate to the Township of Spallumcheen Agricultural Advisory Committee and the Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee;*
4. *agree in principle to contribute financially to the consultant costs related to the draft policy once Council is presented with the funding formula and provided information related to the consultant review and recommended proponent; and*
5. *Participate in a joint submission to the Select Standing Committee on Finance budget consultation (2027)."*

Option 2 - Non-Support AMI:

*"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen direct staff to respond to the presenter Doug Holmes, Mayor, District of Summerland that the Township appreciates his presentation provided at the Monday, June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting, however will not be supporting the Agricultural Municipality Initiative at this time due to the following:*

- *."*

- (b) Verbal Report from the Chief Financial Officer - Re: Terry Logan, Melodia Singers Presentation at the June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting

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for a Grant-in-Aid Application for Melodia Singers  
[Melodia Singers Grants in Aid Application May 2026](#)  
[Melodia Singers Operating Budget 2026](#)  
[Melodia Singers 2025 Income Expense Statement](#)  
[1850.001 Grants in Aid - Signed](#)

**Recommendation:**

Option 1:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen direct staff to respond to the presenter Terry Logan, Melodia Singers that the Township appreciates her presentation provided at the Monday, June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting, however will not be supporting a Grant-in-Aid at this time due to the following:

- ."

Option 2:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to respond to Terry Logan, Melodia Singers that the Township appreciates her Grant-in-Aid presentation provided at the Monday, June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting for 2026;

AND THAT the the Township supports \$\_\_\_\_\_ worth of funding towards sheet music for the year \_\_\_\_\_ and that the Chief Financial Officer be directed to amend the 2026-2030 Financial Plan accordingly."

8. **PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:**

9. **REPORTS:**

(a) **Staff Reports:**

- (i) Verbal Report from the Manager of Strategic Priorities - 2025 46 - 124  
Township of Spallumcheen Annual Report  
[2025 Township of Spallumcheen Annual Report](#)

**Manager Comments:**

Before June 30 each year, Council must :

- prepare an Annual Report,
- make it available for public inspection,
- have it available at a Council meeting, and
- provide opportunity for submissions and questions from the public.

The 2025 Township of Spallumcheen Annual Report was available on the Township website and in the municipal office beginning Monday, June 1, 2026. Notifications were posted on the website, via newsletter and advertised on the Township's social media channels.

Please note: A draft version of the Township of Spallumcheen Financial Statements to December 31, 2025 are included in the 2025 Annual Report. Council will be reviewing the final version of the Financial Statements at an upcoming Special Council Meeting. The meeting will be posted in the Township portal found here: <https://spallumcheen.civicweb.net/Portal/>. Once they are officially approved and accepted by the Township Council in an open meeting they will be included in the Final 2025 Annual Report available on the Township's Website at [www.spallumcheentwp.bc.ca](http://www.spallumcheentwp.bc.ca) with paper copies available during regular office hours at the municipal office located at 4144 Spallumcheen Way, Spallumcheen, BC. If you have any questions please contact the Township via:

- Email: mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca
- Phone: 250-546-3013
- Toll Free: 1-866-546-3013
- Fax: 1-250-546-8878

**Annual Report Presentation Process:**

1. The Manager of Strategic Priorities will introduce the Report & Answer Questions of Council.
2. Mayor Fraser will provide opportunity for Submissions & Questions from the Public

**Recommendation:**

*"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council, after providing opportunity for submissions and questions from the public, adopt the Township of Spallumcheen 2025 Annual Report as presented with the draft Township of Spallumcheen Financial Statements to December 31, 2025;*

*AND THAT once the Township of Spallumcheen Financial Statements have been approved and accepted by Council at an open meeting, Council directs staff to include them in the final version of the 2025 Township of Spallumcheen Annual Report;*

*AND FINALLY THAT Council approve the 2025 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) as presented in the 2025 Annual Report."*

(b) **Chief Administrative Officer's Report:**

(c) **Council Reports (Matters not addressed at COTW meeting)**

10. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

(a) **Requests:**

- (i) Letter from McLeod Road and Heighton Road residents date May 21, 2026 - Re: Request for additional signage on McLeod and Heighton Roads. 125

[2026-05-21-LTR-McLeod Residents-Speed Sign Rqst](#)

- (ii) Email from Colette and Allan Starheim dated June 4, 2026 - Re: Goose Lake Access Corridor, OKIB Access Gate Removal, Speed Bumps, Security Gate & Impact Studies. 126 - 127

[2026-06-04-](#)

[EML from Colette & Allan Starheim Re Goose Lake Access Corridor](#)

(b) **Receive & File:**

- (i) Email from Okanagan Basin Water Board dated June 5, 2026 - Re: June 2026 Water Board Report Highlights 128 - 137

[2026-06-05-EML from Okanagan Basin Water Board](#)

- (ii) Email from Okanagan Basin Water Board dated May 28, 2026 - Re: 2026 Drought Bulletin 138 - 143

[Okanagan Starts Season at Drought Level 5 Check local restrictions and conserve water now](#)

11. **BYLAWS:**

- (a) Adoption of the Township of Spallumcheen Zoning Text Amendment Bylaw No 2193, 2026 (File No. 26-0440-TA) 144 - 145

[Bylaw 2193 2026 ZTA](#)

**Manager Comments:**

This bylaw received three readings at the Monday, May 19, 2026 Regular Council Meeting and received Ministry of Transportation and Transit on Monday, June 1, 2026. It is in order that the bylaw be considered for adoption.

12. **NEW BUSINESS:**

13. **QUESTION PERIOD - SUSPENDED:**

- (a) Verbal Report from Corporate Officer/DCAO - Re: Township of Spallumcheen Agenda-Question Period Temporary Suspension in an Election Year Policy No. 550.002 146  
[550.002 Agenda - Question Period Temporary Suspension in An Election Year](#)

**Manager Comments:**

As per the Policy attached the following notation/directive is provided:

***"Question Period is Suspended for 6 months prior to municipal election in any given year - Saturday October 17, 2026"***

14. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Township of Spallumcheen Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 7:00 pm
- Canada Day Office Closure Wednesday, July 1, 2026
- Canada Day Celebration at Memorial Park in Armstrong Wednesday, July 1, 2026 at 4:00 pm
- Property Tax Due Date Thursday, July 2, 2026 (*Remember to Claim your Home Owner Grant prior to the July 2, 2026 Deadline [HERE](#)*)
- Committee of the Whole Meeting Monday, July 20, 2026 at 9:00 am
- Regular Council Meeting Monday, July 20, 2026 at 5:30 pm

15. **DECLASSIFIED MATTERS FROM IN CAMERA:**

16. **ADJOURNMENT:**

*"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council meeting held on Monday, June 15, 2026 adjourn at \_\_\_\_ pm."*



**TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN**

**Minutes of a Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 in the Council Chambers located at 4144 Spallumcheen Way, Spallumcheen, BC**

- COUNCIL:** Mayor Christine Fraser  
 Councillors: John Bakker, Andrew Casson (*electronic at 5:30 pm*), Christine LeMaire, Gerry Popoff, Joe Van Tienhoven & \*Todd York (*electronic at 5:30 pm*)
- STAFF:** Doug Allin, Chief Administrative Officer  
 Cindy Webb, Corporate Officer  
 Lisa Gyorkos, Manager of Strategic Priorities
- OTHERS:** 0 Members of the Public

*\*Electronic participation*

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**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Christine Fraser called the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 to order at 11:35 am.

**2. CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION:**

**176/2026 LeMaire/Casson: THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council, pursuant to Sections 90(1) of the Community Charter, that the public interest requires that persons other than Council Members and Officers be excluded from the meeting based on the following provisions:**

- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;**
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interest of the municipality if they were held in public;**
- (o) the consideration of whether the authority under section 91 [other persons attending closed meetings] should be exercised in relation to a council meeting;**

**AND THAT, based on these provisions, Council continue the Monday, June 1, 2026 meeting in Closed Session at 11:36 am.**

**CARRIED**

**3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND RECESS UNTIL THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED TIME OF 5:30 PM:**

**177/2026 Popoff/LeMaire: THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council reconvene the Monday, June 1, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 1:38 pm and recess until the regularly scheduled time of 5:30 pm.**

**CARRIED**

4. **RECONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND CALL OPEN SESSION TO ORDER AT 5:30 PM:**

178/2026 Bakker/LeMaire: *THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 reconvene and call Open Session back into order at 5:30 pm.*

**CARRIED**

5. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

179/2026 Van Tienhoven/Popoff: *THAT the agenda for the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 be approved as presented.*

**CARRIED**

6. **HEARING/PUBLIC HEARING:**

7. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:**

(a) **Minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026**

180/2026 LeMaire/Bakker: *THAT the minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 be adopted with the following underlined wording change as outlined in Resolution No. 171/2026 to provide the Petition to the Greater Vernon Advisory Committee (GVAC) as follows:*

*“...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to provide the petition submitted via Email from Jana Luers and Stepping Stones Community dated April 16, 2026 - Re: Community Petition Submission - Stepping Stones/Goose Lake Range Park Access Road to the Greater Vernon Advisory Committee and direct the item back to the Monday, June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting for continued discussion.*

**CARRIED**

(b) **Minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025**

181/2026 Popoff/Bakker: *THAT the minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 be received.*

**CARRIED**

(c) **Minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, November 19, 2025**

182/2026 Popoff/Bakker: *THAT the minutes of the Township of Spallumcheen Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 be received.*

**CARRIED**

8. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND/OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

9. **PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:**

10. **REPORTS:**

11. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

12. **BYLAWS:**

13. **NEW BUSINESS:**

14. **QUESTION PERIOD:**

15. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Armstrong Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Monday, June 15, 2026 at 1:00 pm
- Regular Council Meeting Monday, June 15, 2026 at 5:30 pm
- Canada Day Office Closure Wednesday, July 1, 2026
- Canada Day Celebration at Memorial Park in Armstrong Wednesday, July 1, 2026 at 4:00 pm
- Property Tax Due Date Thursday, July 2, 2026. (Remember to Claim your Home Owner Grant prior to the July 2, 2026 Deadline)

16. **CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION:**

17. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:**

18. **DECLASSIFIED MATTERS FROM IN CAMERA:**

19. **ADJOURNMENT:**

***184/2026 York/Casson: THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 adjourn at 5:32 pm.***

**CARRIED**

Certified Correct:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporate Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Christine Fraser

Adopted by Council on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.



**TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN**

**Minutes of a Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 in the Council Chambers located at 4144 Spallumcheen Way, Spallumcheen, BC**

**COMMITTEE:** Mayor Christine Fraser  
Councillors: John Bakker, Andrew Casson, Christine LeMaire, Gerry Popoff, Joe Van Tienhoven & Todd York (left at 1:42 pm)

**STAFF:** Doug Allin, Chief Administrative Officer  
Cindy Webb, Corporate Officer  
Sandra McCrea, Chief Financial Officer (arrived at 9:45 am)  
Tyler McNeill, Manager of Operations  
Lisa Gyorkos, Manager of Strategic Priorities (arrived at 10:30 am)  
*\*Maureen Williamson, Office Clerk III (left the meeting at 11:36 am)*

**OTHERS:** 2 Members of the Public

*\*electronic attendance*

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**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Christine Fraser called the Township of Spallumcheen Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 to order at 9:00 am.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

***LeMaire/Casson: THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda for Monday, June 1, 2026 be approved with one change to the order of the agenda that the Business Arising Agenda Items 3(a) and 3(b) be discussed after the Petitions and Delegations Agenda Item 4(a), 4(b) and 4(c) to allow the Delegations to be the first order of business; and***

***(a) Additions***

***(i) Under Staff Reports Agenda Item 5(a)(vii) Report from Manager of Strategic Priorities, dated June 1, 2026 – Re: Climate Change Risk Assessment Funding Program.***

***(b) Deletions***

***(i) Under Staff Reports Agenda Item 5(a)(i) Report from Chief Financial Officer, dated June 1, 2026 – Re: Audit update.***

**CARRIED**

**3. BUSINESS ARISING OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**(a) Deferred by Council - Email from Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, Watershed Stewardship and Security Branch, dated March, 18, 2026 - Re: Assessment of Human Health Risk of Nitrates in Drinking Water in the Hullcar Clcahl Valley**

This item was addressed after Agenda Item 4 Petitions and Delegations.

**(b) Deferred by Council - Petition: Stepping Stones Community Petition: Installation of Security Gate to Goose Lake Range Park Access**

This item was addressed after Agenda Item 4 Petitions and Delegations.

**4. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:****(a) 9:00 am - 9:30 am Delegation: Melissa Tesche, Executive Director, Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB) - Re: Presentation on the Okanagan Basin Water Board's 2026-2030 Strategic Direction**

Melissa Tesche, Executive Director, Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB) was in attendance to present the Board's 2026-2030 Strategic Direction along with updates on Regional Programs. She also reported on the upcoming Water Management Program's 20th Anniversary Celebration scheduled for September 11, 2026 in Kelowna, BC.

She noted the following:

- Okanagan Basin Water Board is a provincially mandated authority.
- Focusing on three key things this year:
  1. Drought
  2. Invasive Mussels
  3. Increase in toxins from algae
- Invasive Mussels have now been detected in Manitoba.
- A new invasive mussel, the Golden Mussel, has been discovered and it is thriving in lower mainland waterways.

**(b) 9:30 am - 10:00 am Delegation: Doug Holmes, Mayor, District of Summerland - Re: Agricultural Municipality Initiative (AMI)**

Doug Holmes, Mayor of the District of Summerland, was in attendance to request that the Township, as an agricultural community, do an analysis comparing property taxes collected from Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) lands with the consideration around operational and capital maintenance obligations. Following the Rural Municipal Initiative (RMI) model, the District of Summerland has submitted a proposal to the Province for an Agricultural Municipality Initiative (AMI). This initiative aims to support small farming municipalities in maintaining and developing infrastructure that strengthens agricultural operations and enhances provincial food security. Mayor Doug Holmes is asking the Township to consider preparing a similar analysis evaluating ALR property tax revenues against ongoing operational and capital maintenance costs. The intention is for collective advocacy to help demonstrate to the province the role of small municipalities in providing infrastructure to sustain agriculture.

**Discussion:**

- Spallumcheen was significantly impacted by Bill 8.
- Class 9 (farm) taxation model is a concern, as land values continue to increase, while the Province attempts to keep assessed farm values low.
- Property tax revenues from agricultural land are not keeping pace with rising costs and responsibilities.
- The Province collects substantial revenue through the Property Transfer Tax, in some cases exceeding multiple years of municipal property tax revenue.
- Potential to update farm status criteria, including:

- Increasing the minimum farm income threshold which will inevitably affect small-scale farmers.
- Raising thresholds to better reflect modern farming economics while protecting small operations.
- alternative funding sources should be considered, including contributions from large industrial agricultural operations, while avoiding additional burdens on smaller farms.
- Key components of the AMI program should include:
  - Keep the program simple and flexible.
  - Ensure local control over funding use, with no restrictive provincial conditions.
  - Recognize infrastructure priorities differ across municipalities and that individual Municipalities are allowed to define infrastructure needs through their asset management plans.
  - Establish shared parameters collaboratively across participating municipalities.
  - Potentially follow the Resort Municipality (RMI) model, including multi-year (e.g., three-year) funding plans.
- The request submitted includes the following recommendation:
  1. Conduct analysis of taxation received from ALR lands vs operational and capital maintenance costs
  2. Participate in UBCM meeting with Minister Popham
  3. Advocate locally (MLA, farming community, others)
  4. Contribute to policy draft
  5. Participate in joint submission to Select Standing Committee on Finance budget consultation (2027)

Mayor Fraser thanked Mr. Holmes for attending the meeting noting Council will consider the request and get back to him in due course.

Sandra McCrea, Chief Financial Officer, arrived to the meeting at 9:45 am.

**(c) 10:00 am - 10:30 am Delegation: Terry Logan, Melodia Singers - Re: Grant in Aid Application for Melodia Singers**

Terry Logan, Choir Director, Melodia Singers, was in attendance to request support for a \$500 Grant in Aid to support the 4th Annual "A Hometown Christmas" concert held on December 12, 2026 at the Armstrong Bible Chapel in the City of Armstrong. The Township of Spallumcheen Grants-in Aid Policy No. 1850.001 is attached outlining the Township's criteria for grant-in-aid noting support requires 2/3 vote of Council.

She advised the majority of the funds will be used to purchase the sheet music for the concert.

**Discussion:**

- Grant-in-Aid's generally are allocated to capital expenses, not necessarily a specific community event.
- Council advised the Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce is a great resource for arts grant funding opportunities.

Mayor Fraser thanked Ms. Logan for attending the meeting noting Council will consider the request and get back to her in due course.

Lisa Gyorkos, Manager of Strategic Priorities, arrived to the meeting at 10:30 am.

### **3. BUSINESS ARISING & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **(a) Deferred by Council - Email from Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, Watershed Stewardship and Security Branch, dated March, 18, 2026 - Re: Assessment of Human Health Risk of Nitrates in Drinking Water in the Hullcar Clcahl Valley**

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that at the Monday, April 13, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Council deferred this item to the June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting under the following recommendation:

*"...THAT the Committee recommends to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council defer the report to the Monday, June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting to allow time for Council to meet with Splatsin regarding the Clahl/Hullcar aquifer Proposed governance structure;*

*AND THAT the Township does not take a position on actions relating to the protection plan of the Clcahl/Hullcar Aquifer dated June, 2025."*

#### **Discussion:**

- A date has not been set for a council-to-council meeting with Splatsin Chief and Council.
- Concerns noted that Spallumcheen is not explicitly mentioned in the report.
- Concerns that there has been limited stakeholder inclusion in discussions. Is the Township a member of the committee or a participant in the process?
- Concerns noted that the Township needs to clarify what the Terms of Reference process is.
- The Township has been asked to sign a non-disclosure agreement in the past.
- The current report highlights contamination in both shallow and deep aquifers but lacks solutions—especially for the shallow aquifer.
- Deep confined aquifer contamination is reported as high as 5 parts per million (ppm) and appears to have doubled over time.
- Nitrate levels have reached approximately 35 ppm.
- Concerns were raised that older reports and data were used potentially affecting accuracy.
- Council would like the Townships response to note that they recommend ongoing testing be done near Jansen Farms and Grace Mar Farms.
- Province needs to make testing mandatory rather than voluntary.
- Lack of solutions as the report focussed on problems and not remediation.
- Transparency issues regarding unpublished data.

Lisa Gyorkos, Manager of Strategic Priorities arrived to the meeting at 10:30 am.

***Casson/York: THAT the Committee recommends to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen direct staff to arrange a meeting at the 2026 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) convention with the Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, along with any other relevant ministries, to seek clarity on the Province's planned actions regarding the Hullcar Aquifer and to explore potential solutions to address the ongoing and unacceptable nitrate levels being identified.***

**CARRIED**

**(b) Deferred by Council - Petition: Stepping Stones Community Petition: Installation of Security Gate to Goose Lake Range Park Access**

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that at the Tuesday, May 19, 2026 Regular Council Meeting, Council resolved to defer this item under the following resolution:

*"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council defer the petition submitted via Email from Jana Luers and Stepping Stones Community dated April 16, 2026 - Re: Community Petition Submission - Stepping Stones/Goose Lake Range Park Access Road to the Monday, June 1, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting for continued discussion."*

Discussion:

- The direction from the Tuesday, May 19, 2026 was to refer the petition from Jana Luers, Stepping Stones Resident to Greater Vernon Advisory Committee for information and include past information provided to residents along with historical minutes regarding the Regional District on North Okanagan's proposed Goose Lake Trail plan. The Regular Council meeting minutes will be addressed at the Regular Council meeting.

**5. REPORTS:**

**(a) Staff Reports**

**(i) Report from Chief Financial Officer, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: 2025 Year End Audit Update**

This item was directed to fall under Approval of the Agenda item 2(b)(i) and be deleted from the agenda as it was circulated in error. Report item 5(a)(ii) is the correct report.

**(ii) Report from Chief Financial Officer, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Township of Spallumcheen Historical Unreconciled Financial Variance and Recommended Governance Action Plan**

The Chief Administrative Officer introduced the report dated June 1, 2026 regarding a Historical Unreconciled Financial Variance and Recommended Governance Action Plan.

During the current audit process, The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) identified an unexplained historical variance estimated at approximately \$1 million dollars within the organization's financial records. Preliminary review indicates the variances may have existed for multiple years and may have historically been managed through balancing adjustments or "plug" entries to facilitate completion of annual financial statements.

Discussion:

- Variance dates back to at least 2022.
- The Chief Financial Officer clarified funds are not missing that this is just an issue with how the entries were transferred between the General Ledger (GL) accounts and not related to the actual funds.
- The Township has an excessive amount of general ledger and bank accounts, making reconciliation challenging and the Chief Financial Officer is looking to simplify this model to align with the direction that other municipalities are going.

- The Township notified the Province who has indicated that the Township has until the end of July to provide financial reporting to the province or we risk our grant funding potential.
- The Chief Financial Officer is putting in place working papers and other safeguards so that future staff do not have to undertake this exercise again.
- When we switched auditors and with the turnover in Financial staff historic knowledge was lost that would have potentially sped up the review and reconciliation process and this meant that the current team had to start from scratch.

**Casson/Bakker: THAT the Committee recommends to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council receive the report from the Chief Financial Officer dated June 1, 2026 titled "Historical Unreconciled Financial Variance and Recommended Governance Action Plan" for information;**

**AND THAT Council direct administration to engage independent municipal local government financial expertise to conduct a comprehensive review of the historical unreconciled variance and related accounting practices;**

**AND THAT Council direct administration to report back to council to implement enhanced financial controls, reconciliation procedures, governance reporting measures as outlined in this report and costs associated with the independent review.**

**CARRIED**

Sandra McCrea, Chief Financial Officer, left the meeting at 11:08 am.

**(iii) Report from Manager of Strategic Priorities, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Goose Lake Access Gates- Okanagan Indian Band (OKIB) Properties**

The Manager of Strategic Priorities introduced the report dated June 1, 2026 regarding Goose Lake Access Gates - Okanagan Indian Band (OKIB) Properties. Council previously requested that staff notify the Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) that two of the gates installed to access OKIB properties from the Goose Lake Range Park access lane be removed to align with the Township of Spallumcheen Highway and Traffic Regulation Bylaw No. 2085, 2022 which allows for up to two access points per property. Staff have reached out to the CP holder and OKIB Lands who both were able to confirm that there are multiple separate parcels along this section of fencing. OKIB Lands department has advised that all gates for access should remain as each parcel would be entitled to 2 gates so that there could be as many as 10 access points and there are currently only 5 within this section.

**Discussion:**

- Preliminary discussions with the OKIB property owner regarding the additional non-compliant gate have been volatile.
- RDNO approved the gates contrary to the Township bylaw.
- OKIB property owner could seek a variance to allow the additional access gate.

**York/Bakker: THAT the Committee recommend to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to notify the Regional District North Okanagan to leave the currently installed Goose Lake Access Gates in place, however, ensure that they modify the gates so that they do not swing out into the laneway to ensure public safety;**

**AND THAT staff notify the Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) that the three (3) access points previously approved by the RDNO to Lot 2 as outlined in the map attached to the Report from Manager of Strategic Priorities, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Goose Lake Access Gates - Okanagan Indian Band (OKIB) Properties, are in contravention of the Township of Spallumcheen Bylaw Highway and Traffic Regulation Bylaw No. 2085, 2022 and the property owner may be required to remove one in the future should the contravention become an issue.**

**CARRIED**

**Mayor Fraser and Councillor LeMaire OPPOSED**

**LeMaire/Casson: THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Committee of the Whole Meeting recess at 11:34 am.**

**CARRIED**

**Van Tienhoven/Bakker: THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Committee of the Whole Meeting reconvene at 1:38 pm.**

**CARRIED**

Mayor Christine Fraser excused herself from the meeting at 1:38 pm noting a potential Conflict of Interest due to her family owning property in the Southeast Sector.

Councillor John Bakker resumed the meeting as Chair at 1:39 pm.

**(iv) Report from Manager of Strategic Priorities, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Southeast Sector Drainage Requirements Review**

The Manager of Strategic Priorities introduced the report dated June 1, 2026 regarding Southeast Sector Drainage Requirements Review. Based on recent development interest in the SE Sector, an update to the area plan is recommended to reflect current Township of Spallumcheen plans, the imminent construction of the North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project (NOWRP), and recent legislation changes.

**Discussion:**

- The Chief Administrative Officer noted that there are a series of projects that will be coming forward to Council under the Community Development Plan to ensure that the Township is ready to work with developers and those properties looking

Councillor Todd York left the meeting at 1:42 pm.

**Van Tienhoven/Popoff: THAT the Committee recommend to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to work with Urban Systems Ltd. to determine drainage infrastructure requirements as it relates to potential development in the Southeast (SE) Sector including:**

- 1. Establishing baseline/existing conditions;**
- 2. Outlining a technically and regulatorily acceptable approach to control flows in a way that mimics existing conditions and/or preserves the environmental value in the existing system/drainage corridor;**
- 3. Identifies and evaluates options for a conceptual plan based on tasks 1 and 2;**

**AND THAT the work be funded in the amount of \$15,000 from the already budgeted Community Development Plan portion of Community Works funding.**

**CARRIED**

Mayor Fraser returned to the meeting and resumed as Chair at 1:58 pm.

**(v) Verbal Report from Manager of Strategic Priorities - Re: Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Convention - Re: 2026 UBCM Minister and Ministerial Staff Meeting Requests and Registration**

The Manager of Strategic Priorities provided a verbal report regarding 2026 UBCM Minister and Ministerial Staff Meeting Requests and conference registration.

She advised registration for UBCM opens on July 2 and requested confirmation of Council members attendance to prepare registration information and secure accommodations. The following Council members confirmed their plans to attend:

- Mayor Christine Fraser
- Councillor Gerry Popoff
- Councillor John Bakker
- Councillor Joe Van Tienhoven

Additionally, staff requested direction from Council as to what topics they would like to address and with what Ministries they would like to request meetings with.

**Discussion:**

- Council indicated if there were ongoing historic issues to discuss or if there were more than 3 topics to request a meeting with Ministry staff instead of the Minister as the meeting times were longer.

The following meeting requests were discussed:

**1. Meeting with Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) staff**

- Water scarcity and well approvals
- Emergency – temporary entry during emergency – digital tool roll out
- Agri-Hub – future development needs support of non-temporary approvals to attract investors.
- Upland agricultural water– Procter Lake project
- Hullcar Nutrient concerns and the Assessment of Human Health Risk of Nitrates in Drinking Water in the Hullcar Clcahl Valley report

**2. Meeting with Agricultural Land Commission (ALC)**

- Agri-Hub - future development needs support of non-temporary approvals to attract investors
- Hullcar Nutrient concerns and the Assessment of Human Health Risk of Nitrates in Drinking Water in the Hullcar Clcahl Valley report

**3. Meeting with Municipal Affairs and Housing MoMAH**

- Updates on projects and supporting housing goals
- Building Canada Fund

4. Meeting with Minister of State for Local Governments and Rural Communities (MoSLGRC)
  - Discuss challenges with escalating costs on projects due to provincial requirements
  - Heritage designation and reassessing high, mid, low consequence mapping
5. Meeting with Minister of Transportation and Transit (MoTT)
  - Highway 97A safety improvements and paving plans
  - OCP/AG/IND Corridor to look at options for Highway 97A
6. Meeting with Ministry of Water Land & Resource Stewardship (MoWLRs) staff
  - Highway 97A safety improvements and paving plans
  - Challenges with Section 11 applications/approvals
  - Water licensing in Spallumcheen for Agricultural water including map of the area where water licensing is available
  - Hullcar Nutrient concerns and the Assessment of Human Health Risk of Nitrates in Drinking Water in the Hullcar Clcahl Valley report
  - Logging/mining activities in watershed source protection areas (Rose Swanson/Fortune)
7. Meeting with Minister of Forests
  - Logging and watersheds (Rose Swanson Mountain/Fortune Creek Watershed-Silver Star Lakes)

**(vi) Verbal Report from Manager of Strategic Priorities - Re: BC Timber Sales - Rose Swanson Public Referral for FSP #771**

The Manager of Strategic Priorities provided a verbal report regarding BC Timber Sales - Rose Swanson Public Referral for FSP #771. The public is invited to review and comment on proposed road construction, cut block development and road deactivation within the BC Timber Sales Okanagan-Columbia's (BCTS TOC) Forest Development Units in the Okanagan-Shuswap and Selkirk Natural Resource Districts. Written comments regarding road and block development must be received by September 24, 2026.

Discussion:

- BC Timber Sales to present to Rose Swanson Harvesting Select Committee
- Draft minutes from the April 21, 2026 Rose Swanson Harvesting Select Committee to come forward to the June 15, 2026 Regular agenda for Council information and receipt.

***Casson/Bakker: THAT the Committee recommends to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council defer the BC Timber Sales - Rose Swanson Public Referral for FSP #771 request for comments until July pending the draft minutes from the Township of Spallumcheen Rose Swanson Planned Harvest Select Committee held Tuesday, April 21, 2026 are received by Council.***

**CARRIED**

**(vii) Report from Manager of Strategic Priorities, dated June 1, 2026 – Re: Climate Change Risk Assessment Funding Program**

The Manager of Strategic Priorities introduced the report dated June 1, 2026 regarding the Climate Change Risk Assessment Funding Program. As grant funding applications become more competitive and it becomes more difficult to access funds this program may help to make the Township more competitive in addition to supporting our CDP goals related to environmental stewardship and protection of natural assets.

***Bakker/Popoff: THAT the Committee recommends to Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to apply for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Local Leadership for Climate Adaptation initiative to undertake a Climate Change Risk Assessment; AND THAT staff be directed to fund the \$73,000 cost of the Climate Change Risk Assessment as follows:***

- *\$69,350 from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Local Leadership for Climate Adaptation grant program*
- *\$3,650 from Community Works Funding through the Community Development Plan budgeted funds.*

**CARRIED**

**(b) Chief Administrative Officer's Report**

**(i) Verbal Report - Re: Regional District of North Okanagan Building Inspection Agreement - Proposed 2 Year Extension**

The Chief Administrative Officer provided a verbal report regarding the Regional District of North Okanagan Building Inspection Agreement - Proposed 2 Year Extension.

***Popoff/Casson: THAT the Committee recommends to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to renegotiate the Regional District of North Okanagan Building Inspection Agreement with new rates.***

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Verbal Report - Re: BC Hydro Line Relocation Project – Armstrong**

The Chief Administrative Officer provided a verbal report regarding the BC Hydro Line Relocation Project in the City of Armstrong along Highway 97A.

***Van Tienhoven/Popoff: THAT the Committee recommends to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to request David Cooper, Public Affairs Coordinator, BC Hydro, to attend a future Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss the BC Hydro Line Relocation Project.***

**CARRIED**

**(c) Council Reports**

**(i) Verbal Report from Councillor Gerry Popoff – Re: Various Topics**

**1. Request for Bench on Eagle Rock Road at Mailbox**

Councillor Popoff reported that a bench at the Eagle Rock Road mailbox has been requested by local senior residents to allow for them to rest when getting their mail.

**Van Tienhoven/Popoff: THAT the Committee recommends to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to purchase a bench for \$250.00 to be installed and secured on Eagle Rock Road by the mailbox.**

**CARRIED**

**2. Chris Pieper Bursary Recipients**

Councillor Popoff attended the PVSS Scholarship Donor Appreciation Tea on Friday, May 29, 2026 where he had the opportunity to meet and congratulate the three (3) Township's bursary recipients.

**LeMaire/Casson: THAT the Committee recommends to Council that the Township of Spallumcheen Council request the Township of Spallumcheen Chris Pieper Bursary No. 1770.001 be brought back to Council for review.**

**CARRIED**

**3. McLeod Road/Heighton Road**

Councillor Popoff advised that he has been made aware that there isn't clear speeds identified on Heighton Road. The Corporate Officer advised that the Township has received what appears to be a petition that doesn't quite meet the requirements that will come forward to the Monday, June 15, 2026 Regular Council meeting under Correspondence/Requests related to speed sign requests on Heighton Road.

**4. Chip Sealing**

Councillor Popoff inquired regarding the chip sealing project. The CAO advised that it is in the 2027 capital budget.

**5. Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee**

Councillor Popoff advised that the Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee has requested that an Agricultural Land Commission study come forward.

**6. Clean Farm Recycling Program**

Councillor Popoff advised that assisting agricultural producers with recycling is still something that the community would like. He has provided information to Lara Frank, Planning Manager, Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) is looking into it.

**7. Splatsin/Impacts on Farming Application Times**

Councillor Popoff noted that with the concerns regarding unconfined aquifers may impact farming applications. The matter could be considered at the next collaborate meeting.

**(ii) Verbal Report from Mayor Christine Fraser – Re: Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO) Board Meeting – AAP NOWRP for Okanagan Basin Water Board**

Mayor Christine Fraser provided an update regarding the RDNO Board meeting and provided updates on the following:

- Electoral Areas B & C Alternative Approval Process has commenced for the North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project (NOWRP). The funding is supported by the Okanagan Basin Water Board.
- Provincial Government introduction of Forest Landscape Plans and upcoming public consultation sessions in Vernon and Salmon Arm. There are indigenous and historical values in the watershed. Could ask the City to provide a presentation. Because of the watershed there must be public consultation. The CAO advised that it would be best to get the plan last for review so the Township Council can see any comments/changes.
- Greater Vernon Water (GVW) provided a staff report regarding multi-family housing and potential impacts to Stepping Stones water users. The report states there is not enough water to meet fire flows. This means GVW may need to restrict multi-family which could impact Stepping Stones residents. The CAO noted that they cannot down zone and may of the lots in Stepping Stones size exceeds the minimum lot size for small holding. Mayor Fraser recommended a staff person be at the next GVW meeting when it is discussed. Mayor Fraser did recommend that the technical Memorandum be provided to the Township.
- Provincial Government introduction of Forest Landscape Plans and upcoming public consultation sessions in Vernon and Salmon Arm

**(iii) Verbal Report from Councillor Andrew Casson – Re: O’Keefe Ranch**

Councillor Andrew Casson provided a report regarding the O’Keefe Ranch.

**(d) Monthly Departmental Reports**

**(i) Report from the Chief Administrative Officer, Council and Legislative Services Department, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Monthly Activity Report - May 2026**

The Chief Administrative Officer’s report was available for Council questions.

**(ii) Report from Corporate Officer, Corporate Services Department, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Monthly Activity Report - May 2026**

The Corporate Officer’s report was available for Council questions.

**(iii) Report from Chief Financial Officer, Financial Services Department, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Monthly Activity Report - May 2026**

The Corporate Officer’s report was available for Council questions.

**(i) Report from Chief Financial Officer, Financial Services Department, dated May 4, 2026 - Re: Monthly Activity Report - April 2026**

The Chief Financial Officer’s report was available for Council questions.

**(iv) Report from Planning and Development Services Department, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Monthly Activity Report - May 2026**

The Planning and Development Services Department’s report was available for Council questions.

- (v) Report from Manager of Operations, Operations Department, dated June 1, 2026 - Re: Monthly Activity Report - May 2026

The Manager of Operations report was available for Council questions.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

(a) **Requests:**

- (i) Letter from Cam Jammers Car Club, dated May 14, 2026 - Re: Request for Support for August 15, 2026 Rods 'n Rails Event

The Cam Jammers Car Club is seeking support (financial or goods and services) for their annual car show in Armstrong on Saturday, August 15, 2026. Council discussion was that staff provide whatever we have that would be appropriate.

(b) **Receive & File Provincial and Federal:**

- (i) News Article from BC Government, dated May 11, 2026 - Re: Improving Emergency Preparedness with New Regulations

- (ii) Email from Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM), dated May 12, 2026 - Re: Update on UBCM's Advocacy on the Heritage Conservation Act

Noted for information.

- (iii) Email from Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, dated May 21, 2026 - Re: May 2026 newsletter

- (iv) Email from BC Government, dated May 25, 2026 - Re: Inviting southern Thompson Okanagan residents to help guide forest management

(c) **Receive & File General**

- (i) Email from Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO), dated May 13, 2026 - Re: Proposal: Regional Water Conservation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

- (ii) Email from Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB), dated May 14, 2026 - Re: OBWB Approves 2026–2030 Strategic Direction

- (iii) Letter from Interior Health, dated May 14, 2026 - Re: Is Your Community Ready for Heat and Wildfire Smoke

- (iv) Email from Collaborative Leadership Table, dated May 14, 2026 - Re: Drought Forecast Worrisome

- (v) Email from National Dental Care Day Foundation, dated May 18, 2026 - Re: Proclamation Request - National Dental Care Day - October 10, 2026

Staff have responded advising of the Township's policy in relation to proclamation requests.

- (vi) Letter from District of Saanich, dated May 19, 2026 - Re: BC Local Government Climate Action Program Funding Continuation
- (vii) Email from Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB), dated May 20, 2026 - Re: Okanagan Resilience Starts With You
- (viii) Letter from District of Saanich, dated May 21, 2026 - Re: Request for Dedicated Provincial Funding to Support Municipalities That Achieve Provincially Mandated Housing Targets
- (ix) Email from FireSmart BC, dated May 28, 2026 - Re: May Newsletter

(d) Receive & File Community

- (i) Letter from First Quartz Corp., dated April 24, 2026 - Re: Notice of Mining Exploration Program in the Fortune Creek Community Watershed

7. NEW BUSINESS:

8. ADJOURNMENT

*LeMaire: THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2026 adjourn at 3:20 pm.*

**CARRIED**

Certified Correct:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporate Officer

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Chair

Resolutions Ratified & Minutes Received by Council on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.



**TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN**

**Minutes of a Township of Spallumcheen Rose Swanson Mountain Planned Harvest Select Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 21, 2026 in the Council Chambers located at 4144 Spallumcheen Way, Spallumcheen, BC**

**COMMITTEE:** \*LaVern Bowles, Corinna Hoodicoff, \*Sarah McCoubry, Ryan Potter, Marge Sidney, \*Colleen Marchand

**STAFF:** Lisa Gyorkos, Manager of Strategic Priorities (Chair)

**OTHERS:** Grace Chomitz, Planning Officer, BC Timber Sales  
Colin Langston, Practices Forester, BC Timber Sales  
Jennifer Wright, Woodlands Supervisor, BC Timber Sales

*\*denotes virtual attendance*

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Chair called the Township of Spallumcheen Rose Swanson Mountain Planned Harvest Select Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 came to order at 8:58 am.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

**3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:**

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND/OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**5. REPORTS:**

**(a) Reports:**

**(i) Verbal Report from Grace Chomitz, Planning Officer, BC Timber Sales - Re: BC Timber Sales (BCTS) Draft Plan Review**

Representatives from BC Timber Sales were in attendance to present the BC Timber Sales (BCTS) Draft Plan for review.

Regarding the plan, the following was noted:

- The harvesting plan has been drafted, with a focus on sensitive areas.
- The approach was to complete ground-based assessment (“boots on the ground”) and prioritizes areas of high fire hazard as identified in the Township’s Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan.
- Fire risk mapping identified the entire mountain as high fire hazard, with the northeast corner highlighted as the area of highest concern.
- The remainder of the area falls within a moderate fire risk category.

**Discussion:**

- Trail locations are clearly visible on the maps.
- Added extra stem retention as buffer area around trails
- Hydrological constraints influenced the shapes and layout of planned harvest areas.

- Distributing activities throughout areas

Map Legend Clarification:

**Dark green:**

- Areas along trails.
- Trees in these areas have been individually assessed, with specific selections made for removal versus retention.
- Trees marked to the left along the trails

**Light Green (hatched area)**

- Area where forest removal is planned

**Pink**

- Steeper slope areas

**Tan**

- Proposed harvest areas

- The middle harvest section had not yet been field-marked at the time of the meeting.
- Each planned harvest opening is approximately 1 hectare.
- BC Timber Sales is not clear-cutting but rather using a retention strategy.

- **Retention Strategy:**

- The standards are outlined in the FSP and include:
  - 15 metres of retention on either side of trails.
  - 50% retention of merchantable stem volume.
  - Non-merchantable trees will be left wherever operationally feasible.
- Immature trees are not shown on the maps.

- **Merchantable Timber:**

- Trees with a minimum diameter of 17.5 cm at breast height, regardless of species, are considered merchantable.
- The lower north-facing areas contain more fir, while cedar is more prevalent upslope.

- **Fir Beetle and Wildlife Trees:**

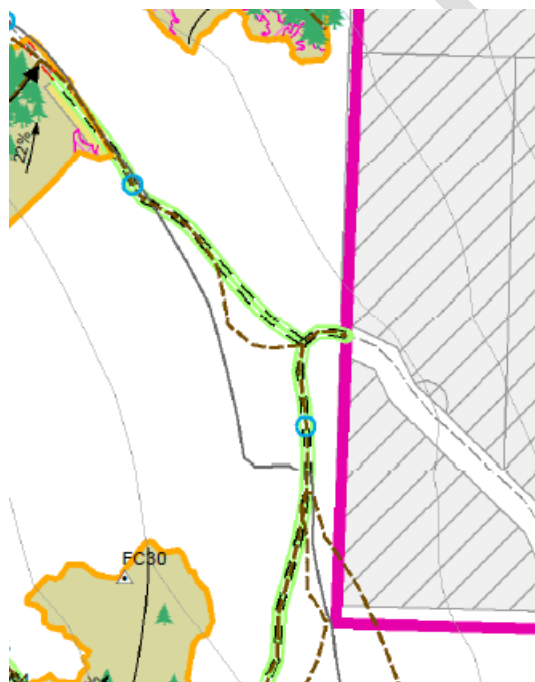
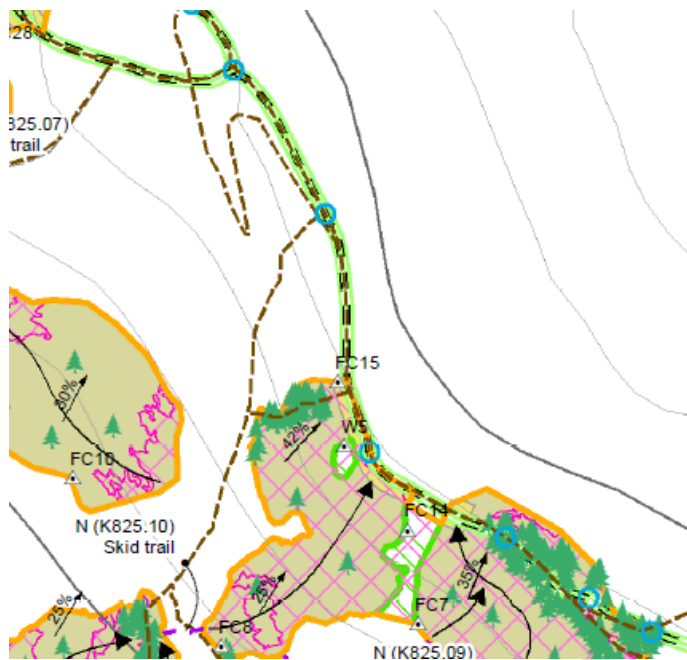
- Fir beetle activity is present, particularly in lower elevations and adjoining private properties.
- A committee member asked if all the trees with fir beetle activity will be removed.
- BCTS Staff indicated efforts will be made to remove affected trees where appropriate and any trees selected for retention will be live, healthy, and structurally sound. Some dead trees may be retained if they provide important wildlife habitat.
- A member of the committee noted that recent flagging activity on site was noted, including work extending further south and upslope than expected.

- **FireSmart and Fuel Reduction:**

- BC Timber Sales staff clarified that this harvesting plan is not a fuel mitigation plan.
- Fire-smarting efforts are limited and focused on high-risk areas identified in the Township of Spallumcheen Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan.
- Some elements of the plan do not align directly with fuel mitigation objectives.
- Post-harvest, replanting is planned as is required in the FSP.
- In regard to FireSmart, harvesting will reduce fuel loads in some areas, and brush

will be removed from active cutblocks where feasible but this is not a FireSmart treatment plan to fully FireSmart the area.

- Some debris will remain on site to:
  - Meet coarse woody debris targets outlined in the FSP.
  - Support wildlife habitat and soil health.
- A hydrology study has been completed.
  - The Armstrong Spallumcheen Trails Society has previously requested a copy of the hydrology report and BCTS staff committed to providing that to the Township so that it could be shared with the entire committee.
- The Timber Sale License requires assessment and abatement of fire risk.
  
- Hydrology:
  - A hydrology study has been completed.
    - The Armstrong Spallumcheen Trails Society has previously requested a copy of the hydrology report and BCTS staff committed to providing that to the Township so that it could be shared with the entire committee.
  - The hydrology study:
    - Divided the area into sub-basins.
    - Established target disturbance levels for each basin to stay below higher-risk thresholds.
  - Observations from the hydrology study include:
    - Frequent water flow on trails, particularly from the **southeast corner**.
    - Harvesting in the lower SE block may affect trails to the east.
    - Existing culverts are present but may be insufficient.
  - The FSP commits to managing water on trails post-harvest to ensure that trails are not diverting water flow on the mountain post harvest.
  
- Road and Drainage Concerns:
  - A cutblock south of the main logging road drains toward the road.
  - Currently existing road conditions are poor with insufficient or missing drainage pipe resulting in improper water movement.
  - The hydrology study highlights roads as a major concern.
  - BC Timber Sales staff advised the action plan to address the water, and road concerns include:
    - The installation of drainage pipes where required and as prescribed.
    - Ensure that water flows across the road and filters naturally into the ground.
    - Upgrade the access road.
    - Restore natural drainage patterns.
    - Grade the road upon completion of harvesting activities.
  - BC Timber Sales staff advised that both of the map areas on the next page are presently truck-accessible and intended for access; post harvesting they could be returned to a vehicle passable road or designated as a trail and remediated so a vehicle could not pass. BCTS staff wanted to know the Committee's preference



- Access and Timber Thefts:
  - Some members of the Committee noted that there were concerns regarding motorized access and expressed interest in pulling access back in certain areas.
  - Timber theft and significant firewood cutting have been observed, particularly in the southern area.
  - These activities have been documented, including the use of a trail camera showing repeated access by the same vehicle.
  - Incidents have been reported to compliance officers.
  - Discussion included reducing access to quad-only use or limiting truck access in specific locations.
  - The area sees heavy use by horseback riders; maintaining access for horses and horse trailers was identified as important.
  - It was clarified that some routes referred to as logging roads were never officially logging roads.
  - The main road providing access to the west side of the mountain was identified as important and should remain open.
  - Concerns were raised about trucks accessing the area to dump garbage, creating fire and safety risks.
  - There was a desire to prevent the mountain from being perceived or used as a dumping ground.
  - An access road connecting toward Cougar was discussed, with concern that its ease of access may lead users unfamiliar with the mountain onto more dangerous routes.
  
- Road Improvements and Harvesting Operations:
  - Improvements to the main road will proceed as part of the harvesting plan.
  - The entire road will not be upgraded; work will be limited to the portion required to access the cut block.
  - Fire crews are accustomed to accessing challenging terrain; while the road is not in ideal condition, it is in better shape than many areas they regularly use.
  - Harvesting in the main Chamberlain area will be conducted using conventional logging methods, including bunchers, skidders, processors, and logging trucks.
  - Harvesting is planned to occur only during winter conditions, as specified in the Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP).
  - Approximately 250 truckloads of timber are anticipated over each winter season, but this is an approximate number and should not be taken as final or confirmed numbers
  - The lower portion of Chamberlain Road is steep, particularly where the surface transitions from pavement to gravel.
  - There are currently no plans to change road access at the bottom of Chamberlain Road, though some limited widening may occur if required.
  - The main haul route will need to be discussed with the Township to ensure access can be provided on the desired route. Sections of Salmon River Road are on First Nations land and would need their permission to traverse.
  - Logging truck requirements are minimal; the anticipated corridor width is approximately 10 metres, with a running surface of about 5 metres.
  - The intent is to undertake upgrades in the lightest way possible.
  - Any upgrading of the logging road beyond Chamberlain would be completed by the licensee, using the narrowest corridor necessary.

- Trail Use and Parking:
  - A trail counter with infrared sensors has been in place for nearly five years, providing estimates of pedestrian and vehicle use.
  - There are approximately 1,500 visitors per month, varying by season.
  - Roughly 1,000 users per month on trails to the east.
  - Approximately 500 users per month accessing trails off Chamberlain.
  - Parking congestion occurs often, particularly at the first switchback.
  - There have been multiple instances of vehicles becoming stuck due to winter conditions.
  - Signage for the game trail and Cougar Connector was discussed to direct users to park in the main parking area rather than along Chamberlain.
  - The outhouse project is moving forward in conjunction with Splantsin First Nation and is supported by usage numbers and public feedback.
  
- Public Engagement Process:
  - A public consultation process will be undertaken this spring.
  - Identified interest holders will be contacted directly.
  - The public comment period will be 120 days and is anticipated to begin near the end of May.
  - Tendering is anticipated in October, with the sale potentially awarded in the November timeframe.
  - BCTS is committed to hosting both a field tour and an open house.
  - Where feasible, changes could be incorporated within the consultation period.

Suggestions for public participation were made including:

- Ribboning trees in advance and having BCTS staff present to clearly explain plans.
  - Conducting multiple smaller field tours rather than one large tour.
  - Producing a recorded or virtual tour that could be shared publicly.
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- Additional Discussion:
    - BCTS does not get issued cutting permits; approvals occur closer to the auction date and are handled internally by the Timber Sales Manager.
    - Referrals for the Okanagan Indian Band (OKIB) were included in the annual referral process earlier in the year.
      - Indigenous Relations staff with BCTS have been engaged, and discussions are ongoing with OKIB and Splantsin.
    - The area does not fall within the Township Wildland–Urban Interface (WUI) area but is Included in the Township Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan.
    - Current load restrictions on Chamberlain Road were discussed.
    - A short section of roadway between Chamberlain and Crown land (approximately 100 metres) was identified as a possible turnaround area for vehicles accessing the trails
      - Upgrades to this section were not initially considered necessary, but BCTS agreed to review the need.
      - The classification of this road segment (e.g., township road vs. Forest Service Road) would influence responsibility for upgrades.
    - A follow-up meeting will be scheduled to review the hydrology report.
      - Committee members are invited to submit questions in advance once they have reviewed the report so that the staff at BCTS can ensure they have answers prepared to make the best use of everyone's time.

Minutes of a Township of Spallumcheen Rose Swanson Mountain Planned Harvest Select Committee  
Meeting held on Tuesday, April 21, 2026

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- BCTS will continue planning public engagement materials, including draft maps and plain language summaries.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

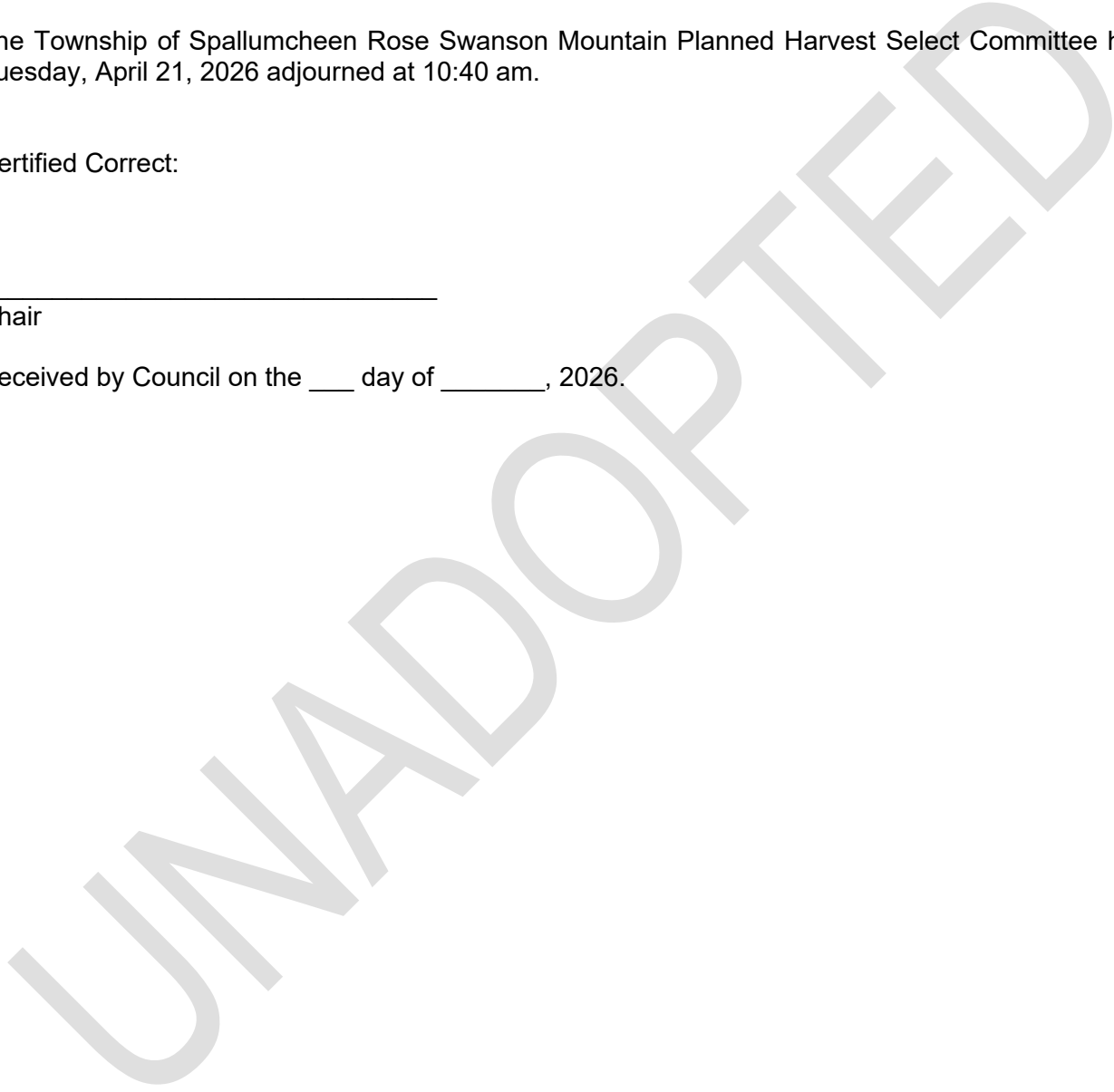
8. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The Township of Spallumcheen Rose Swanson Mountain Planned Harvest Select Committee held on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 adjourned at 10:40 am.

Certified Correct:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair

Received by Council on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.



# Agricultural Municipality Initiative



Mayor Doug Holmes, District of Summerland

## Summerland, 2025:

- \$12.5m collected in property taxes (total)
  - \$660,000 from ALR lands (all classes)
    - » **\$64,437 from Class 9** (0.52% total)
- \$2.03m to service ALR properties (excluding water)
  - increase from \$1.63m in 2021

For every \$1 collected from ALR, costs \$3 to service  
- ratio increasing as infrastructure costs increase

## Resort Municipality Initiative (RMI)

- \$13m/yr to 14 resort towns
- helps pay for infrastructure and amenities for tourism (capital and operations)
- tourism puts strain on infrastructure beyond what local tax base can support

## Agricultural Municipality Initiative (AMI)

- proposed

- 12 small municipalities with 2,000+ ha land in ALR
- need help to pay for infrastructure in rural areas
- farming puts strain on infrastructure beyond what our tax bases can support

# Potential AMI muni's

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Pop. (2021)</b>	<b>Hectares total</b>	<b>Hectares in ALR</b>	<b>% of ha. in ALR</b>
Central Saanich	17,989	4,508	2,980	66%
Coldstream	11,171	7,654	3,920	45%
100 Mile House	1,928	5,425	4,320	80%
Houston	3,052	7,071	3,640	51%
Kent	6,300	18,402	6,460	35%
Lake Country	15,817	12,330	4,770	39%
North Cowichan	31,990	19,244	6,250	33%
Pitt Meadows	21,892	8,008	6,920	86%
Salmon Arm	19,432	16,584	6,370	38%
Spallumcheen	5,307	26,357	14,370	55%
Summerland	12,042	6,713	2,010	31%
Vanderhoof	4,346	5,763	3,330	58%

# Provincial response



- Three mayors met with Min. Popham (April 27)
- Supportive but no money
- Commitment to raise with Minister of Finance, meet group at UBCM

We need to keep working at it from our end!

# Next steps for us

- Shift from Summerland's initiative to Group's
- Collate tax-vs-cost analysis from 12 municipalities
- Hire consultant to draft policy/funding formula
- Continue to advocate
  - Support received from BC Ag Council & BC Fruit Growers Assoc.
- UBCM meeting with Minister Popham
- Joint submission to Select Standing Committee on Finance budget consultation (2027)

Goal: to have program in place before next Prov election

# Request(s) to you

- Conduct analysis of taxation received from ALR lands vs operational and capital maintenance costs
- 
- Participate in UBCM meeting with Minister Popham
  - Advocate locally (MLA, farming community, others)
  - Contribute to policy draft
  - Participate in joint submission to Select Standing Committee on Finance budget consultation (2027)



# Thank you!

Your formal support will strengthen our collective advocacy and help demonstrate to the Province the need to recognize the role of small municipalities in providing the infrastructure required to ensure the sustainability of agriculture.



The Township of Spallumcheen  
Grants-in-Aid Application

Submitted: May 13, 2026

Melodia Singers is an Armstrong Spallumcheen community women’s choir that was formed in January 2023. It is under the direction of Terry Logan, a long-time resident of Spallumcheen.

The choir has two performances per year: a Spring concert and a Christmas concert. To date, the choir has held seven concerts of live, choral music for the community. They are held at the Armstrong Bible Chapel to accommodate the ~30-member choir as well as the audience capacity. The concerts are consistently well-attended and feature local guest musicians including Kampana Handbells, the Children’s Christmas Choir, students from the PVSS music program, SUAS Duo, and Quattro Donne, to name a few.

Melodia Singers is not a registered society, but it operates similarly. All operations of the choir are managed via a voluntary executive committee. The members are:

Tammy Grosch, President:	256 Kicking Horse Place, Vernon	250-308-5050
Marlene Schweb, Treasurer:	4995A Salmon River Rd, Spallumcheen	250-260-8322
Janine Carscadden, Secretary:	136-3780 Schubert Rd, Armstrong	250-251-8826
Jane Houde, Communication:	2910 Wright St, Armstrong	778-212-2247
Terry Logan, Choir Director:	4593 Lansdowne Rd, Spallumcheen	250-503-7370

We are requesting a \$500 grant to support the operations of the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual *A Hometown Christmas* concert to be held on December 12, 2026. The grant will be used to cover a portion of the choral music expense.

Please find attached the 2025 income/expense statement as well as the 2026 operating budget. Please note that we enjoy the support of a group of volunteers who assist on concert day with Front of House activities.

Melodia Singers’ concerts showcase local talent as well as expose audience members to a variety of musical genres. Concert proceeds are shared with the community through two scholarships that Melodia Singers offers to students at PVSS. One is for a student in the PVSS band who has demonstrated an interest in furthering their personal musical study, as well as a choral scholarship to sing in Melodia for a term. In addition, we donate some of the proceeds to local community organizations. To date, we’ve donated to the Armstrong Food Bank, the Armstrong Pride Society, Zion United’s Break-away Children’s Program, and the Highland Park School music program.

Sustaining a women’s choir and presenting two full length concerts per year has significant expenses. Revenue is generated via the members themselves who pay a choir fee, as well as through concert and raffle ticket sales. We are actively seeking additional financial support opportunities including establishing a sponsorship campaign where people can donate at a range of levels. Our goal is to prepare and share high quality, memorable live music in Armstrong/Spallumcheen for years to come.

Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Janine Carscadden  
[janinec@telus.net](mailto:janinec@telus.net) / 250-251-8826



**2026 Operating Budget**

Revenue

Choir Member Fees:	\$ 7,040.00
Concert Ticket Sales:	\$ 7,800.00
<u>Raffle Ticket Sales:</u>	<u>\$ 1,800.00</u>
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$16,640.00</b>

Expenses

Director's Fee:	\$ 5,400.00
Accompanist's Fee:	\$ 2,700.00
Sheet Music:	\$ 2,560.00
Church Rental:	\$ 1,920.00
Guest Artists:	\$ 1,700.00
Printing Costs:	\$ 500.00
Decorations/Supplies:	\$ 250.00
Insurance:	\$ 150.00
PVSS Scholarships:	\$ 360.00
Community Donation:	\$ 400.00
Chamber Membership:	\$ 150.00
Licenses:	\$ 40.00
<u>Banking Fees:</u>	<u>\$ 25.00</u>
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$16,155.00</b>

**Surplus/Loss: \$ 485.00**



**2025 Income/Expense Statement**

Income:

Choir Member Fees:	\$ 6,330.00
Concert Ticket Sales:	\$ 8,520.00
Raffle Ticket Sales:	\$ 2,200.00
Choir Binder :	\$ 28.00
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$17,078.00</b>

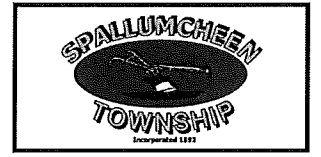
Expenses:

Director's Fee:	\$ 5,400.00
Accompanist's Fee:	\$ 2,800.00
Sheet Music:	\$ 2,309.25
Church Rental:	\$ 1,880.00
Guest Artists:	\$ 1,775.00
Printing Costs:	\$ 534.79
Decorations/Supplies:	\$ 709.65
Insurance:	\$ 92.00
PVSS Scholarships:	\$ 360.00
Community Donation:	\$ 500.00
Chamber Membership:	\$ 150.00
Licenses:	\$ 40.00
Banking Fees:	\$ 80.00
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$16,630.69</b>

**Surplus/Loss: \$ 447.31**

THE TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

POLICY: GRANTS-IN-AID



Policy # 1850.001

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**DIVISION ONE - GENERAL**

- 1.0 While it is not prescribed that the Township of Spallumcheen fund charitable or non-profit organizations through taxation, the Council will consider applications for grants-in-aid, although organizations are generally expected to support their own programs through fund raising efforts rather than continued assistance from the Township.

**DIVISION TWO - ELIGIBLE CATEGORIES**

- 2.0 By a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Council members, the Township may grant aid for, or to, the following:
- (a) Charitable institutions;
  - (b) Agricultural or horticultural societies holding exhibitions;
  - (c) A society or association organizing a public exhibition, game or contest involving athletic skills or sports, where private or professional gain is absent;
  - (d) An arts or cultural center maintained in the Township;
  - (e) A Board of Trade or Chamber of Commerce; and
  - (f) A body organized to advance the general interests of municipal affairs in the community, or celebrating an event of community interest.

**DIVISION THREE - APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

- 3.0 Organizations shall maintain residency or an office located in either the City of Armstrong or the Township of Spallumcheen, and must directly serve or benefit these two communities. In order to be considered, applications must include complete details of the following information:
- (a) Name of the organization, name and title of contact persons, address, and telephone numbers, including confirmation of non-profit or charitable status or society registration number.
  - (b) Brief history of the organization, its purpose, names of present Executive Members or Board of Directors.
  - (c) A copy of the organizations most recent audited or certified financial statements and current operating budget.
  - (d) Description of event or project for which the grant is requested, including a summary of the benefits that will accrue to the community should funding be approved.
  - (e) Details relative to efforts the organization has made to make it self-supporting.

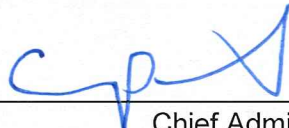
- (f) The amount of grant-in-aid.
- 3.1 The deadline for receipt of completed grant applications shall be **July 31<sup>st</sup>** of the preceding year for which the grant is requested.  
**(Amended August 8, 2016)**
- 3.2 Completed applications will be summarized and forwarded to the Township's Finance Committee for consideration of inclusion within the budget for the ensuing year.
- 3.3 Applications approved or denied shall be confirmed by Council resolution and conveyed in writing to the organization by the Administrator.
- 3.4 Unless otherwise determined by a unanimous vote of the Council, the maximum grant available for any purpose under Division 2.0 shall be the aggregate of the Township's latest Federal Government census multiplied by a per capita rate of \$2.00.
- 3.5 ~~Organizations under Division 2.0 shall be entitled to be considered for either a grant-in-aid, or a permissive tax exemption under Section 400, but not both.~~  
**(Amended August 8, 2016)**

**DIVISION FOUR - PAYMENT AND REPORTING PROCEDURES**

- 4.0 Grants approved by the Township shall be payable as at July 31<sup>st</sup> of each year, and at the discretion of the Township, approved grants in excess of \$2,500 may be remitted to an organization in six equal installments, ending December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. The recipient will be informed in writing at the time the grant is approved if the Township chooses to remit in installments.

**DIVISION FIVE – EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNITY FUNCTIONS**

- 5.0 The provisions of this policy may be waived by a two-thirds vote of all Council members to consider applications for a grant-in-aid relative to an extraordinary community function arising from time to time within the boundaries of the Regional District of North Okanagan and can prove that it provides benefits to the residents of Armstrong-Spallumcheen.
- 5.1 By a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of Council members, the Township may authorize payment of a grant-in-aid for an extraordinary community function, up to a maximum amount of \$500.

Policy # 1850.001	Original Date of Adoption:	October 18, 1999
Date Amended:	March 3, 2003	
	March 5, 2007	
	October 22, 2007	
	August 8, 2016 (Effective January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2017)	
	Certified Correct:	
		
	Chief Administrative Officer	



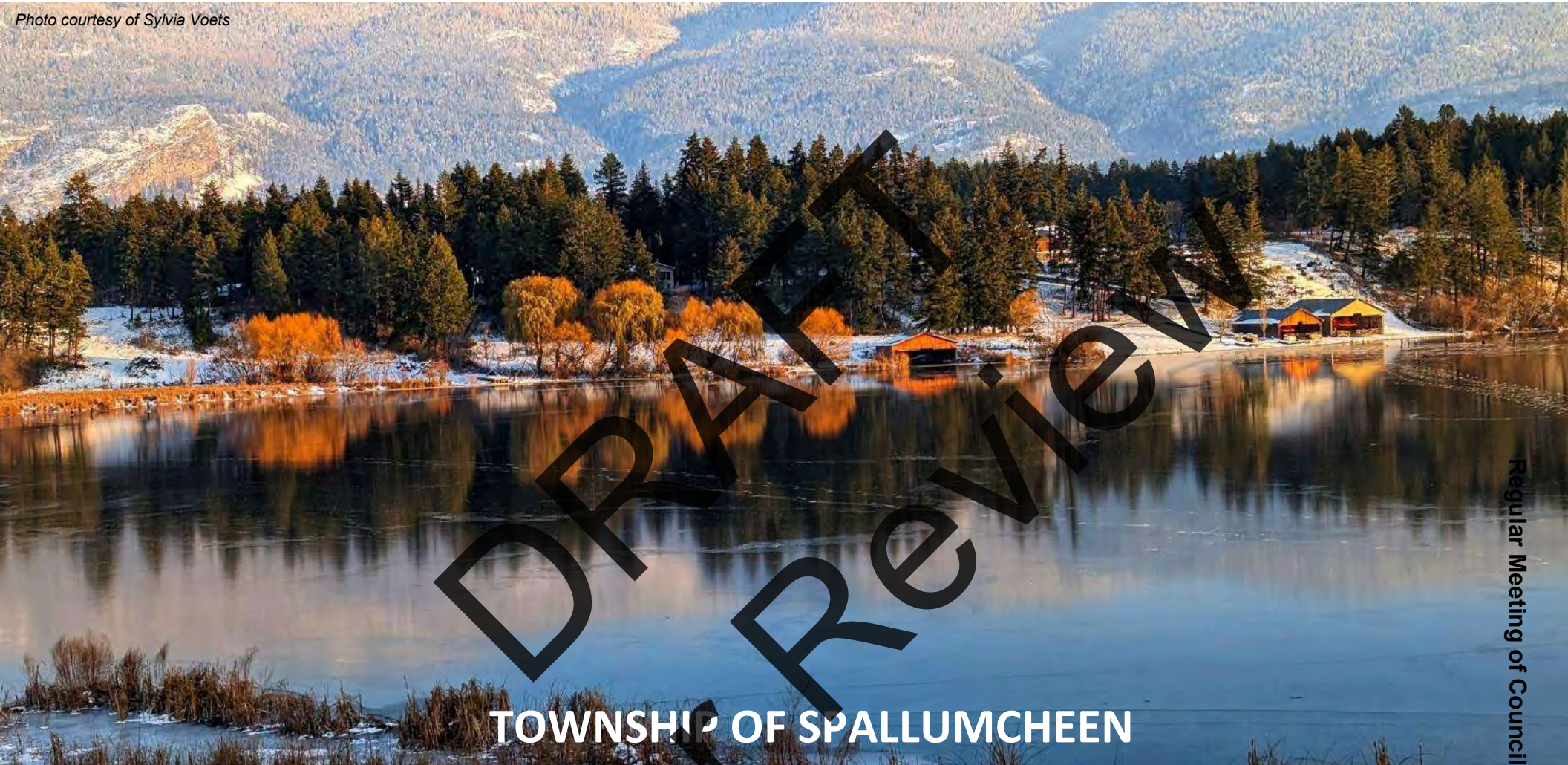
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FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

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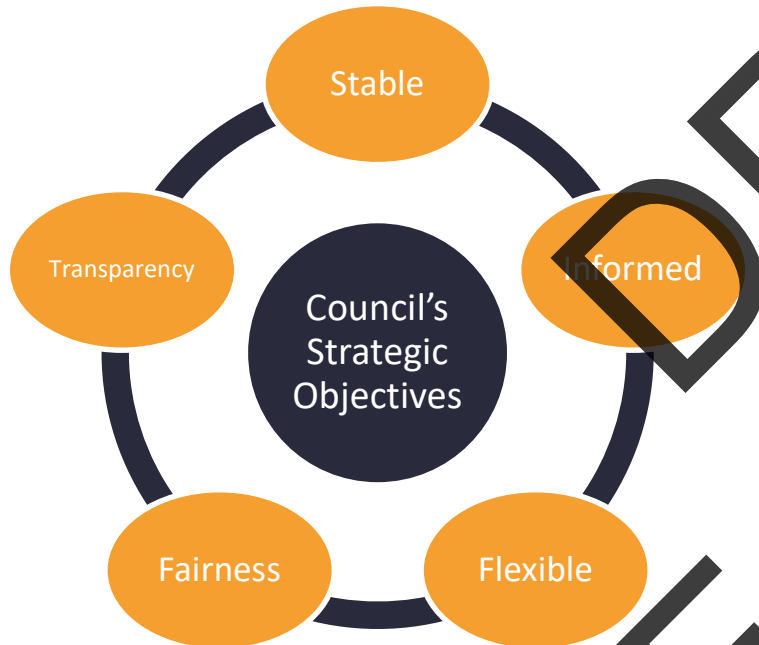
# TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN AT A GLANCE - 2025



**5,843\*** residents

**2,410** properties assessed

\*population number based on 2025 BC Municipal Population Estimates



\$286K in Grant funding awarded to the Township

\$820K+ in new growth revenue from 2017-2025

67 Building Permits issued

19 Development Permits and Variance Permits issued

400 Lane KM of roadways maintained

421 Business Licenses issued

\$20,000+ in FireSmart Rebates issued

## Message From Mayor Christine Fraser



***“I am grateful to Council, staff, and the residents of Spallumcheen for their ongoing support, collaboration, and pride in our Township.”***

I am pleased to present the Township of Spallumcheen’s 2025 Annual Report. This document reflects a year of meaningful progress, steady leadership, and the ongoing commitment of our residents, Council, and staff to the well-being of our community.

Throughout 2025, Council focused on practical, forward-looking initiatives that strengthen our Township both now and into the future. We continued to invest in essential infrastructure, advance long-term planning for water and road improvements, and advocate for the interests of our rural community at the regional and provincial levels. These efforts, while sometimes behind the scenes, play a crucial role in supporting the services and quality of life that our residents rely on.

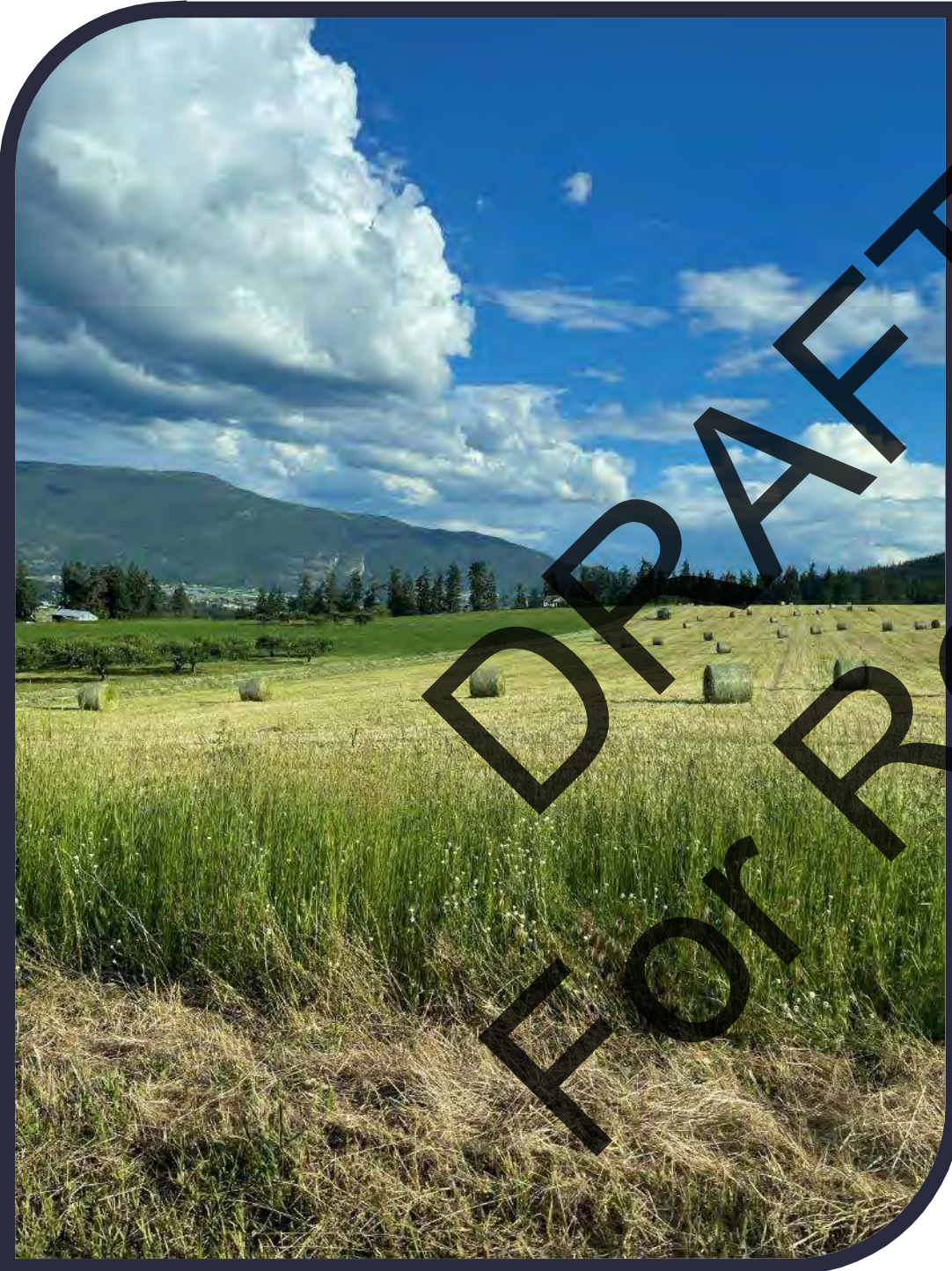
Equally important were the many contributions made by community members. Volunteers, local organizations, farmers, and businesses once again demonstrated the dedication and cooperation that define Spallumcheen. Their involvement—whether through community events, stewardship of shared spaces, or support for neighbours—remains one of our community’s greatest strengths.

As you review this report, I hope it provides a clear picture of what we achieved together over the past year. I am grateful to Council, staff, and the residents of Spallumcheen for their ongoing support, collaboration, and pride in our Township. It is an honour to serve as your Mayor, and I look forward to building on the progress of 2025 as we continue working toward a strong and vibrant future.

Respectfully,  
*Mayor Christine Fraser*

**Important project highlights from 2025 include the following:**

- The Township completed many water infrastructure projects including:
  - Completion of the Larkin Reservoir Expansion and Pressure Reducing Valve upgrade.
  - Start of construction on Well 6 which will support our south local area service.
  - Completion of design for phase 3 of upgrades to our South Larkin Trunkmain.
- North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project obtained conditional provincial approval under the Municipal Wastewater Regulation in December 2025 allowing for construction of the Treatment Facility and Township of Spallumcheen collection system to move ahead in 2026.
- An amendment to the Official Community Plan’s Large Holding designation was adopted to incorporate a broader range of minimum lot sizes which creates new opportunities for more affordable agricultural parcels, supports diversified farm operations, and strengthens long-term land stewardship.
- Emergency Management Activities included:
  - Introduction of fully funded FireSmart Hazard Assessments and Rebate program for property owners with over \$20,000 in rebates issued.
  - Grant funded purchase of signage, supplies, and equipment to support future Emergency Support Services within the Township.
  - Engagement with First Nations regarding emergency management and the start of a regional hazard assessment.
- Continued partnerships with City of Armstrong for shared services and shared areas of concern.
- Official Community Plan review to ensure alignment with Provincial legislation.
- Continued work with the Solicitor General to keep our policing costs manageable.



# WATER LOCAL AREA SERVICES

Two major efficiencies realized in 2025 with the Water Local Area Services were:

1. **COMPLETED** - The amalgamation of 10 individual local area services into 3 local area services
  - North (formerly Silver Star, Round Prairie, Highland Park, Hankey, Lansdowne, Stardel, and Pleasant Valley)
  - South (formerly Eagle Rock and Larkin)
  - Stepping Stones (no change due to the unique agreement in place through an Order in Council of the Provincial Government)
2. **COMPLETED** - Standardization of rate models
  - Previously each LAS (10) had a unique rate model and rate associated for the provision of water.
  - Standardization of model and alignment of rates allows for efficiencies in staff time and a correlation between the cost of the provision of water and the rates that are charged.

**GRANT FUNDING** - Investing in Canada Infrastructure awarded 2021 for \$3.33M

Water Improvement projects undertaken with this funding includes:

- **COMPLETED** - Universal Water Metering / Water Conservation Planning
- **COMPLETED** - Larkin Reservoir #2 and Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) Upgrade
- **COMPLETION ANTICIPATED 2026** - Larkin Well #6

**GRANT FUNDING** - Investing in Canada Infrastructure awarded 2024 for \$3.8M

Water Improvement planning continues with the grant awarded in early 2024 and will include various upgrades to infrastructure throughout the Local Area Services.

- **DESIGN UNDERWAY** - Installation of 30 Sampling Stations
- **COMPLETION ANTICIPATED 2026** - L&A Cross Road Rail Crossing
- **DESIGN UNDERWAY** - Larkin Cross Road Water Main Upgrade
- **DESIGN UNDERWAY** - Bulk Meters and Vaults for Silver Star and Lansdowne connection points

# North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project



The North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project (NOWRP) is the result of a unique partnership launched in 2015 by the Regional District of North Okanagan (RDNO), Township of Spallumcheen and Okanagan Indian Band (OKIB) to implement a community sewer system.

The project will provide sewer service to residents and businesses in portions of RDNO Electoral Areas B and C, the Township of Spallumcheen’s southeast industrial area and have the ability to service parts of OKIB. This is one of the last developed areas of the Okanagan without a community sewer system.

In 2025, the project team continued working with the Province and in December 2025 received Municipal Wastewater Regulation approval to proceed to construction. Construction is set to begin in 2026. The project team continues to look for additional grant programs and design efficiencies to help combat rising costs for construction.

## What’s Next?

We are transitioning from the design to the construction phase of the project.



## Community Initiatives and Communication



Councillor Gerry Popoff  
2025 Chris Pieper Bursary Award Winners  
Avery Smith (L) and McKenzie Gyorkos (R)

### Community Initiatives

- Rose Swanson Mountain Planned Harvesting Committee working with key stakeholders to find the best path forward for the mountain
- Highway 97A Safety Improvements continued advocacy
- Agri-Industrial area development and planning
- Citizen's Survey from 2019 continues to inform Council's policy and direction
- Chris Pieper Bursary supporting youth development
- Community Awards for outstanding contributions

### Communication

- Council Meetings
- Planning Application Review Dialogue (PARD)
- Open Houses and Town Hall Meetings
- Farming Round Tables
- Industry Round Tables
- Development Round Tables
- Website Updates, Press Releases, Alertable Notifications
- Newspaper Advertising, Newsletters, Social Media, & Mail outs



McLeod Subdivision Town Hall Meeting, August 2025

## Community Events and Celebrations

Each year Council members take part in and fund many community events and celebrations. Pictured here is a small sample of the some of the community activities Council took part in for 2025.



*Celebrating 20 years of Community Service for Patti Noonan – General Manager Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce*



*Opening of the new Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Centre*



*Vimy Ridge Remembrance Day*



*Celebration of Ina Forrest Spallumcheen Resident and 2026 Olympic Co-Captain of the Canadian Paralympic Winter Team*



*Canada Day the Armstrong Spallumcheen Citizen of the Year*

## Emergency Management

Each year Council dedicates funding toward Emergency Preparedness and Planning activities. In addition, they seek out available grants to help maximize planning dollars. In 2025 Council was able to utilize the following grants to help prepare the community for emergencies:

### Fire Smart

- FireSmart funding through the Community Resiliency Investment Fund.
  - Hiring of a FireSmart Coordinator
  - Attendance at Regional FireSmart Committee
  - Fully funded Hazard Assessments for residents
  - Rebate program for eligible properties
- Over \$20,000 was provided to residents through the 2025 FireSmart Rebate program and we hope to give away even more next year.

### Emergency Support Services

- Emergency Support Services (ESS) is a provincial program for local governments to deliver services to the public in an emergency. Generally, people who have been evacuated from their home can access these services through local reception centres.
- The Township in conjunction with the City of Armstrong received funding to purchase signage and equipment to be better prepared to set up a reception centre at the fair grounds, should the need arise.

## 2025 Emergency Planning

## Emergency Management

**Alertable Community Notifications** continued to be an effective tool to help keep the community informed of Emergency Situations within the Township. Residents can choose to be called, emailed or texted with alert information. The RDNO and many neighbouring communities and government agencies are using this app to help inform residents.

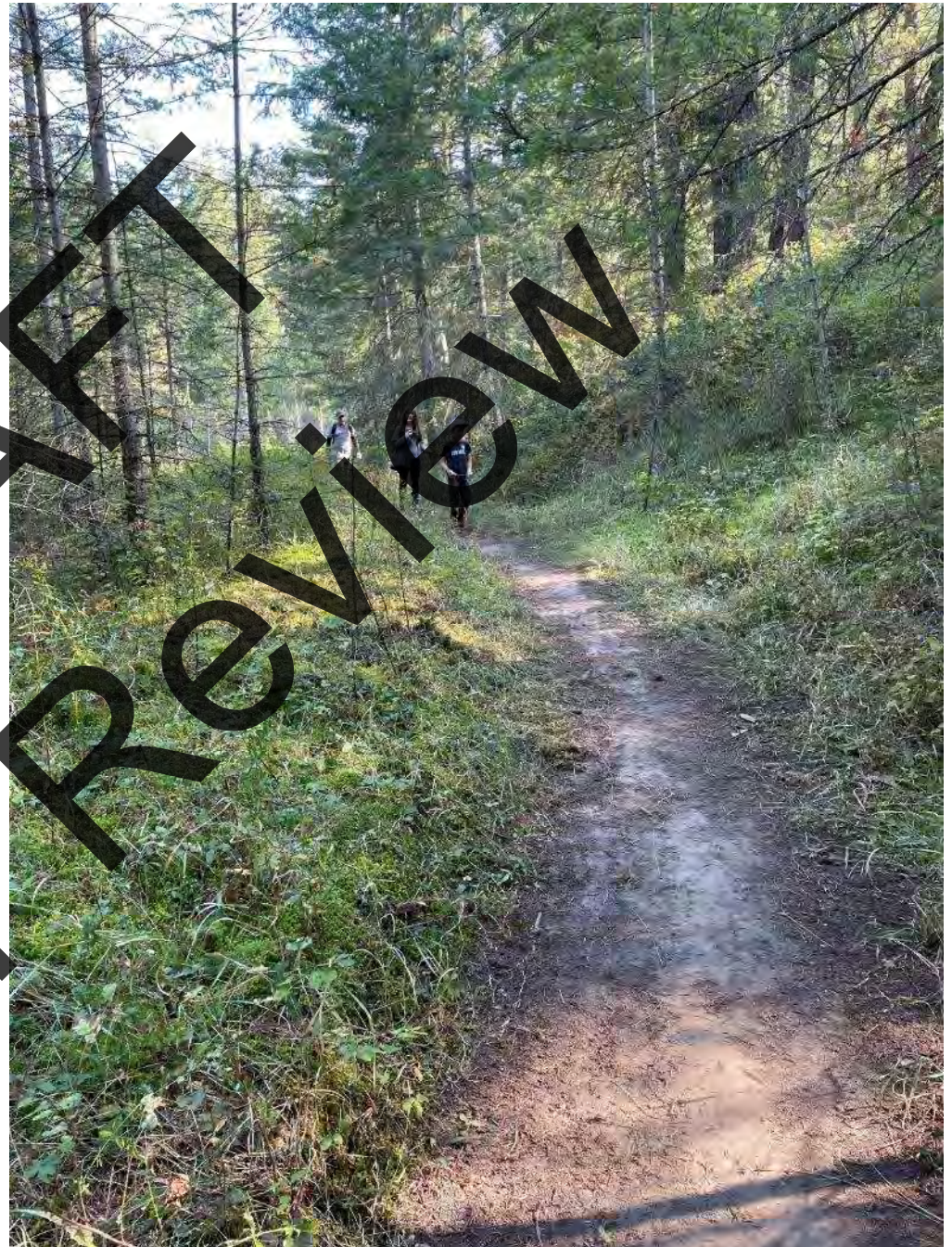
## 2025 Emergency Communication



The graphic features a smartphone on the left displaying various app icons, with three circular callouts highlighting the Alertable app icon. To the right, the Spallumcheen Township logo is shown above the text 'ALERTABLE'. Below this, the main heading reads 'SIGN UP COMMUNITY NOTIFICATIONS' in large, bold letters, followed by the tagline 'Stay Aware & Plan Ahead'. A row of icons includes 'Download on the App Store', 'works with the Google Assistant', 'Alertable', 'Connect with us on Messenger', 'GET IT ON Google Play', 'JUST ASK amazon alexa', '#Alertable', and 'Sign Up' with a phone icon. At the bottom, a 'Sign Up Here!' link is underlined.

## Project Outlook for 2026

- Start of construction on the North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project.
  - Phase 2 planning and Liquid Waste Management Plan work to commence for North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project.
- Water works upgrades including:
  - Installation of sampling stations and 2 bulk meters.
  - Complete design and move to construction of Larkin water main upgrade.
  - Completion and commissioning of Well 6.
  - Completion of Phase 3 upgrades to South Larkin Trunk Main upgrades.
  - Continued support of Make Water Work and water conservation initiatives.
- Capital roads construction for McLeod Subdivision.
- Continued partnerships with Armstrong for joint services.
- Rose Swanson Mountain Select Committee continued work to ensure the right path forward for the mountain.
- Continue to work with the Solicitor General to keep our policing costs manageable.
- Emergency Preparedness Planning and community education including for FireSmarting.
- Agri-Industrial area phase 2 planning to continue to look for opportunities to grow the offerings and support local producers.
- Continued passive remediation work on Deep Creek and Fortune Creek.



## Township of Spallumcheen Organization Chart

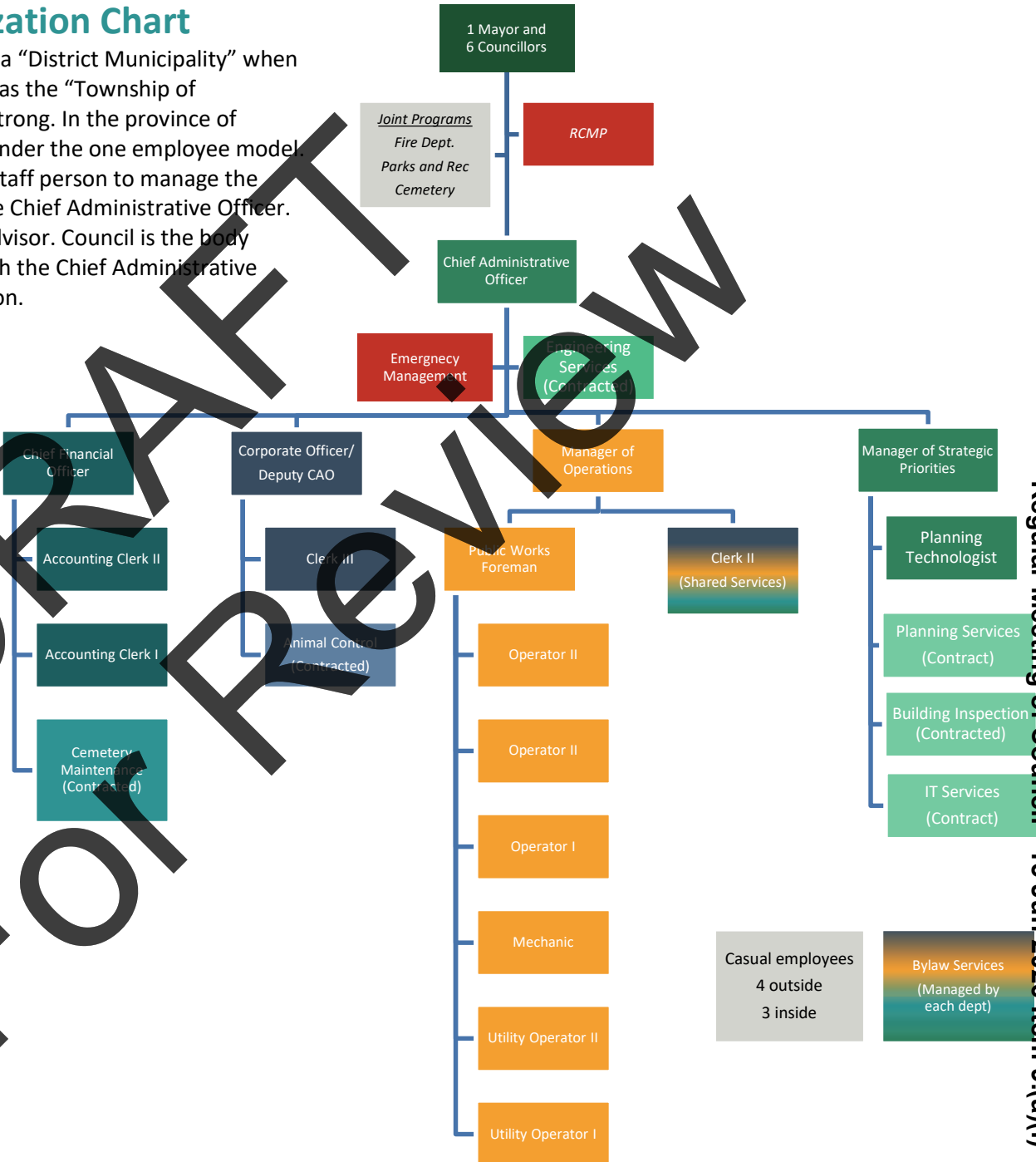
The Township of Spallumcheen was originally patented as a “District Municipality” when incorporated on July 21, 1892. It later became referred to as the “Township of Spallumcheen” after the incorporation of the City of Armstrong. In the province of British Columbia, Municipalities are generally structured under the one employee model. What this means is that the Mayor and Council employ a staff person to manage the corporation. In the Township this position is appointed the Chief Administrative Officer. The Chief Administrative Officer is Council’s chief policy advisor. Council is the body that sets policy and direction for the Township and through the Chief Administrative Officer those decisions are communicated to staff for action.

# 2025

5 Managers  
5 Full time Inside Staff  
7 Full time Outside Staff  
7 Casual (Inside/Outside)

Staff of the Township of Spallumcheen are members of CUPE Local 2709.

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## Township of Spallumcheen Employees

# 2025 Long Service Recipients:

### 5 years

- **Robert Postill**  
Township Public Works Crew
- **Rob Hubley** Armstrong Spallumcheen  
Parks & Recreation Crew

### 10 years

- **Robin Crandlemire**  
Township Public Works Crew

### 15 years

- **Brett Heitman** Armstrong Spallumcheen  
Parks & Recreation Crew



Councillor Van Tienhoven and Robert Postill



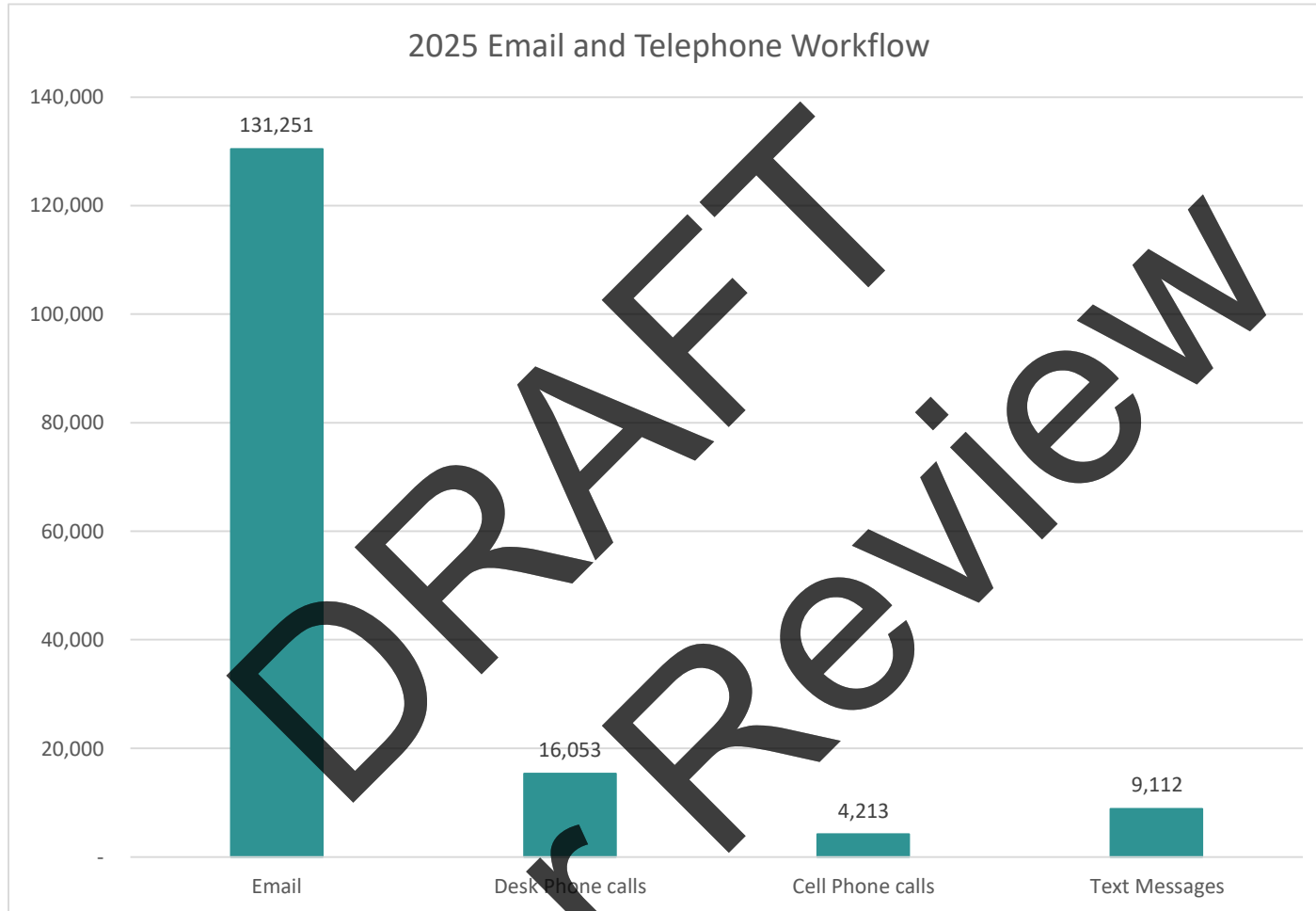
Brett Heitman and Councillor Casson



Missing Picture – Rob Hubley



Missing Picture – Robin Crandlemire



Daily telephone calls and emails play a large part in the workload of staff.

From public requests or complaints to internal requests or directives dealing with these forms of communication take a large part of staff time.

As you can see from the graph above, email is the primary form of communication with the Township and takes up approximately 20,000 hours of time a year for the municipal staff and Council.

## 2022 - 2026 Council



**Back row:** Councillors Todd York, John Bakker, Joe Van Tienhoven, Gerry Popoff, and Andrew Casson

**Front row:** Mayor Christine Fraser and Councillor Christine LeMaire

### 2022 – 2026 Acting Mayor Appointments

November 2022 to June 2023  
July 2023 to February 2024  
March 2024 to October 2024  
November 2024 to June 2025  
July 2025 to February 2026  
March 2026 to October 2026

Councillor Todd York  
Councillor Andrew Casson  
Councillor Joe Van Tienhoven  
Councillor Christine LeMaire  
Councillor Gerry Popoff  
Councillor John Bakker

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**Mayor Christine Fraser**  
16 years on Council  
"My favourite thing about our community is how genuine the people are and how they work together to get things done. I truly believe that we are one of the best places to live in Canada."



**Councillor John Bakker**  
7 years on Council  
"Coming from another country and having travelled to many places around the world I can honestly say there is nowhere I would rather call home. I am really blessed to live here and honoured to help shape the future of this wonderful place we call home."



**Councillor Andrew Casson**  
16 years on Council  
"I feel very positive about the direction the Township is currently headed. Our current projects will support our farmers, families and businesses in ways that will allow them to grow and flourish while also diversifying and expanding the opportunities we have in the Township for future generations."



**Councillor Christine LeMaire**  
10.5 years on Council  
"My favourite thing about our community is that we have people who believe in and invest in Spallumcheen. From the businesses that are the economic backbone to the volunteers that come together, this is a beautiful corner of the world".



**Councillor Gerry Popoff**  
7 years on Council  
"I feel honoured to represent this community that I have called home for so many years. I raised my family here and really value the strong agricultural roots that helped build Spallumcheen into the vibrant community it is today."



**Councillor Joe Van Tienhoven**  
14 years on Council  
"My favourite thing about Spallumcheen is seeing how engaged our community is. Residents and businesses alike working together either volunteering for events or organizations or helping out in times of crisis and pulling together when it counts."



**Councillor Todd York**  
19 years on Council  
"I am so optimistic about the future of Spallumcheen. We have such a strong foundation to grow from. Our agricultural past is still represented by our vibrant agricultural community but the innovation exhibited in our little farming town is wonderful to see."

# Council Annual Liaison Appointments 2025-2026

Members of Council are involved in many Committees, Commissions, Boards, Societies and Advisories related to their roles on Council.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

*(Council to attend meetings when required as a voting member, where non-voting Council will attend only as available)*

	BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	ALTERNATE (Ex-Officio #1, then #2)
1)	Agricultural Advisory Committee	Cllr. Gerry Popoff	Cllr. John Bakker
2)	Agri-Hub Select Committee	Mayor Christine Fraser Cllr. John Bakker Cllr. Gerry Popoff	Cllr. Joe Van Tienhoven Cllr. Christine LeMaire
3)	Armstrong-Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce (Meetings held 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of Each Month – Evening)	Cllr. Joe Van Tienhoven	Cllr. Andrew Casson
4)	Armstrong-Spallumcheen Fire Services Commission	Cllr. Joe Van Tienhoven Mayor Christine Fraser	Cllr. Todd York
5)	Armstrong-Spallumcheen Parks & Recreation Commission	Cllr. John Bakker Cllr. Andrew Casson	Cllr. Joe Van Tienhoven Cllr. Todd York
6)	**New City of Armstrong – Township of Spallumcheen Joint Council	All of Council	N/A
7)	Fire Training Centre Policy Board	Cllr. Joe Van Tienhoven	Cllr. Todd York
8)	Highway 97A Traffic Signal Review Select Committee	Cllr. Gerry Popoff Cllr. Joe Van Tienhoven	#1-Ex-Officio #1-Mayor #2-Ex-Officio Councillors
9)	Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia – Voting Delegate	Mayor Christine Fraser	#1 - Cllr. Christine LeMaire #2 - Cllr. Andrew Casson
10)	North Okanagan/Columbia Shuswap Regional Hospital District	Mayor Christine Fraser	Cllr. Christine LeMaire <i>*No Ex-Officio permitted due to requirement of being appointed to the Board.</i>
11)	Okanagan Indian Band Joint Advisory Committee	Mayor Christine Fraser Cllr. Gerry Popoff	Cllr. Todd York
12)	Okanagan Regional Library Board	Cllr. Todd York	Cllr. Andrew Casson
13)	Planning Application Review Dialogue (PARD)	Mayor Fraser Cllr. Gerry Popoff	#2 Ex-Officios
14)	Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee	Cllr. Gerry Popoff	Cllr. John Bakker
15)	Regional District of North Okanagan – Board of Directors & Additional Committees (Board Meetings held 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of Each Month, Late Afternoon)	Director: Mayor Christine Fraser	Cllr. Christine LeMaire <i>*No Ex-Officio permitted due to requirement of being appointed to the Board.</i>

16)	Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee	Cllr. Christine LeMaire	Mayor Christine Fraser <i>*No Ex-Officio permitted due to requirement of being appointed to the Board.</i>
17)	Rose Swanson Mountain Planned Harvesting Select Committee	Mayor Christine Fraser	N/A
18)	Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Governance Advisory Committee	Mayor Christine Fraser	Cllr. Christine LeMaire (as appointed RDNO Board Member); Cllr Todd York (if Mayor Fraser and Cllr LeMaire are unavailable)
19)	Spallumcheen Emergency Program Committee	Cllr. Joe Van Tienhoven	Cllr. Todd York
20)	North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project (NOWRP) (Partnership with OKIB & RDNO)	Mayor Christine Fraser Cllr. Christine LeMaire	Cllr. Andrew Casson
21)	Thompson-Okanagan Southern Interior Development Initiative Trust (SIDIT)	Mayor Christine Fraser	N/A

**LIAISONS**

*(Council members may attend meetings based on availability, due to attendance as a non-voting member)*

	SOCIETIES	RESPONSIBILITY
22)	Armstrong-Spallumcheen Museum and Art Gallery (Meetings held 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of Each Month)	Cllr. John Bakker
23)	Armstrong-Spallumcheen Trails Society	Cllr. Todd York
24)	Haugen Community Healthcare Society	Cllr. Christine LeMaire
25)	O’Keefe Ranch and Heritage Society	Cllr. Andrew Casson Cllr. John Bakker
26)	Spallumcheen Housing Society (Meets quarterly on Thursdays at 9:00 am)	Cllr. Todd York
27)	Sunset Housing Society   Three Links Lodge	Cllr. Todd York

**Important Information:**

**\*ORDER OF RESPONSIBILITY:**

1. Appointment	3. Ex-Officio #1 – Mayor
2. Alternates	4. Ex-Officio #2 – Councillors

**\*Boards, Committees, Commissions** – Open Meeting Minutes are required to be submitted to the Township’s Corporate Officer via the Township’s General Email of [mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca](mailto:mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca) for inclusion on the Council agenda as communication, any ratification, and for receipt.

**Closed Meeting Minutes** are to be submitted to the Township’s Corporate Officer via [cindy.webb@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca](mailto:cindy.webb@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca) for inclusion on the Council agenda as communication, any ratification, and for receipt.

**\*SOCIETIES** – Annual attendance, if requested, at Committee of the Whole via Delegation Request Form for information update to Council. Minutes to be provided by the society to the Corporate Officer via the Township’s General Email of: [mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca](mailto:mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca) for the Council Weekly Summary for information.

## Chief Administrative Officer Message



*“Together, we will continue to make Spallumcheen a vibrant and thriving community.”*

On behalf of the Township of Spallumcheen, I am pleased to present this overview of staff’s accomplishments and progress throughout 2025. This past year has been one of strong progress, thoughtful planning, and meaningful collaboration as our team worked diligently to support Council’s priorities and advance the community’s long-term vision. I am proud of the dedication and professionalism demonstrated by staff across all departments in delivering results that benefit our residents today while positioning Spallumcheen for the future.

**Infrastructure and Capital Improvements** - Significant achievements were realized with key projects moving forward on schedule such as the Mountain View Road Construction and Larkin Reservoir expansion. These investments are critical to maintaining and enhancing the services our residents rely on, supporting growth, and ensuring the long-term sustainability of our community assets.

**Strategic Planning and Governance** – Council and staff continued to strengthen the Township’s foundation. Staff supported Council in advancing strategic priorities, improving internal processes, and fostering transparent, accountable decision-making which was well highlighted with the amalgamation of the various local area services. This helped staff realize efficiencies and Council make sound strategic decisions moving forward. These efforts ensure that we remain responsive to community needs while staying aligned with our long-term goals.

**Financial Stewardship** - Through careful budgeting, responsible management of resources, and ongoing monitoring, we have continued to deliver value for taxpayers while maintaining financial stability. This disciplined approach enables us to invest in priority initiatives while safeguarding the Township’s fiscal health.

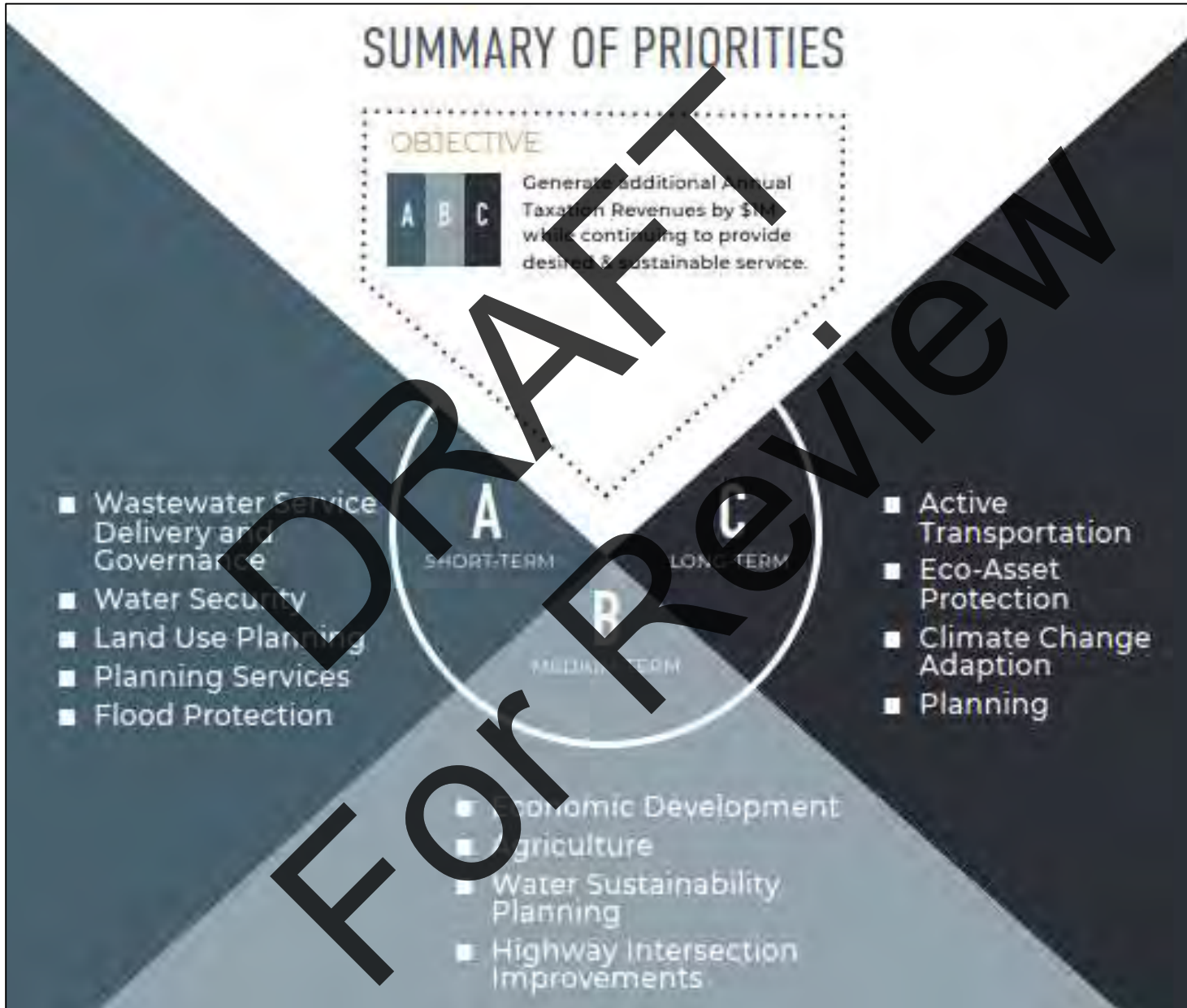
**Community and Partnerships** - In 2025, we strengthened relationships with residents, regional partners, and community organizations. These collaborations enhance our ability to deliver services, share resources, and build a connected and resilient community.

As we look ahead to 2026, our focus remains on building on this momentum. We will continue to invest in critical infrastructure, advance strategic initiatives, and seek opportunities to enhance service delivery. At the same time, we remain committed to engaging with our community, supporting sustainable growth, and maintaining the high standard of governance and fiscal responsibility our residents expect.

I would like to thank Council for their leadership and guidance, and our staff for their ongoing commitment and hard work. Together, we will continue to make Spallumcheen a vibrant and thriving community.

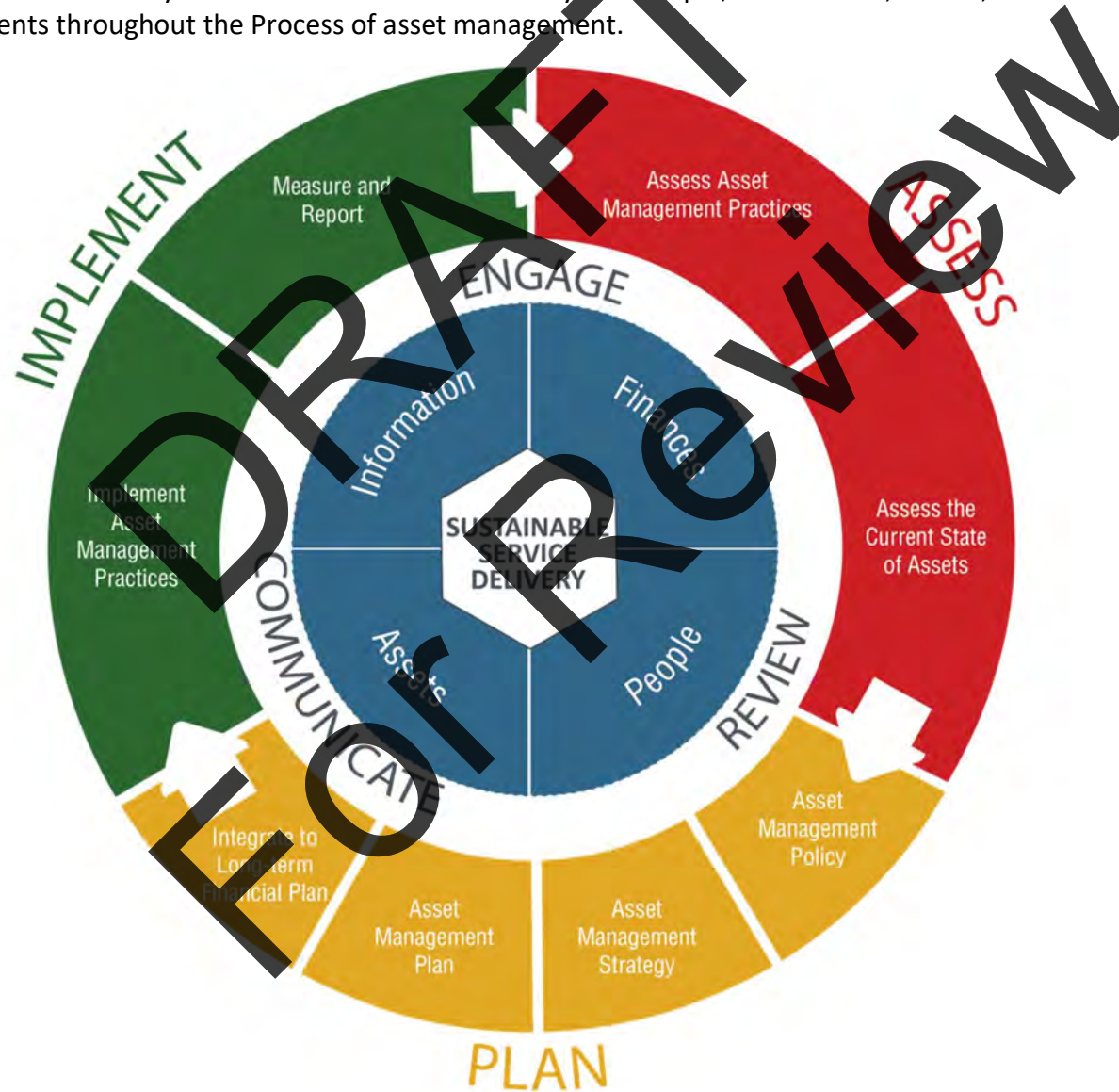
Respectfully, *Doug Allin, CAO*

**Summary of Priorities as outlined in the Community Development Plan**



## Asset Management

Staff, under the direction of Council, have worked toward a strong Asset Management practice. Asset Management is an integrated process, bringing together skills, expertise, and activities of People; with Information about a community's physical Assets; and Finances; so that informed decisions can be made, supporting Sustainable Service Delivery. People, Information, Assets, and Finances are considered the core elements of asset management. The core elements necessary for sustainable service delivery are People, Information, Assets, and Finances. Success requires the integration of these four elements throughout the Process of asset management.





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**FOR REVIEW**



**Cindy Webb**  
Corporate Officer

Staff Members  
**Maureen Williamson**  
**Katherine Eyre-Huber**

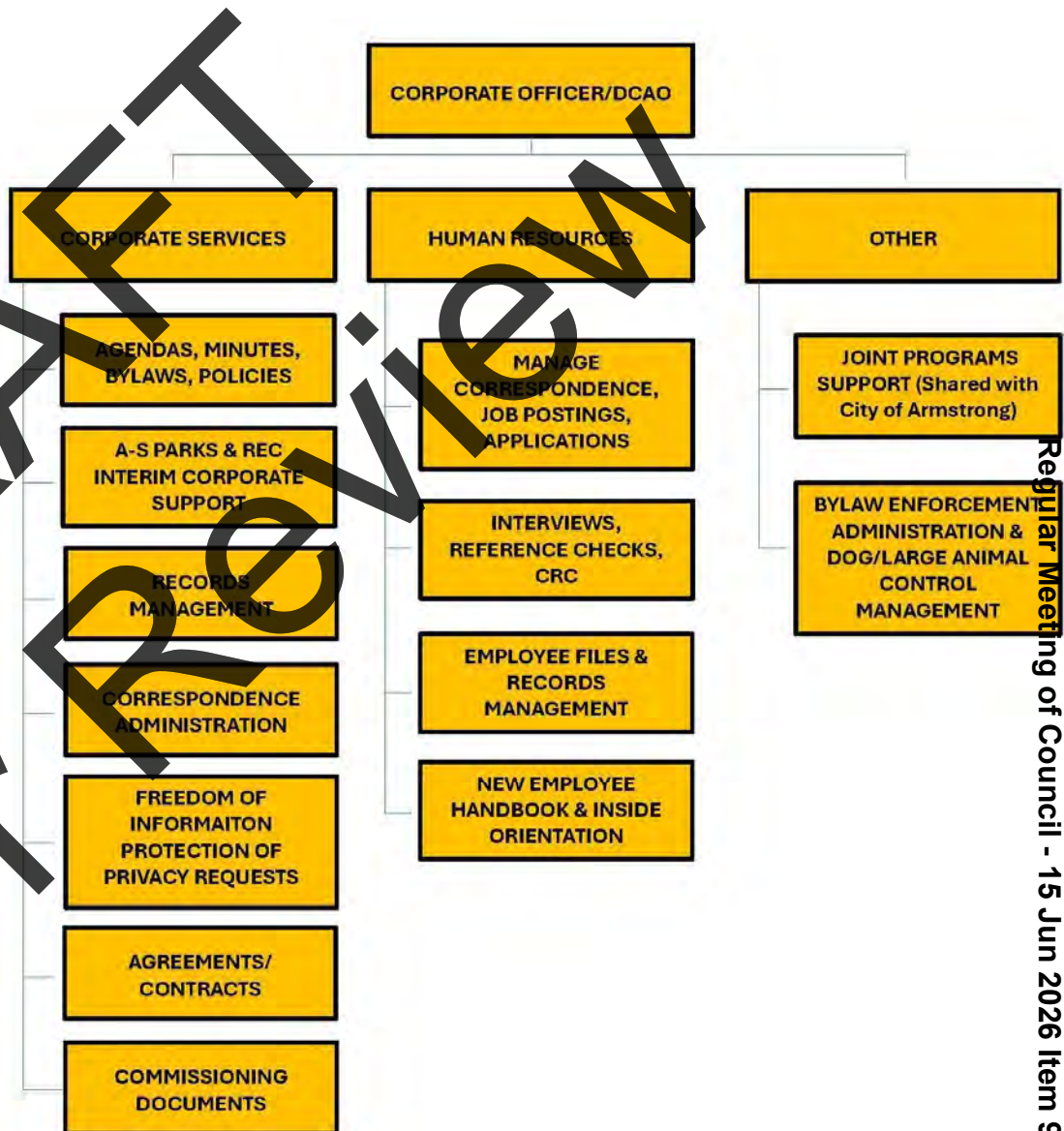
**CORPORATE & LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT**

# Corporate & Legislative

Corporate Services is essential to ensuring the Corporation meets all statutory and legislative obligations.

The department's primary duties include preparing Council agendas and minutes, managing official records, supporting the Mayor and Council with administrative tasks, and assisting the public with Freedom of Information (FOI) requests.

Corporate Services also contributes to the development of policies, bylaws, and contracts, plays a role in long-term strategic planning, and is responsible for administering municipal elections.



# Corporate & Legislative

## AGENDA & MINUTE COMPILATION 2025 (TO DECEMBER 31, 2025)

1. Regular/Special Council	25
2. Committee of the Whole	14
3. Closed/In Camera	20
4. Agricultural Advisory Committee	6
5. Parks & Recreation Commission (9 Open/6 In Camera)	15
6. Fire Services Commission	0
7. Joint Council (4 Open/4 In Camera)	8
8. Joint Labour & OHS Management	7
9. Joint Staff Steering Committee	7
10. Round Table (Agenda only)	3
11. Select Committees	0

Total:

**105**

JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2025

**359** Resolutions to Action

**132** Closed/In Camera Resolutions to Action

**848** Pieces of correspondence processed and brought forward to Council

- 168 Council Meetings
- 680 Weekly Summaries

**1339 Staff Tasks**

Regular Meeting of Council - 15 Jun 2026 Item 9.(a)(i)

# Corporate & Legislative

## 2025 Spallumcheen Job Postings

Ongoing	Casual Office Clerk - Inside On call (11 applicants)
May	Casual Office Clerk/Student Inside – Tax Notices - Fixed Term (up to 3 days) (2 applicants)
May	Temp Office Clerk I – Inside - Fixed Term (12-16 weeks) (1 applicant)
June	Casual Accounting Clerk – Inside - On call (1 applicant)
June	Temp Casual Office Clerk/Summer Student Fixed Term (8-12 weeks) (1 applicant)
July	Full Time Operator I-II – Outside (40 applicants)
November	Temp Office Clerk I - Inside Fixed Term (24 weeks) (1 applicant)
November	Casual Operator I - Outside On Call (1 applicant)

## 2025 Armstrong Spallumcheen Parks & Recreation Job Postings

December - January	Seasonal Program Attendant Pool (11 applicants)
January - February	Seasonal Outside Pool Community Programmer/Sales Coordinator Pool Supervisor (1 applicant)
January - February	Seasonal Outside Pool Community Programmer/Sales Coordinator (1 applicant)
March, April & May	Seasonal Outside Pool Deck Leader (3 applicants)
March, April & May	Seasonal Outside Pool - Lifeguard Swim Instructor (9 applicants)
March, April & May	Seasonal Outside Pool - Lifeguard (8 applicants)
May	Seasonal Part-Time Summer Student Outside Worker (1 Applicant)
June	Seasonal Part-Time Arena/Parks Operator (2 Applicants)
August	Seasonal Facility Operator (2 Applicants)

# Corporate & Legislative

## BYLAW SERVICES

### Complaint Administration & Dog/Large Animal Contract Management

Dog and Large Animal Complaints 2025

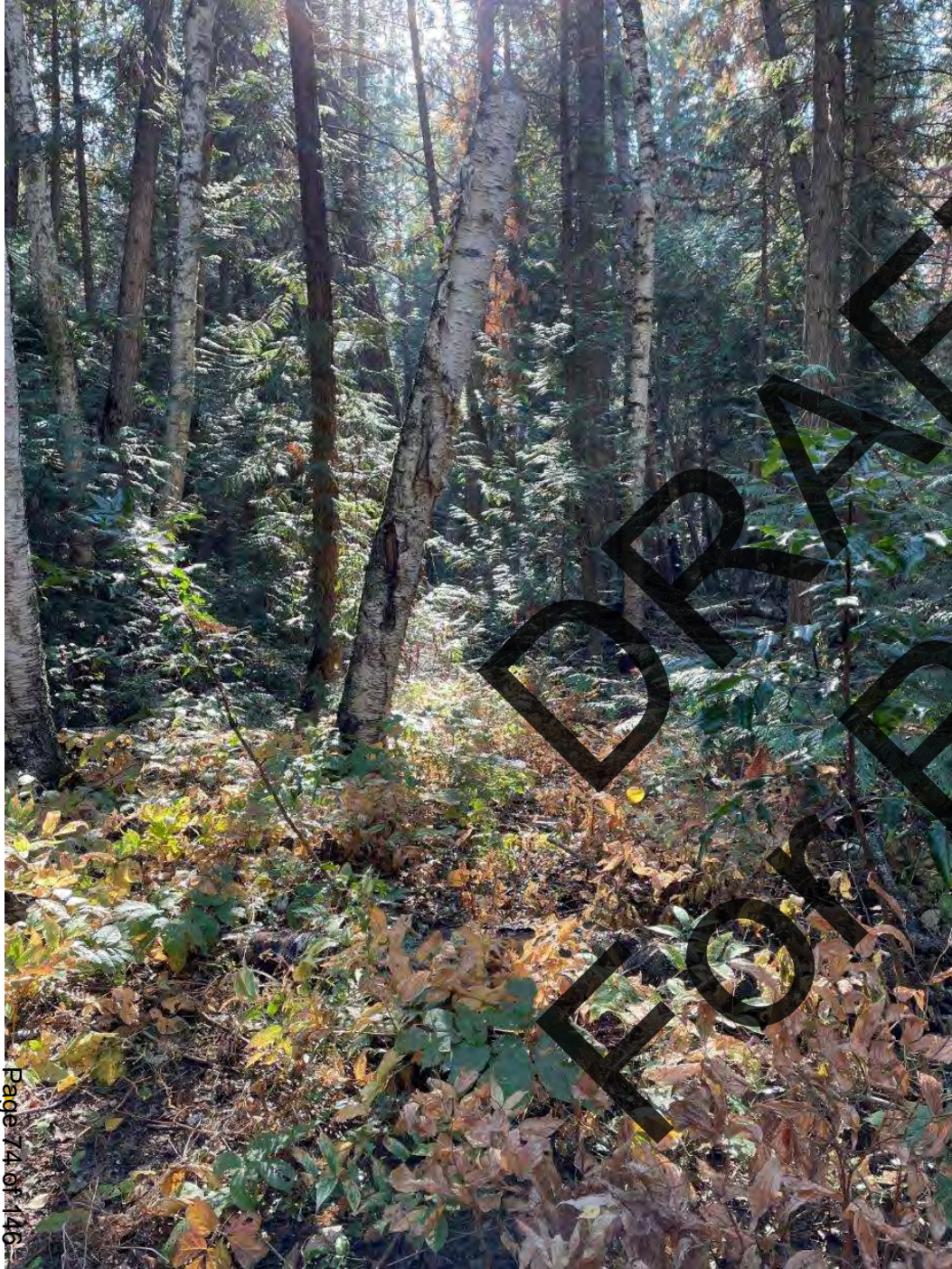


Complaints by Type



	2025	2024
Dog & Large Animal Complaints	21	41
Bylaw Enforcement Complaints	56	44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>85</b>

<u>Animal Control</u>	<u>Land Use</u>	<u>Other</u>
Dogs at Large	Building Bylaw Contravention	Traffic Bylaw Contravention
Dog has Bitten	Unightly	Traffic Concerns
Dog Attack	Allowable Uses Contravention	Noxious Weeds
Aggressive Dog	Noise Complaints	Highway Access
Puppy Mill	Building Without Permits	



# Strategic Priorities

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Water upgrades**
  - Grant funding in the amount of \$3.3 million dollars was invested into the community from the Investing in Canada Infrastructure program. In 2025 this funding allowed the completion of:
    - Larkin Reservoir expansion and Pressure Reducing Valve upgrade which will assist the Township to ensure that there is needed water to meet demand within the South.
    - Well 6 start of construction with completion of construction anticipated in 2026 this high production well will take the strain off of wells that have had issues with quality in the past and will help ensure consistent water availability for the South.
    - Construction of the South Larkin Trunkmain which removed many pinch points in the water main to the south helping to ensure consistent water for these residents and businesses.
- **North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project**
  - Funding shortfalls gaps reduced with assistance of Province and continuing work done for efficiencies and funding sources.
  - Worked with the Province to provide all necessary information for our Municipal Wastewater Regulation application.
  - Conditional approval provided in December 2025 which will allow construction to begin in 2026.
- **Deep Creek Source Water Quality Sampling**
  - 5<sup>th</sup> year of sampling was completed providing more information and the ability to trend stream health.
- **Creek Remediation Work**
  - Deep Creek remediation works submitted an application for grant funding to cover the cost of works.
  - Fortune Creek Phase 1 remediation works submitted to the Province.
  - Discussion underway with Province and Fortune Creek Diking District Trustees regarding dissolution of the district.

# Strategic Priorities

## 2025 STRATEGIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Soil Bylaw Adopted** 2025 was the first year this bylaw was in place and saw an influx of \$250K to the Township of Spallumcheen to assist with the cost of road renewal costs.
- **Agri-Industrial Area Underway** The Small Scale Meat Producers opened the first business in the Agri-Industrial Area, a butcher/cut and wrap facility supporting producers throughout the Okanagan.
- **Investment of \$4.51 Million into our Community** Through multiple grants, Council was able to leverage \$4.51 million dollars in funding in 2024 allowing for a greater investment into our community with little to no impact to taxpayers.
- **High Speed Internet** Continuing to work with service providers, Council championed the installation of high speed internet for all areas of the community. Connectivity and the ability to get information is so important in our rural setting and Council continues to work to ensure every resident and business has this vital service available.
- **Round Tables, Open Houses, & Town Hall Meetings** Communicating with and hearing from residents of Spallumcheen remains a high priority of Council and Round Tables, Open Houses & Town Hall Meetings are some of the ways that Council send information out into the community and gets information in from the community.

**Amalgamation of Water Local Area Services** The Township was able to realize significant efficiencies and advantages to future asset renewal by amalgamating nine (9) water Local Area Services into two (2).



*McLeod Subdivision Town Hall August 2025*





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# Planning & Development

## Planning and Development Responsibilities

<p><b>Current Planning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OCP &amp; Zoning Applications</li> <li>• Development &amp; Development Variance Permits</li> <li>• Temporary Use Permits</li> <li>• Subdivision Applications</li> <li>• Planning Application Review Dialogue (PAR) meetings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Long Range Planning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bylaw &amp; Policy Updates</li> <li>• Advisory Committees</li> <li>• Inter-Municipal Programs</li> <li>• Provincial Programs</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bylaw Enforcement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complaint Investigation and Follow-up</li> <li>• Bylaw Compliance Enforcement</li> </ul>
<p><b>Other Priorities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legal Reviews</li> <li>• Public Inquiries</li> <li>• Training</li> <li>• Review &amp; Issuance of Building Permits</li> <li>• Review of Business License Applications</li> </ul>

	2025	2024	2023
<b>Public Inquiries</b>	1055	597	1781
<b>Official Community Plan (OCP) &amp; Zoning Amendments Applications</b>	1	4	6
<b>Development &amp; Variance Permit Applications</b>	19	12	11
<b>Subdivision Applications</b>	5	4	7
<b>Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) Applications</b>	6	0	4
<b>Temporary Use Permit Applications</b>	2	2	1
<b>Building Inspection Hours</b>	838.20	783.89	762.50
<b>Building Permit Applications</b>	66	58	56
<b>Construction Value Received</b>	\$15.9M	\$17.1M	\$12.0M
<b>Building Permits Issued</b>	67	79	58
<b>Construction Value</b>	\$15.3M	\$15.5M	\$12.5M

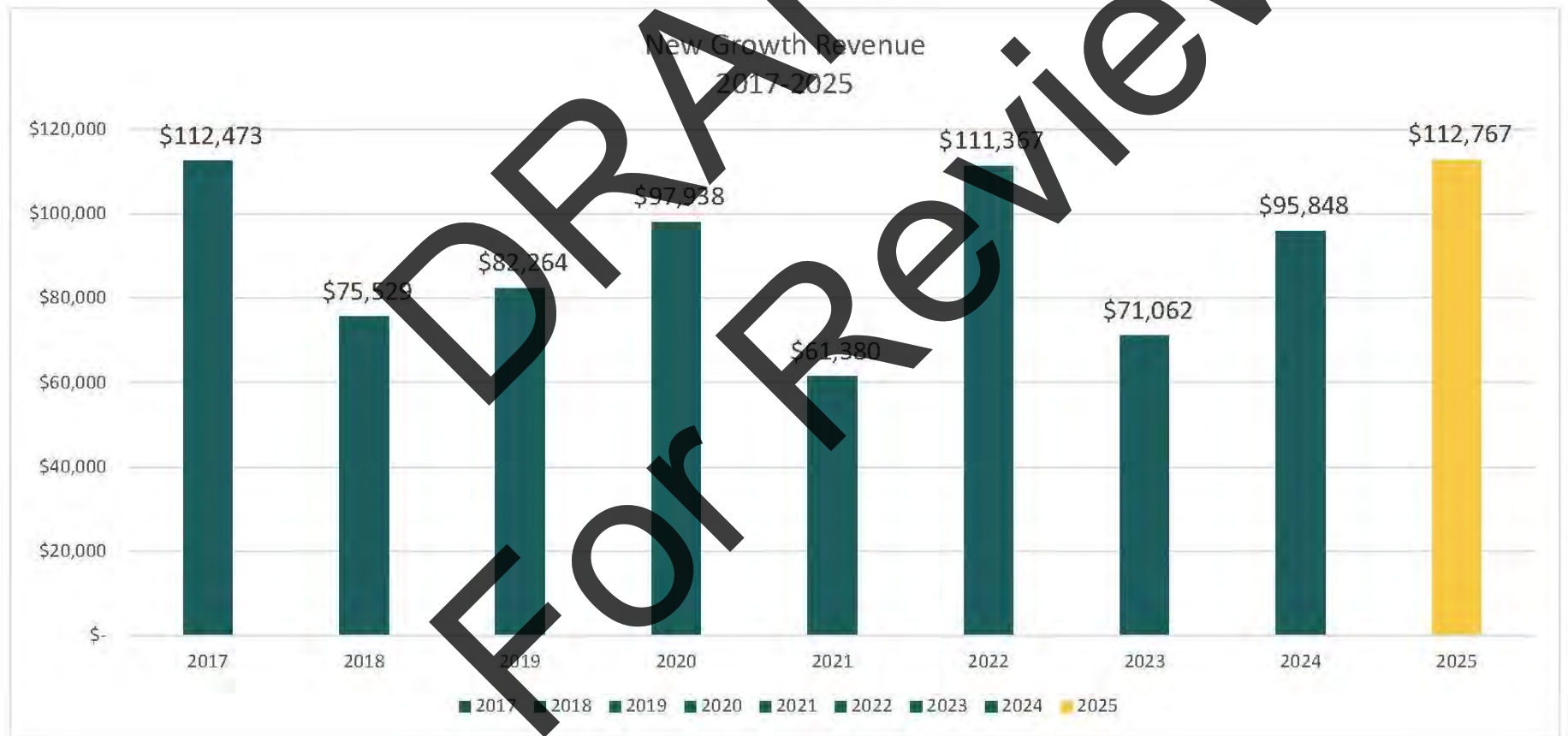
## Planning Accomplishments

- High level Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw Review
- Initiated Nuisance Property Abatement
- Noise Bylaw Review
- Delegation Bylaw Amendment Adopted
- Subdivision Servicing Bylaw Adopted

# Planning and Development

## \$820,628 in New Growth Revenue from 2017-2025.

New Growth Revenue is Property Tax Revenue on new assessment values that did not exist in the prior year. The Township is averaging just over \$91,000 in new growth annually.



# Planning and Development

For Community Planning to be effective, the vision for future development and land changes need to include values from the entire community. That is why a large component of our Planning and Development department is focusing on communication with the Community. Various ways our Planning and Development staff interact with the community are:



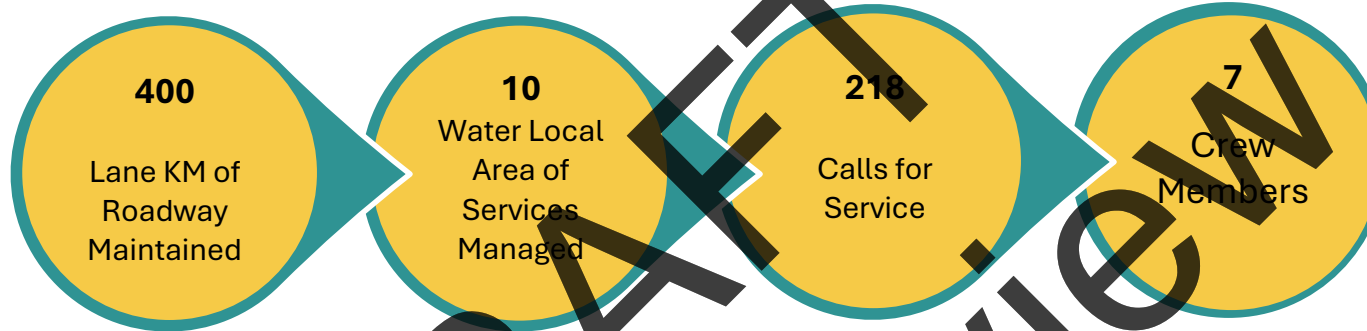


**Tyler McNeill**  
Manager of Operations

- Staff Members
- Brent Stowards**
  - Aaron Brown**
  - Al Bachi**
  - Chris Cowden**
  - Brendan Cooper**
  - Devin Chamberlaine**
  - Kenny Barg**
  - Katherine Eyre-Huber**

## OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

# Operations



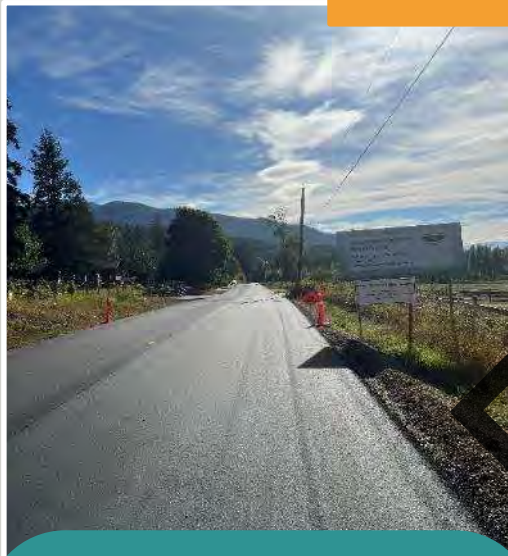
		OVERALL SUSTAINABILITY	TREND
	Water		
	Wastewater		
	Drainage and Flood Protection		
	Civic Facilities		
	Transportation		

## Responsibilities

- Municipal Operations
  - Roads
  - Water
- Drainage
- Fleet Maintenance
- Bylaw Enforcement
- Capital Planning and Engineering
- Tenders and Request for Proposals
- Contracts
- Contractor Management
- Asset Management
- Public Correspondence
- Grant Application and Management
- Government Reporting
- Departmental support
- Health and Safety

# Operations

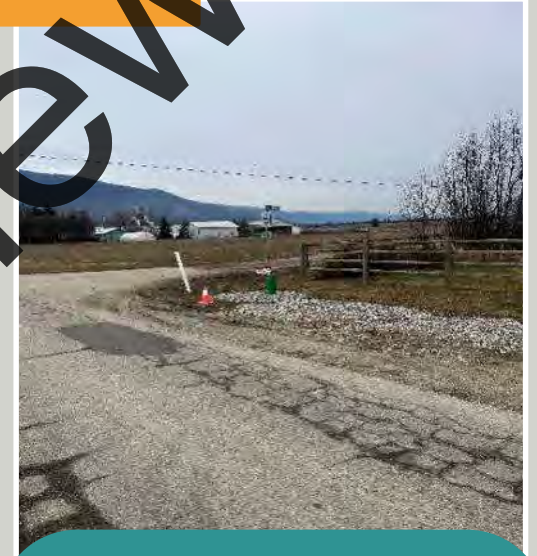
## 2025 Capital Projects



**Mountain  
View  
Road**



**Gravel on  
Pineridge  
Road**



**Larkin  
Sample  
Stations**

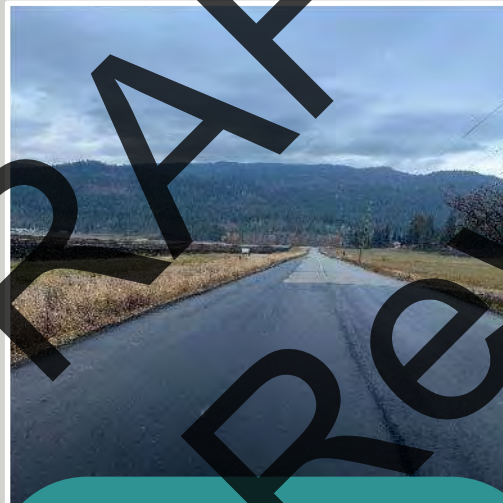
# Operations

## 2025 Operations Department Projects Completed



### Larkin Cross Road Watermain Repair

The Utilities staff completed three watermain repairs on Larkin Cross Road.



### Back Enderby Road Patching

The Township completed substantial patching repairs on Back Enderby Road. This was a \$70k investment.



### Water Tote

The Township distributed water totes during the summer in strategic areas such as Rose Swanson Hiking Trails.

# Operations

## Protecting Our Assets

### Protecting Our Roads Through Stormwater Management

#### Why Stormwater Matters

- Water saturates ditches
- Seeps into road base
- Freeze & thaw damage



#### Township Ditching Program

- Ditches Cleared
- Improves Drainage
- Prevents Road Saturation



#### Community Benefit

- Fill Offered to Residents
- Reduces Waste
- Supports Local Needs



#### Part of Asset Management

- Preventative Maintenance
- Extends Road Lifespan
- Reduces Long-Term Costs



**Operations Department – Investing in the Longevity of Township Assets**

# Operations

This past year, the Operations Department continued its commitment to protecting and enhancing the Township's infrastructure through proactive maintenance and responsible asset management. A key focus of this work has been our ditching and stormwater management program, which plays a critical role in preserving the long-term health of our road network.

Effective stormwater management is one of the most important factors in extending the lifespan of municipal roads. When roadside ditches become saturated or unable to drain properly, water can infiltrate the road base. During freeze-thaw cycles, this trapped moisture expands and contracts, weakening the structural integrity of the roadway. Over time, this leads to premature deterioration, increased maintenance needs, and higher long-term rehabilitation costs.

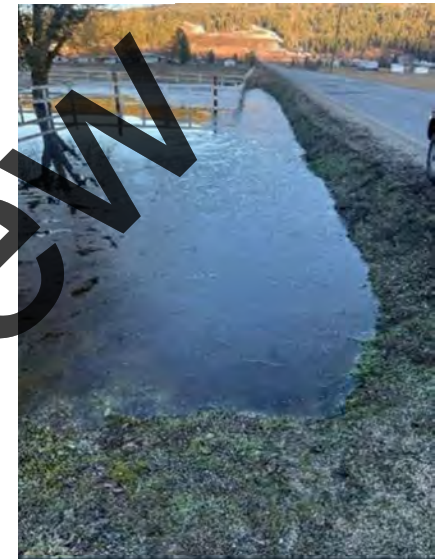
To prevent these issues, Township Public Works staff complete an annual ditching program designed to restore drainage, improve flow, and divert stormwater away from the road base. This program not only enhances road durability but also helps protect adjacent properties and the environment by ensuring water moves through the system as intended.

Whenever feasible, the material removed during ditching operations is offered to residents for personal use. This approach reduces disposal requirements, supports local needs, and reflects our commitment to responsible and efficient resource use.

Our ditching and stormwater work forms an essential component of the Township's broader Asset Management Program. By prioritizing preventative maintenance and addressing issues early, we reduce long-term costs while ensuring our infrastructure continues to serve the community safely and reliably.

The Operations Department remains dedicated to protecting public assets, supporting sustainable infrastructure, and delivering value to residents through thoughtful, proactive management.

*Before*



*After*





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**Review**



# Armstrong Spallumcheen Fire Department

## Fire Department Overview

The Armstrong Spallumcheen Fire Department (ASFD) provides emergency and fire protection services to the City of Armstrong and the Township of Spallumcheen. The department operates as a composite fire service, consisting of three career staff—including the Fire Chief, Deputy Chief/Training Officer, and Fire Prevention Officer—and approximately 36 Paid-On-Call Firefighters.

ASFD members dedicate thousands of hours annually to training, response readiness, prevention, and community engagement. The department responds to a diverse range of emergency incidents, including structure fires, wildland fire response, motor vehicle incidents, and technical rescues, while also delivering fire prevention services and public education programs throughout the communities.



Incident Type	2025	2024
Public or Agency Assist	45	36
Vehicle Fire	6	7
Forest/Grass/Brush Fire	9	13
Hazmat	10	4
Electrical Hazards	18	15
Alarm	79	92
Smoke Seen	42	38
Structure Fire	24	16
Motor Vehicle Accidents	84	70
First Responder - FMR	117	99
Non-Emergency Response	27	30
Technical Rescue	0	4
<b>Total Incidents</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>424</b>

### 2025 Service Highlights

In 2025, the Armstrong Spallumcheen Fire Department remained committed to delivering reliable, professional, and timely emergency services. Key operational highlights include:

- 461 emergency incidents responded to across the service area
- 4,245 hours of firefighter training, ensuring operational readiness and compliance with safety standards
- 465 fire safety inspections completed for residential, commercial, and institutional properties
- 11 public education events, promoting fire safety awareness and prevention
- 4 new recruit firefighters hired, strengthening operational capacity and succession planning
- New apparatus acquisition: Tender 1-3, a 2025 Freightliner equipped with a 2,000-imperial-gallon water tank, enhancing water delivery capabilities, particularly in rural and interface areas
- These activities reflect the department's balanced approach to emergency response, prevention, and community risk reduction.

# Armstrong Spallumcheen Fire Department

## Fire Prevention and Public Education

Fire prevention remains a cornerstone of ASFD's mission. Through proactive inspections, fire cause investigations, and public education initiatives, the department works to reduce fire risks before emergencies occur. Community outreach efforts in 2025 focused on increasing awareness around residential fire safety, smoke alarms, wildfire preparedness, and emergency response planning.



## Training and Workforce Development

Training continues to be a top priority for the department. In 2025, firefighters completed more than 4,200 hours of training, covering areas such as structural firefighting, wildland operations, emergency medical response, technical rescue, and incident command. Recruitment efforts resulted in the successful hiring of four new Paid-On-Call firefighters, ensuring the department remains resilient and prepared for future service demands.



## Looking Forward

As the community continues to grow and evolve, the Armstrong Spallumcheen Fire Department remains focused on delivering cost-effective, sustainable, and professional emergency services. Priorities moving forward include:

- Strengthening prevention and education initiatives
- Ensuring ongoing training and firefighter safety
- Maintaining and upgrading apparatus and equipment
- Supporting long-term service sustainability for both municipalities

Through continued collaboration with municipal partners and residents, ASFD is well-positioned to protect life, property, and the environment while minimizing the impacts of fire and emergencies within the community.



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# Armstrong Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Service

The Armstrong Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Service is a joint service owned and run by the Township of Spallumcheen and the City of Armstrong.

The aims and objectives of the service are:

1. To establish and maintain a diversity of recreation opportunities for the people of Armstrong-Spallumcheen.
2. To place, develop and operate a variety of facilities in a manner that will provide fair and equitable opportunities for a wide range of interests at an affordable cost to the taxpayer and participant.
3. To continually analyze programs and assess facilities to ensure that they meet ever changing needs.
4. To cooperate with other recreation agencies and the City and Township Councils to assist on matters relating to the coordination of total community recreation services and facilities.

The service is supported by a dedicated team of staff who deliver a wide range of parks and recreation services to the community. Staff bring a diverse set of skills and experience across operations, programming, aquatics, administration, and customer service, working collaboratively to ensure safe, accessible, and high-quality services.



## 2025 Commission Accomplishments

2025 marked a significant transition for Parks and Recreation, as services moved from a private service agreement to a local government delivery model under the Township of Spallumcheen. The primary focus throughout the year was on establishing a strong operational foundation to support this change. Initial efforts were concentrated on aligning core functions, including finance, human resources, marketing, information technology, and administrative support with local government processes and standards. While much of this work was foundational in nature, it was essential to ensure continuity of service and create a stable platform for future planning and improvements.



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# Armstrong Spallumcheen Parks and Recreation Service

## 2026 Parks & Recreation Outlook

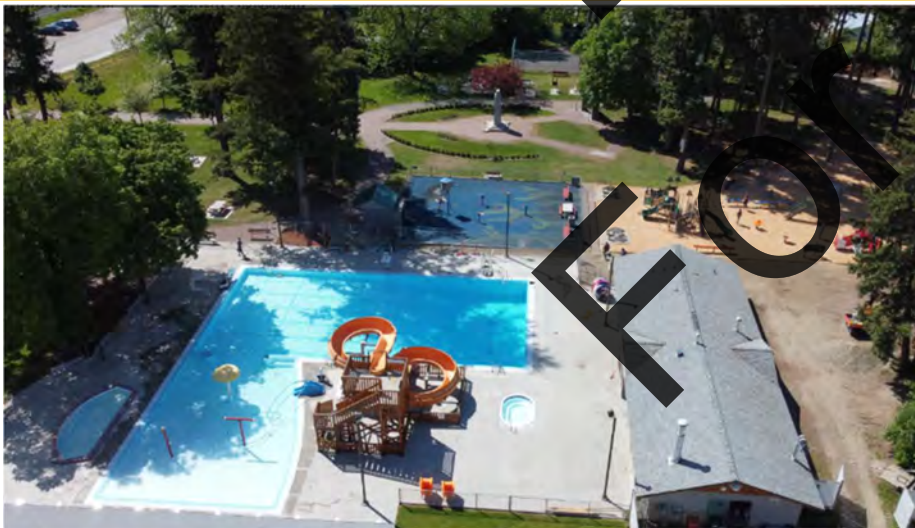
As Parks and Recreation moves beyond the initial transition period, 2026 will focus on strategic improvements that enhance both service delivery and long-term sustainability.

Priorities include planning for facilities and infrastructure renewal through asset management, strengthening partnerships with non-profit organizations through clear and consistent service agreements, and improving how services are delivered through greater operational efficiency.

This work will help ensure that programs and services continue to meet community needs in a responsible and sustainable way.

## Project Outlook for 2026

- Armstrong Spallumcheen Outdoor Pool:
  - Update changerooms
  - Replace boiler
  - Initiate replacement of the chemical delivery system
  - Replace pool grates
- Memorial Park:
  - New risers
- Fair Grounds:
  - Partnership with the Interior Provincial Exhibition for an electrical upgrade
  - Replacement of Riding Ring stairs
- Hassen Arena:
  - Replace make up air furnace





**Sandra McCrea**  
Chief Financial Officer

Staff Members  
**Theresa Cooper**  
**Katja Denner**  
**Katherine Eyre-Huber**

# Finance



## Department Responsibilities

- Annual Audit
- Five Year Financial Plan
- Financial Statements
- Property Taxes
- Reconciliations – all functions
- Utility Billing
- Payroll & HR Support
- Provincial Reporting
- Collections for other Governments
- Cemetery
- Business Licenses
- Dog Licenses

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# \$1.650M in Grant Funding in 2025



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## Community Works Fund - \$305,060

The Community Works Fund is based on a per capita formula. Local Governments make choices about which eligible local project to fund. Each project funded requires separate tracking and annual reporting.

### 2025 Projects Funded

Parks & Recreation Governance Review	OCP and Zoning Updates	NOWRP
Water Metering	Well #6 Upgrades	Larkin Reservoir
Capacity Building Emergency Management and Disaster Mitigation	Larkin Trunkmain	Development Approvals Program

### 2024 Projects Funded

Parks & Recreation Governance Review	OCP and Zoning Updates	NOWRP
Water DCC Bylaw	Agri-Hub	Capacity Building Emergency Management and Disaster Mitigation
Soil Deposit Removal Bylaw	Water System Financial Sustainability Plan	Larkin Trunkmain
Liquid Waste Management Plan - Phase 1	Make Water Work Campaign	Development Approvals Program

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## 2025 Permissive Tax Exemptions

The Township of Spallumcheen considers Permissive Exemptions as outlined in the *Community Charter* under sections 224, 225, 226, and 227. Section 227 outlines the notice requirements for Permissive Tax Exemptions. These exemptions relate to lands owned or held by a charitable, philanthropic, or other Not-for-profit organizations.

Applicants	Amount
Monastery of the Carmel of St. Joseph	\$2,183
Bill Miner Society for Cultural Advancement (Caravan Farm Theatre)	\$2,183
City of Vernon (O'Keefe Ranch)	\$5,007
Hullcar & Deep Creek Society	\$1,372
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,745</b>

## Fee for Service and Grant in Aid

The Township of Spallumcheen provides a fee for service for various organizations that provide a service on behalf of the municipality. The Township provides funding to ensure that those organizations are able to meet their financial obligations in relation to the services provided.

Applicants	Amount
Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce	\$16,000
Armstrong Spallumcheen Museum & Art Society	\$14,700
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$30,700</b>

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## 2025 Grants to Organizations

The Township also considers Grants-In-Aid applications by organizations that support their own programs through fundraising efforts. Those that are eligible require at least two-thirds of the Council members' support prior to being approved. Those that may be eligible include charitable institutions, agricultural or horticultural societies holding exhibitions, a society supporting athletic skills or sports, arts or cultural center maintained in the Township, a board or trade or Chamber of Commerce and a body organized to advance the general interests of municipal affairs in the community or celebrating an event of community interest.

Submissions for Grants-in-Aid must provide:

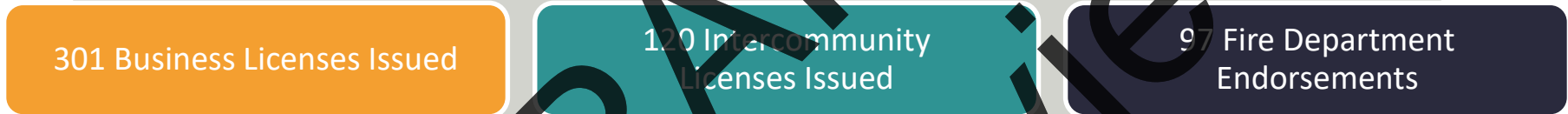
- The name of the organization, contact person, address, telephone number and registration number;
- Brief history of the organization, its purpose and Executive Members or Board of Directors;
- Copy of most recent audited or certified financial statements and current operating budget;
- Description of event, and summary of the benefits to the community;
- Details and relative efforts to be self-supporting; and
- The amount of funding requested.



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## Business Licensing Statistics and Information

The Township of Spallumcheen Council implemented business licensing in 2006. Spallumcheen was one of the communities involved in the pilot project for the inter-community business licensing program instituted for contractors to work in more than one community with only one license (as opposed to applying in each community). Council is a strong supporter of home occupations recognizing that in this day and age the more income that can be generated, the stronger the local economy.



### BUSINESS LICENSING FEES

Business License Application Fee (one time only)	\$100.00	Inter-Community Business License Fee (annual fee, if requested)	\$150.00
Annual Business License (annual fee)	\$30.00	Building Inspection (one time only)	Included with application
Fire Inspection Fee (annual fee)	\$100.00	Planning Department (one time only)	Included with application

Business licenses are referred for inspections to one, two, or all of the listed referrals below, as required (depending on the type of business you will be operating):

- Business License inspector (all businesses),
- Building Inspector (at the time of application)
- Fire Inspector (if required, an annual cost of \$100),
- Planning Department (to ensure you are meeting the Zoning Bylaw requirements), and
- Health Inspector (as per Provincial legislation)

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**Armstrong Spallumcheen Cemetery**  
4250 Highland Park Road, Spallumcheen, BC



## 2025 Internments

36 Burials in Graves

17 placements in Columbarium

## 2025 Year End

7 Full Burial Plots remaining

229 Cremation Plots remaining

13 Columbarium Niches remaining

## Statement of Financial Information Approval

The undersigned, as authorized by the Financial Information Regulation, Schedule 1, subsection 9(2), approves all the statements and schedules included in this Statement of Financial Information, produced under the **Financial Information Act**.

*Signature on file*

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Sandra McCrea,  
Chief Financial Officer

*Signature on file*

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Christine Fraser,  
Mayor

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## Schedule of Debt

The Debt is recorded in the financial statements in Note 8

## Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The accompanying financial statements of the Corporation of the Township of Spallumcheen (the “Township”) are the responsibility of management and have been prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board of Chartered Professional Accountants Canada. A summary of the significant accounting policies are described in the financial statements. The preparation of financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates based on management’s judgment, particularly when transactions affecting the current accounting periods cannot be finalized with certainty until future periods.

The Township’s management maintains a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, transactions are properly authorized and recorded in compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements, and reliable financial information is available on a timely basis for preparation of the financial statements. These systems are monitored and evaluated by management.

Mayor and Council meet with management and the external auditors to review the financial statements and discuss any significant financial reporting or internal control matters prior to their approval of the financial statements.

The financial statements have been audited by BDO LLP, independent external auditors appointed by the Township. The accompanying independent Auditor’s Report outlines their responsibilities, the scope of their examination and their opinion on the Township’s financial statements.

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Doug Allin  
Chief Administrative Officer

*Signature on file*

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Sandra McCrea  
Chief Financial Officer

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## Statement of Council Remuneration and Expenses

### Elected Officials

Name	Position	Remuneration	Expense
Fraser, Christine	Mayor	\$39,471	\$2,948
Bakker, Jan	Councillor	17,856	8,788
Casson, Andrew	Councillor	21,854	437
LeMaire, Christine	Councillor	22,354	7,350
Popoff, Gerry	Councillor	17,893	6,626
Van Tienhoven, Joe	Councillor	20,438	8,362
York, Todd	Councillor	21,754	2,020
	Total Council Remuneration	<b>\$161,620</b>	<b>\$36,531</b>

\*Remuneration as defined by the Financial Information Act includes any form of salary, wages, bonuses, gratuities, taxable benefits, payment into trust or any form of income deferral paid by the corporation to the employee or on behalf of the employee during the fiscal year being reported upon, whether or not such remuneration is reported under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and does not include anything payable under a severance agreement.

\*\* Expenses as defined by the Financial Information Act includes travel expenses, memberships, tuition, relocation, vehicle leases, expenditures required for employees to perform their job functions, and exclude benefits of a general nature applicable to all employees pursuant to an agreement such as medical, dental, counselling, insurance, and similar plans.

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## Statement of Staff Remuneration and Expenses

Employees	Position	Remuneration	Expense
Allin, Douglas	Chief Administrative Officer	\$ 256,791	\$ 13,382
Webb, Cindy	Corporate Officer	129,217	5,985
McCrea, Sandra	Chief Financial Officer	124,419	7,601
Gyorkos, Lisa	Manager of Strategic Priorities	113,753	3,290
McNeill, Tyler	Manager of Operations	112,040	1,700
Larsen, Lars	Manager of Parks & Recreation	107,167	1,568
Stowards, Brent	Foreman	103,302	175
Bachi, Allan	Mechanic	94,555	0
Brown, Aaron	Operator	88,050	240
Cooper, Brenden	Utility Operator	84,585	415
Cowden, Christopher	Utility Operator	82,147	1,477
Chamberlain, Devin	Operator	79,260	240
Total employees with remuneration greater than \$75,000		\$ 1,375,286	\$ 36,073
Add: employees with remuneration less than \$75,000		\$ 599,349	\$ 9,436
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$1,974,635</b>	<b>\$ 45,509</b>

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## Statement of Severance Agreements

There were no severance agreements under which payment commenced between the Township of Spallumcheen and its employees during the fiscal year 2025.

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Sandra McCrea  
Chief Financial Officer

## Statement of Guarantee and Indemnity Agreements

This organization has not given any guarantees or indemnities under the Guarantees and Indemnities.

## Schedule of Grants and Contributions

Organization	Amount
Armstrong & Area Community Resource Centre Society	\$2,500
Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce	16,000
Armstrong Spallumcheen Medical Loan Cupboard	2,500
Armstrong Spallumcheen Museum & Art Society	14,700
Armstrong Spallumcheen Trail Society	1,500
Caravan Farm Theatre	2,500
Haugen Community Healthcare Society	5,000
North Okanagan Ploughing Society	5,000
O'Keefe Ranch & Interior Heritage Society	5,000
	<b>\$54,700</b>

## Schedule of Suppliers of Goods or Services in Excess of \$25,000

Vendor	Payment Amount		
Aardvark Pavement Marking Services	\$76,318	Mada Contracting (Mike Hodge)	83,563
Alexis Szarek	120,893	Municipal Insurance Association of BC	107,690
Amrize Canada Inc.	1,022,441	NORS Construction Equipment Canada	112,664
Andrew Sheret Ltd.	25,353	Okanagan Aggregates Ltd.	49,489
Armstrong Regional Cooperative	150,521	Okanagan Civil Constructors Ltd.	317,429
Armstrong Spallumcheen Parks & Rec	42,789	Okanagan Regional Library	254,873
Armstrong Tree Fellers Inc.	29,321	Okanagan Traffic Control Inc.	101,142
Bannister Chevrolet Oldsmobile Inc.	60,354	R. James Western Star	29,065
BC Hydro	111,572	Receiver General of Canada (Payroll Source Deductions)	616,413
BDO Canada LLP	81,407	Receiver General of Canada (RCMP)	1,058,725
BM Truck Sales Ltd.	40,000	Regional District of North Okanagan	560,562
Canadian National	38,791	Sea to Sky Network Solutions	116,981
Carver Construction Ltd.	547,050	Tiger Calcium Services Inc.	68,730
Centralsquare Canada Software Inc.	36,066	Tristar Environmental Services Ltd	55,119
Chances Bulk Unloading Ltd	178,966	Turn-Key Controls	93,039
City of Armstrong	1,195,396	Urban Systems Ltd.	816,702
Cubex Limited	34,516	Vernon Paving Ltd. Division of Lafarge	30,249
Customair Conditioning Ltd.	38,183	Western Water Associates Ltd.	57,073
Dawson International Truck Centres Ltd.	39,054	Worksafe BC	35,478
Hill Environmental Ltd.	50,932	Young Anderson Barristers & Solicitors	50,225
Husky Energy Marketing Partnership	35,392	<b>Total Supplier Payments Greater than \$25,000</b>	<b>8,847,725</b>
Kal Tire	34,743		
Lafarge Canada Inc.	31,358	<b>Total Supplier Payments Less Than \$25,000</b>	<b>1,223,573</b>
			<b><u>\$10,071,298</u></b>

Prepared under the Financial Information Regulation Schedule 1, subsection 7(1)

The Schedule of Goods and Services does not include property taxes or water rates collected on behalf of and remitted to other taxing authorities.

The Schedule of Goods and Services has been prepared on a cash basis whereas the financial statements were prepared on an accrual accounting basis, therefore, no reconciliation of this schedule with the financial statements has been prepared.

Township of Spallumcheen 2025 Financial Statements

Township of Spallumcheen Financial Statements to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025

Township of Spallumcheen  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
December 31, 2025

Township of Spallumcheen  
December 31, 2025

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**MANAGEMENT'S STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY**

These financial statements and accompanying schedules of the Township of Spallumcheen are the responsibility of management and have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for local governments as established by the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada.

Management is responsible for implementing and maintaining a system of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, transactions are properly authorized and recorded and reliable financial information is available on a timely basis for preparation of the financial statements. These systems are regularly monitored and evaluated by management.

These financial statements have been audited by BDO Canada LLP, independent external auditors appointed by the Township of Spallumcheen. The following Independent Auditor's Report describes their responsibilities, scope of examination, and opinion on the Township of Spallumcheen's financial statements. The external auditors have full access to the Township's Council.

Sandra McCrea, CPA  
Chief Financial Officer

May 11, 2026

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Mayor and Council of the Township of Spallumcheen:

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of the Township of Spallumcheen (the Township), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2025, and the statement of operations and accumulated surplus, change in net financial assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Township as at December 31, 2025, and the results of operations, change in net financial assets, and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

**Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Township in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Township's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Township or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Township's financial reporting process.

**Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Township's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Township to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants

Spallumcheen, British Columbia  
June 7, 2025



**Township of Spallumcheen**  
**Statement of Financial Position**

As at December 31

2025      2024

**Financial Assets**

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 15,104,060	\$ 12,254,988
Portfolio Investments (Note 2)	9,483,233	12,387,787
Accounts Receivable (Note 3)	3,720,855	4,631,597
Municipal Finance Authority Cash Deposits (Note 4)	7,626	7,404
	<b>28,315,774</b>	<b>29,281,776</b>

**Liabilities**

Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities (Note 5)	1,076,278	3,180,365
Tax Sale Subject to Redemption	16,915	17,416
Deferred Revenue and Deposits (Note 6)	10,341,586	10,747,263
Long Term Debt (Note 7)	380,015	407,954
Asset Retirement Obligation (Note 8)	1,189,008	1,135,104
	<b>13,003,802</b>	<b>15,488,102</b>

Net Financial Assets

	<b>15,311,972</b>	<b>13,793,674</b>
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**Non-Financial Assets**

Prepaid Expenses	73,896	-
Land Acquired Under Tax Sale	1,205	1,205
Tangible Capital Assets (Note 9)	51,510,605	51,340,337
	<b>51,585,706</b>	<b>51,341,542</b>

**Accumulated Surplus (Note 10)**

	<b>\$ 66,897,678</b>	<b>\$ 65,135,216</b>
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Contingent Liabilities and Commitments (Note 11)

Approved by:

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Christine Fraser  
Mayor


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Sandra McCrea, CPA  
Chief Financial Officer

See accompanying notes and schedules to the financial statements

 Township of Spallumcheen Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus			
For the year ended December 31	Budget 2025	Actual 2025	Actual 2024
<b>Revenues</b>			
Taxation (Note 12)	\$ 7,778,918	\$ 8,167,693	\$ 7,571,810
Parcel Taxes (Note 13)	946,568	1,196,373	878,314
Government Transfers (Note 14)	3,729,320	1,903,520	3,634,832
Sale of Services (Note 15)	638,055	453,435	393,983
Portfolio Investments	113,990	642,858	1,288,194
Other Revenue	-	138,124	149,363
	<u>13,206,851</u>	<u>12,502,003</u>	<u>13,916,448</u>
<b>Expenses</b>			
General Government Services	1,872,729	1,923,321	1,673,672
Protective Services	1,177,853	1,122,457	956,947
Transportation Services	2,397,268	4,473,568	3,729,152
Public Health & Welfare Services	5,551	5,288	5,172
Community Development Services	708,768	381,781	342,758
Recreational and Cultural Services	32,526	16,634	16,391
Fiscal Services	21,217	14,957	20,089
Water Utilities	654,947	993,080	1,344,308
Sewer	-	251,452	800,102
Joint Functions	1,201,667	1,557,324	1,412,526
	<u>8,072,526</u>	<u>10,739,542</u>	<u>10,378,117</u>
Surplus, before restructuring transaction	-	1,762,461	3,638,331
<b>Annual Surplus</b>	<u>\$ 1,762,461</u>	<u>1,762,461</u>	<u>3,638,331</u>
<b>Accumulated Surplus, End of Year (Note 10)</b>	<u>\$ 66,867,678</u>	<u>\$ 66,867,678</u>	<u>\$ 65,135,216</u>

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 Township of Spallumcheen Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets			
For the year ended December 31	Budget 2025	Actual 2025	Actual 2024
Annual Surplus	\$ 1,762,461	\$ 1,762,461	\$ 3,638,331
Amortization of Tangible Capital Assets	-	2,024,346	1,937,952
Acquisition of Tangible Capital Assets	(5,530,387)	(4,284,399)	(7,076,038)
Disposal of Tangible Capital Assets	-	2,089,789	-
Net Consumption (Acquisition) of Prepaid Expenses	-	(73,899)	33,243
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(396,062)	1,518,298	(1,466,512)
Net financial assets, beginning of year	13,793,674	13,793,674	15,260,186
<b>Net financial assets, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 13,397,612</u>	<u>\$ 15,311,972</u>	<u>\$ 13,793,674</u>
Net financial assets, opening - as previously stated	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,260,186
Net financial assets, opening - restated	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,260,186
Increase (decrease) in net financial assets - as previously stated	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,466,512)
Increase in net financial assets - restated	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,466,512)
<b>Net financial assets, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 13,397,612</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 13,793,674</u>


See accompanying notes and schedules to the financial statements

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Township of Spallumcheen		2025	2024
<b>Operating</b>			
Cash Receipts from Taxation	\$ 9,146,360	\$ 7,863,482	
Cash Receipts from Government Transfers	1,402,086	1,066,300	
Cash Receipts from Sale of Services	1,553,599	3,861,205	
Cash Receipts from Other	171,749	183,010	
Cash Payments to Suppliers and Employees	(12,994,681)	(7,048,967)	
Interest Received	636,136	1,289,965	
Interest Paid	(14,957)	(20,083)	
	(99,708)	7,194,911	
<b>Capital</b>			
Purchase of Tangible Capital Assets	(2,024,346)	(6,076,035)	
Disposal of Tangible Capital Assets	2,069,799		
	45,453	(7,076,035)	
<b>Investing</b>			
Investments Acquired		1,890,348	
Investments Redeemed	2,904,554	-	
	2,904,554	1,890,348	
<b>Financing</b>			
Debt Repayment	(21,217)	(21,217)	
Increase (decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,849,072	1,988,007	
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	12,254,988	10,266,981	
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 15,104,060</b>	<b>\$ 12,254,988</b>	

*See accompanying notes and schedules to the financial statements*

Township of Spallumcheen	
<b>Notes to Financial Statements</b>	
For the year ended December 31, 2025	
<b>1. Significant Accounting Policies</b>	
<u>Nature of Business</u>	
The Township of Spallumcheen (the "Township") was incorporated on July 21, 1892 under the laws of British Columbia. The Township operates under the provisions of the Local Government Act and the Community Charter. The Township provides municipal services such as public works, water, planning, fire protection services, recreational and cultural services and other general government operations.	
<u>Basis of Accounting</u>	
These financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for local governments as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada.	
<u>Measurement Uncertainty</u>	
The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Significant estimates in these financial statements include the determination of the useful lives of tangible capital assets, asset retirement obligations and assessment of legal claims. For common financial statement items, such as accounts payable and allowances for doubtful accounts, measurement uncertainty is inherent but not assessable. These estimates and assumptions are based on management's judgment and the best information available at the time of preparation and may differ significantly from actual results. Estimates are reviewed annually to reflect new information as it becomes available.	
<u>Segment Disclosures</u>	
A segment is defined as a distinguishable activity or group of activities of a government for which it is appropriate to separately report financial information. For each reported segment, revenues and expenses are recorded that are either directly attributable to the segment or are allocated to the segment on a reasonable, consistent basis. The accounting policies used for these segments are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the financial statements as described in Note 1. The Township has provided definitions of the segments in Note 18 as well as presented financial information in segmented format for the current and prior year in Schedule 1.	
<u>Budget Figures</u>	
The budget figures presented are compiled from the five-year financial plan adopted by bylaw prior to May 15th each year. Certain amounts have been reallocated to conform with Public Sector Accounting Standards (PSAB) presentation requirements where required (see Note 17). Any subsequent amendments to the budget bylaw are not reflected in the budget figures.	



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Cash

Cash includes cash on hand and demand deposits, held at financial institutions.

Deferred Revenue and Deposits

Deferred revenue and deposits includes the refundable portion of development permits and building permits, performance security deposits, prepaid property taxes, and deferred grants. Refundable deposits are recorded as a liability when received and will be refunded in the fiscal year in which the service contract expires or the performance obligations have been met. If a security deposit is drawn upon, it is recognized as revenue in the fiscal year in which the services are performed or the expenses are incurred.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recorded in the period in which the transactions or events that gave rise to the revenue occurred, provided that reasonable estimates of the amounts can be made. Amounts received in advance of services rendered or obligations fulfilled are recorded as deferred revenue until the services have been provided or the obligation that led to the collection of funds has been discharge.

Taxes are recorded at estimated amounts when they meet the definition of an asset, have been authorized and the taxable event occurs. For property taxes, the taxable event is the period for which the tax is levied. As taxes recorded are initially based on management's best estimate of the taxes that will be received, it is possible that changes in future conditions, such as reassessments due to audits, appeals and court decisions, could result in a change in the amount of tax revenue recognized. Taxes receivable are recognized net of an allowance for anticipated uncollectable amounts.

The Township is required by the School Act to bill, collect and remit provincial education support levies in respect of residential and other properties on behalf of the province, and school division special levies on behalf of school divisions. The Township has no jurisdiction or control over the school division's operations or their mill rate increases. Therefore, taxation revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities with respect to the operations of school boards are not reflected in these financial statements.


Government grants and transfers are recognized in the financial statements as revenue in the period in which events giving rise to the transfer occur, providing the transfers are authorized, any eligibility criteria have been met, and except to the extent that transfer stipulations give rise to an obligation that meets the definition of a liability. Transfers are recognized as deferred revenue when transfer stipulations give rise to a liability. Transfer revenue is recognized in the statement of operations and accumulated surplus as the stipulation liabilities are settled.

Non-Financial Assets

Non-financial assets are held for use in the provision of services and are not normally available to discharge liabilities. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the net operating surplus for the year, provides the change in net financial assets for the year.

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Tangible Capital Assets

Tangible capital assets, including assets held under capital lease, are recorded at cost in the period in which they are acquired or constructed. Cost includes all amounts that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction, development, or improvement of the asset. Costs of repairs and maintenance are charged to operations, and expenses that improve or extend the useful life of an existing asset are capitalized.

Contributed Assets

Contributed or donated assets are capitalized and recorded at their estimated fair value upon acquisition, with a corresponding entry to revenue in the period received.

Assets Under Construction

Assets under construction are projects that are currently under planning, development or construction that will result in a tangible capital asset at a future date. These costs are not amortized until the asset is available and ready for productive use. Interest incurred on borrowed funds used during construction is not capitalized.

Amortization

The cost of tangible capital assets, less any residual value, is amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings and Structures	30 to 100 Years
Engineering Structures	20 to 75 Years
Land	Not Amortized
Machinery and Equipment	5 to 75 Years
Water Utilities	50 to 75 Years
Work in Progress	Not Amortized

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Liability for Contaminated Sites

Contaminated sites are a result of contamination being introduced into air, soil, water or sediment of a chemical, organic or radioactive material or live organism that exceeds an environmental standard. A liability for remediation of contaminated sites is recognized when all the following criteria are met:

- an environmental standard exists;
- contamination exceeds the environmental standard;
- the Township is directly responsible or accepts responsibility;
- it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up, and
- a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

The liability is recognized as management's estimate of the cost of post-remediation including operation, maintenance and monitoring that are an integral part of the remediation strategy for a contaminated site. As at December 31, 2024, the Township has reported no amounts as liability for contaminated sites.

Asset Retirement Obligation

A liability for an asset retirement obligation is recognized when there is a legal obligation to incur retirement costs in relation to a tangible capital asset, the past transaction or event giving rise to the liability has occurred; it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up, and a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made. The liability is recorded at an amount that is the best estimate of the expenditure required to retire a tangible capital asset at the financial statement date. This liability is subsequently reviewed at each financial reporting date and adjusted for the passage of time and for any revisions to the timing, amount required to settle the obligation or the discount rate. Upon the initial measurement of an asset retirement obligation, a corresponding asset retirement cost is added to the carrying value of the related tangible capital asset if it is still in productive use. This cost is amortized over the useful life of the tangible capital asset. If the related tangible capital asset is unrecognized or no longer in productive use, the asset retirement costs are expensed.

Financial Instruments

Cash and equity instruments quoted in an active market are measured at fair value (hierarchy level one – quoted market prices). All other financial instruments, are measured at cost or amortized cost. The carrying amount of each of these financial instruments is presented on the statement of financial position.

When investment income is externally restricted, the investment income is recognized as revenue in the period in which the resources are used for the purpose specified.

For financial instruments measured using amortized cost, the effective interest rate method is used to determine interest revenue or expense.

For portfolio investments measured at cost, the cost method records the initial investment at cost and earnings from such investments are recognized only to the extent received or receivable. When an investment is written down to recognize an impairment loss, the new carrying value is deemed to be the new cost basis for subsequent accounting purposes.



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All financial assets are tested annually for impairment. When financial assets are impaired, impairment losses are recorded in the statement of operations.

Transaction costs are added to the carrying value for financial instruments measured using cost or amortized cost. Transaction costs are expensed for financial instruments measured at fair value.

**2. Cash and Temporary Investments**

Temporary investments are held bearing interest at an average rate of 2.67% with maturities ranging from January to December 2025.

**3. Accounts Receivable**

	2025	2024
Federal Government	\$ 219,306	\$ 1,671,969
Provincial Government	61,526	71,587
Municipal Government and Other	1,573,188	1,858,449
Trade Receivables	1,037,439	462,846
Taxes Receivable - Current	345,366	439,664
Taxes Receivable - Arrears	353,201	117,227
Taxes Receivable - Delinquent	130,829	9,855
	<b>\$ 3,720,855</b>	<b>\$ 4,631,597</b>



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**4. Municipal Finance Authority Cash Deposits**

The Township is required to issue its long term debt instruments through the Municipal Finance Authority ("the MFA"). As a condition of these borrowings, 1% of the gross debenture proceeds are withheld by the MFA as a debt reserve fund. The debt reserve fund is invested by the MFA and interest earned and expenses incurred are reported annually to the Township. If at any time the MFA does not have sufficient funds to meet payments or sinking fund contributions due on its obligations, the payments will be made from the debt reserve fund. Details of cash deposits held in the debt reserve fund are as follows:

<u>Debt Reserve Fund - Cash Deposits</u>	2025	2024
Issue 137 - Armstrong/Spallumcheen Fire Hall	\$ 7,626	\$ 7,404

The Township is also required to execute a demand note for each borrowing in the amount of one-half of the average annual principal and interest due, less the amount held back for the debt reserve fund. As at December 31, 2025 the demand note balance was \$12,408 (2024-\$12,408). The demand notes payable to the MFA are only callable in the event that a local government defaults on its loan obligation. As there has never been a default in the history of the MFA, it is unlikely that the demand notes will be called; therefore, the contingent liability has not been recorded in the financial statements.

**5. Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities**

	2025	2024
Trade Payables	\$ 373,594	\$ 2,582,522
Wages and Benefits Payable	702,653	597,843
	\$ 1,076,247	\$ 3,180,365

Employee Future Benefits

The amount of vacation, banked time and sick pay accrued and included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities for the current year is based upon management's best estimate based upon past performance. The estimated total liability for employee future benefits at December 31, 2025 is approximately \$595,508 (\$530,616 in 2024).



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**6. Deferred Revenue and Deposits**

	2025	Received	Recognized	2025
Subdivision Deposits	355,954	-	\$ -	\$ 355,955
Prepaid Taxes	390,332	302,508	(257,564)	435,276
Business Licences	-	38,950	(38,950)	-
Cash-in-lieu Payment	33,625	-	-	33,625
Grants	8,519,331	338,312	(445,357)	8,409,286
Development Cost Charges	865,717	82,304	24,382	912,403
Performance Deposits	545,304	639,992	(1,090,255)	195,041
	\$ 10,747,263	\$ 1,402,066	\$ (1,807,744)	\$ 10,341,586

In 2020, the Township received a government transfer for improvements in the dyking along Fortune Creek for flood protection. According to stipulations in the funding agreement any unspent funding at the project term must be repaid. As of year end, \$641,064 of the funding was unspent and as a result the Township has deferred the amount.

On March 15, 2020 the Township received \$9,388,124 from the Province of BC as an initial payment for the North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project. As of year end, \$6,514,940 of this funding is unspent and as a result the Township has deferred this amount.



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**7. Long Term Debt**

All long term debt is reported net of sinking fund balances. Sinking fund instalments are invested by the MFA and earn income, which together with principal payments are expected to be sufficient to retire the debt issue at maturity. Where the MFA has determined that sufficient funds exist to retire a debt issue on its maturity date without further instalments, payments are suspended by the MFA and the Township's liability is reduced to nil. Should those funds prove to be insufficient at maturity, the resulting deficiency becomes a liability of the Township. All debt issues have a term of 20 years.

	Year	Rate	Amount Borrowed	Sinking Fund	Balance 2025	Balance 2024
Issue 17 - Fire	2016	2.60%	600,000	219,985	380,015	407,954
			\$ 600,000	\$ 219,985	\$ 380,015	\$ 407,954

Principal payments and sinking fund instalments due in the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

	Water	Fire	Total
2026	\$ -	\$ 28,916	\$ 28,916
2027	-	29,928	29,928
2028	-	30,975	30,975
2029	-	32,059	32,059
2030	-	33,181	33,181
Thereafter	-	224,956	224,956
Total	\$ -	\$ 380,015	\$ 380,015



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**8. Asset Retirement Obligation**

The Township's asset retirement obligation consists of the following obligations:

a) Asbestos obligation

The Township owns and operates several buildings that are known to contain asbestos, which represents a health hazard and which various regulations require special considerations upon asset retirement. Following the adoption of PS 3280 – Asset Retirement Obligations, the Township recognized an obligation relating to the removal and post-removal care of the asbestos in these buildings as estimated at December 31, 2023. The buildings have an estimated useful life of 50-100 years from the date of completion of construction, of which various numbers of years remain. Estimated costs of \$1,069,978 have been discounted to the present value using a discount rate of 4.27% per annum (2024 – 4.27%).

b) Wells

The Township has 19 wells requiring decommissioning at the end of their useful life under the Water Sustainability Act. Following the adoption of PS 3280 – Asset Retirement Obligations, the Township recognized an obligation relating to the decommissioning of wells as estimated at December, 2023. The wells have an estimated useful life of 5-75 years, of which various numbers of years remain. Estimated costs of \$190,000 have been discounted to the present value using a discount rate of 4.27% per annum (2024 – 4.27%).

Changes in the asset retirement obligation in the year are as follows:

Asset Retirement Obligation	Asbestos Remediation	Well Decommissioning	2025
Opening Balance	\$975,357	\$159,717	\$1,135,104
Additions	-	-	-
Accretion Expense	46,160	7,744	53,904
Closing Balance	\$1,021,517	\$167,461	\$1,188,908

Asset Retirement Obligation	Asbestos Remediation	Well Decommissioning	2024
Opening Balance	\$939,569	\$154,029	\$1,093,618
Additions	-	-	-
Accretion Expense	35,798	5,888	41,486
Closing Balance	\$975,357	\$159,717	\$1,135,104

The asset retirement liability has been estimated using a net present value technique using the assumptions as described above. The related asset retirement costs are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining useful lives of the assets.

Significant estimates and assumptions are made in determining the asset retirement costs as there are numerous factors that will affect the amount ultimately payable. Those uncertainties may result in future actual expenditures that are different than the amounts currently recorded. At each reporting date, as more information and experience is obtained as it relates to these asset retirement obligations, the estimates of the timing, the undiscounted cash flows and the discount rates may change. Adjustments to these factors are accounted for as an adjustment to the asset retirement obligation and the related tangible capital asset in the current period on a prospective basis.



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**9. Tangible Capital Assets**

	Cost			Accumulated Amortization			2025	2024	
	Opening Balance	Additions	Disposals	Opening Balance	Additions	Disposals	Net Book Value	Net Book Value	
Land	\$ 4,614,032	\$ -	-	\$ 4,614,032	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,614,032	\$ 4,614,032	
Buildings and Structures	9,277,181	17,676	-	9,294,857	(3,688,616)	(180,155)	5,426,066	5,588,567	
Engineering Structures	84,723,008	3,008,662	-	87,731,670	(64,322,687)	(1,394,093)	22,014,890	20,400,320	
Machinery and Equipment	7,700,725	221,788	-	7,922,513	(4,375,901)	(244,659)	3,301,953	3,324,824	
Work in Progress	2,226,255	20,442	(89,789)	1,666,908	-	-	156,908	2,226,254	
Water Utilities	16,108,073	768,961	-	16,877,034	(921,733)	(205,440)	15,749,861	15,186,340	
	\$ 124,649,274	\$ 4,037,528	\$ (89,789)	\$ 126,597,014	\$ (73,308,937)	\$ (2,024,347)	\$ (75,333,264)	\$ 51,263,730	\$ 51,340,337

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**10. Accumulated Surplus**

	2025	2024
<u>Operating Fund</u>		
Operating	\$ 9,548,532	\$ 5,573,087
Roads	665,583	665,583
General Government Reserve	98,973	98,973
Future Policing Reserve	335,654	329,654
Snow Removal Accumulated Deficit	(161,421)	(161,840)
Fire Training Centre	10,281	10,281
Sewer Operating Reserve (Accumulated Deficit)	338,693	192,208
Stepping Stones Accumulated Surplus	(2,755,071)	456,961
Pleasant Valley Accumulated Surplus	201,117	196,611
Hankey Accumulated Surplus	74,699	74,013
Highland Operating Accumulative Surplus	69,437	69,407
Larkin Operating Accumulative Surplus	593,384	446,785
Stardel Operating Accumulative Surplus	4,700	3,036
Lansdowne Operating Reserve (Accumulated Deficit)	84,545	73,690
Round Prairie Accumulated Surplus	21,965	20,774
Eagle Rock Accumulated Surplus	(242,453)	(211,523)
Silver Star Operating Accumulated Surplus	743,320	740,197
	<u>\$ 9,661,726</u>	<u>\$ 8,545,896</u>
<u>Statutory Reserve Fund</u>		
External Equipment Reserve	293,880	293,880
Capital Infrastructure Reserve	1,437,493	1,344,385
Internal Equipment Reserve	1,793	1,701
Joint Fire Department Reserve	366,837	338,293
Joint Cemetery Reserve	119,277	119,277
Joint Parks & Rec Reserve	122,396	121,900
Park Sales Land Reserve	113,776	113,776
Water Source Development Reserve	45,000	45,000
Reserve for Grant Independence	248,279	248,279
	<u>2,751,408</u>	<u>2,626,491</u>
<u>Community Works Fund</u>		
	<u>3,549,575</u>	<u>3,226,064</u>
<u>Growing Communities Fund</u>		
	<u>898,000</u>	<u>898,000</u>
<u>Capital Fund</u>		
General Capital Fund	38,776,814	35,151,470
Water Capital Fund	11,260,157	10,687,298
	<u>50,036,971</u>	<u>49,838,768</u>
	<u>\$ 66,897,678</u>	<u>\$ 65,435,220</u>



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**10. Accumulated Surplus (Continued)**

	2025	2024
<u>Capital Fund, Beginning of Year</u>		
Capital Fund, Beginning of Year	\$ 49,838,768	\$ 44,673,688
Amortization of Tangible Capital Assets	(2,024,346)	(1,937,952)
Acquisition of Tangible Capital Assets	2,194,610	7,076,036
Principal Payment	21,217	21,217
Actuarial Adjustment	6,722	5,777
Capital Fund, End of Year	<u>\$ 50,036,971</u>	<u>\$ 49,838,768</u>
<u>Community Works Fund, Beginning of Year</u>		
Community Works Fund, Beginning of Year	\$ 3,226,063	\$ 3,547,754
Grants Received	305,060	305,060
Interest Income	90,077	123,297
Project Expenditures	(71,625)	(750,047)
Community Works Fund, End of Year	<u>\$ 3,549,575</u>	<u>\$ 3,226,064</u>
<u>Statutory Reserve Fund, Beginning of Year</u>		
Statutory Reserve Fund, Beginning of Year	\$ 2,626,491	\$ 2,880,243
Interest Income	124,915	174,767
Expenditures	-	(428,519)
Statutory Reserve Fund, End of Year	<u>\$ 2,751,408</u>	<u>\$ 2,626,491</u>



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**11. Contingent Liabilities**

Regional District of North Okanagan

The Township is a member of the North Okanagan Regional District and is liable for its proportion of any operating deficits or long-term debt related to functions in which it participates.

Municipal Insurance Association of BC

Commencing December 31, 1987, the Township of Spallumcheen entered into a self insurance program with British Columbia municipalities and regional districts. The Township is obliged under the program to pay a percentage of its fellow insured's losses. The Township pays an annual premium, which is anticipated to be adequate to cover any losses incurred.

Municipal Pension Plan

The Township and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan (the Plan), a jointly trustee pension plan. The Board of Trustees, representing plan members and employers, is responsible for administering the Plan, including investment of assets and administration of benefits. The Plan is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Basic pension benefits provided are based on a formula. As at December 31, 2024, the Plan has about 273,000 active members and 132,000 retired members. Active members include approximately 47,000 contributors from local governments.

Every three years, an actuarial valuation is performed to assess the financial condition of the plan and adequacy of plan funding. The actuary determines an appropriate combined employer and member contribution rate to fund the plan. The actuary's calculated contribution rate is based on the entry-age normal cost method, which produces the long-term rate of member and employer contributions sufficient to provide benefits for average future entrants to the plan. This rate may be adjusted for the amortization of any actuarial funding surplus and will be adjusted for the amortization of any unfunded actuarial liability.

The most recent actuarial valuation for the Municipal Pension Plan, as at December 31, 2024, indicated a \$2,675 million funding surplus for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis.

The Township paid \$149,338 (\$148,756 in 2024) for employer contributions to the plan in the fiscal year.

The next valuation will be as at December 31, 2027.

Employers participating in the Plan record their pension expense as the amount of employer contributions made during the fiscal year (defined contribution pension plan accounting). This is because the plan records accrued liabilities and accrued assets for the plan in aggregate, resulting in no consistent and reliable basis for allocating the obligation, assets and cost to the individual employers participating in the plan.



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**12. Taxation**

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
Taxation			
General Municipal Purposes	7,626,296	\$ 8,014,485	\$ 7,324,548
1% Utility Taxes	152,622	152,622	148,866
Collections on behalf of other Governments			
School District	-	3,371,244	3,229,222
Regional District	-	415,095	385,457
Regional Hospital District	-	495,188	482,931
Municipal Finance Authority	-	424	423
BC Assessment Authority	-	85,612	82,890
Okanagan Regional Library	-	253,061	243,541
Improvement Districts	-	554,036	537,800
	7,778,918	13,341,767	12,435,678
Collections on behalf of other Governments			
School District	-	(3,370,656)	(3,150,546)
Regional District	-	(415,095)	(379,249)
Regional Hospital District	-	(495,188)	(474,384)
Municipal Finance Authority	-	(427)	(416)
B.C. Assessment Authority	-	(85,612)	(81,552)
Okanagan Regional Library	-	(253,061)	(239,921)
Improvement Districts	-	(554,036)	(537,800)
	-	(5,174,075)	(4,863,868)
	\$ 7,778,918	\$ 8,167,693	\$ 7,571,810



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13. Parcel Taxes

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
Stepping Stones	207,001	171,274	163,982
Pleasant Valley	33,242	41,922	35,742
Hankey	11,709	10,379	10,760
Highland Park	35,317	46,722	31,253
Larkin	177,442	209,139	182,611
Eagle Rock	189,109	370,476	189,109
Stardel	9,075	12,196	9,197
Lansdowne	91,534	116,034	81,891
Round Prairie	13,473	13,196	12,525
Silver Star	178,666	205,035	161,244
	<u>\$ 946,568</u>	<u>\$ 1,199,373</u>	<u>\$ 877,314</u>

14. Government Transfers

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
Federal	\$ 657,045	641,832	2,347,111
Provincial	1,806,146	958,818	982,661
Regional and Other	326,129	305,060	305,060
	<u>\$ 2,729,320</u>	<u>\$ 1,903,510</u>	<u>\$ 3,634,832</u>

15. Sale of Services

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
Administrative	\$ 331,794	\$ 196,147	\$ 111,726
Animal Control	655	698	702
Building Permits	157,662	185,927	195,431
Business Licenses	39,750	28,850	29,730
Protective Services	-	7,633	650
Public Works	-	32,976	55,744
Water User Fees	97,157	1,198	609,598
Zoning and Development	11,037	-	-
	<u>\$ 638,055</u>	<u>\$ 453,435</u>	<u>\$ 1,003,582</u>



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16. Expenses by Object

	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
Amortization	\$ 2,024,346	\$ 1,937,952
Contracted Services	3,226,008	3,850,836
Insurance	68,174	142,632
Interest and Bank Charges	14,957	(289,495)
Materials and Supplies	2,066,271	1,927,391
Other	312,139	514,870
Professional Fees	261,651	280,614
Salaries and Benefits	2,079,153	1,853,487
Travel and Conferences	70,238	59,829
	<u>\$ 10,122,937</u>	<u>\$ 10,278,116</u>

17. Financial Plan

The Financial Plan anticipated use of surpluses accumulated in previous years to balance against current year expenditures in excess of current year revenue. The following shows how these amounts were combined:

	2025
Add Back:	
Capital Expenditures	\$ 5,530,387
Debt Principal Payment	21,217
Debt	-
Debt Proceeds	-
Budgeted Transfers from Accumulated Surplus	(417,279)
Adjusted Annual Surplus	<u>\$ 5,134,325</u>



**Township of Spallumcheen**  
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For the year ended December 31, 2025

**18. Segment Disclosures**

The Township of Spallumcheen is a local government that provides a range of services to its citizens. For management reporting purposes, the Township's operations are reported in the following departments:

General Government Services

This department includes legislative, administration, and finance functions. Legislative sets bylaws and policies for the governance of the Township in accordance with the Community Charter. Administration coordinates the operation of the Township in accordance with policies set by Council, and is responsible for human resources, organizational changes, strategic planning, Information Systems, GIS and records management. Finance provides financial reporting, investment of excess funds, advice and guidance to Council and Administration, financial planning and budgeting, fee collection, and payroll administration.

Protective Services

This department includes bylaw enforcement, emergency planning, fire protection and animal control. Bylaw Enforcement ensures that the Township's bylaws are enforced in accordance with Council policy. Emergency Planning ensures that disaster plans are in place for the safety of the Township's residents. The Fire Department provides fire suppression service, fire prevention programs, and training and education. Animal Control provides dog licences and controls the animal population.

Transportation Services

This department delivers municipal Public Works services related to the planning, development and maintenance of roads and street lighting.

Environmental Health Services

This department provides recycling services and West Nile Virus surveillance.

Public Health and Welfare Services

This department provides cemetery services.

Community Development Services

This department provides town planning, community development, and parks and riverbank planning, ensures an acceptable quality of building construction and maintenance of properties through enforcement of construction codes, building standards and bylaws for the protection of occupants, and facilitates economic development by providing approval of all land development plans, application and enforcement of zoning bylaws, and processing of building permit applications.

Recreational and Cultural Services

This department provides parks maintenance, recreation programs, and cultural programs.

Joint Functions

This department provide parks and recreation, fire, and cemetery services shared with the City of Armstrong.

Water Supply

This department provides water to specified areas in the Township.

The accounting policies used for these segments are consistent with those followed in preparation of the financial statements as disclosed in Note . For additional information see Schedule 19 Segment Disclosures.



**Township of Spallumcheen**  
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**19. Trust Funds**

The Township has excluded the following trust funds and associated cash from the Statement of Financial Position and related interest earnings and transaction from the Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus:

a) **Cemetery Trust Fund**

The Township operates and maintains the Armstrong Spallumcheen Cemetery. As required under Provincial legislation, a portion of the plot sales and marker installation fees must be retained for the future maintenance of the cemetery.

	2025	2024
Balance, beginning of year	240,141	215,912
Interest income	13,222	16,545
Grant fund contributions	5,072	7,684
Balance, end of year	<u>258,435</u>	<u>240,141</u>

**20. Liability for Contaminated Site**

As part of the amalgamation of the Eagle Rock Waterworks District that occurred on January 1, 2023, the Township took on a liability for contaminated site. During 2022, the Waterworks District identified a contamination in one of its wells. Under the Drinking Water Protection Act and Regulations, the Interior Health Authority has directed the District that the well cannot be used for the supply of drinking water until the contamination is remediated. The estimated cost of the remediation of the well is \$75,000. There is a risk that the actual cost of remediation could exceed this estimate. The District has not yet confirmed the source of the contamination and therefore is uncertain whether a portion of this liability may be mitigated by a claim against a third party. No potential recovery has been recorded to offset the liability.



Township of Spallumcheen  
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**21. Joint Functions**

The Township participates in the following shared services with the City of Armstrong:

Fire Protection

58.66% of operating revenues and expenses (the rate is calculated from the proportion of taxable property assessments on improvements only), and 60% of all capital costs.

Cemetery

50% of operating revenues, expenses and capital costs.

Parks & Recreation

49.92% of operating revenues and expenses (rate is calculated from the proportion of population based on the most recent Federal census) and 50% of all capital costs.

The Township's proportionate share of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities are recognized as follows in the financial statements:

	Fire Protection	Cemetery	Parks & Recreation
<b>2025</b>			
Revenue	\$ 45,000	\$ 91,486	\$ 833,534
Expense	1,070,629	114,714	2,991,651
Due to/from City of Armstrong	9,638	(16,043)	-
Due to/from Parks & Recreation Commission	-	-	1,495
Tangible Capital Assets	2,262,766	129,472	4,471,880
<b>2024</b>			
Revenue	\$ 55,572	\$ 52,866	\$ 409,720
Expense	561,573	62,276	1,041,565
Due to/from City of Armstrong	(45,708)	(27,618)	-
Due to/from Parks & Recreation Commission	-	-	15,766
Amortization expense	-	-	-
Tangible Capital Assets	2,204,469	130,036	4,527,293



Township of Spallumcheen  
Notes to Financial Statements  
For the year ended December 31, 2025

**22. Financial Instruments**

Financial Instrument Risk Management

The Township is exposed to credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk from its financial instruments. This note describes the Township's objectives, policies, and processes for managing those risks and the methods used to measure them. Further qualitative and quantitative information in respect of these risks is presented below and throughout these financial statements. There have not been any changes from the prior year in the Township's exposure to above risks or the policies, procedures and methods it uses to manage and measure the risks.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Township is exposed to credit risk through its cash, accounts receivable, and portfolio investments.

The Township manages its credit risk with respect to cash and portfolio investments by maintaining its investments with reputable financial institutions. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the financial statement date is the carrying value of its cash and accounts receivable as outlined in Note 3. Accounts receivable arise primarily as a result of utilities, and grants receivable. Based on this knowledge, credit risk of cash and accounts receivable are assessed as low.

The Municipality manages exposure to credit risk for portfolio investments by ensuring adequate diversification and by maintaining its investments in the Ministry of Finance Authority which meets the investment requirements of Section 183 of the Community Charter of the Province of BC. As a result, the Municipality has reduced exposure to market or value risk. The maximum exposure to credit risk on portfolio investments is outlined in Note 4.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Township will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Township is exposed to liquidity risk through its accounts payable, and long-term debt.

The Township manages this risk by the ability to increase tax rates per bylaw in order to increase cash. Also to help manage the risk, the Municipality has in place a planning, budgeting and forecasting process to help determine the funds required to support the normal operating requirements. The Township's five-year financial plan is approved by the Mayor and Council, which includes operational activities and capital investments. The Township measures its exposure to liquidity risk based on extensive budgeting.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Township is exposed to interest rate risk through its long-term debt and the value of portfolio investments.

The Township manages interest rate risk on its long-term debt by holding all debt through MFA at a fixed rate, with refinancing typically being completed at the ten or fifteen year mark following the date of the original debt issuance. See Note 8 for interest rates and maturity dates for long-term debt.



**Township of Spallumcheen**  
**Schedule 1 - Segment Disclosures - Current Year**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2025**

	General Government	Protective Services	Transportation Services	Community Development	Sewer Services	Joint Functions	Other Services*	Water Supply	2025 Total
<b>Revenues</b>									
Taxation	\$ 8,167,693	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,167,693
Parcel Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,196,373	1,196,373
Government Transfers	1,518,796	24,551	-	-	197,047	-	119,489	43,638	1,903,521
Sale of Services	224,997	8,336	32,976	185,927	-	-	-	1,200	453,436
Portfolio Investments	508,445	-	-	-	-	-	90,657	43,758	642,860
Other Revenue	138,124	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	138,124
	10,558,055	32,887	32,976	185,927	197,047	-	210,146	1,284,969	12,502,007
<b>Expenses</b>									
Amortization	25,146	-	1,537,786	-	-	226,639	-	204,775	2,024,346
Contracted Services	35,310	911,604	266,811	181,867	251,452	1,000,685	11,483	236,796	3,226,008
Insurance	31,633	68	36,473	-	-	-	-	-	68,174
Interest and Bank Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,957	-	14,957
Materials and Supplies	37,765	262	1,622,421	11,785	-	-	7,574	386,460	2,066,267
Other	137,863	58,451	43,083	27,301	-	-	207	45,294	312,139
Professional Fees	234,074	-	9,098	17,818	-	-	-	661	261,651
Salaries and Benefits	1,365,076	151,772	308,279	133,801	-	-	2,635	117,590	2,079,153
Travel and Conferences	56,514	-	3,012	9,209	-	-	-	1,503	70,238
	1,923,321	1,122,157	3,856,965	331,781	251,452	1,557,324	36,856	993,079	10,122,936
	\$ 8,634,734	\$ (1,089,270)	\$ (3,823,987)	\$ (195,854)	\$ (54,405)	\$ (1,557,324)	\$ 173,290	\$ 291,890	\$ 2,379,071

\*Environmental Health Services, Public Health & Welfare Services, Recreational and Cultural Services, Fiscal Services



**Township of Spallumcheen**  
**Schedule 1 - Segment Disclosures - Prior Year**

For the year ended December 30, 2024

	General Government	Protective Services	Transportation Services	Community Development	Sewer	Joint Functions	Other Services*	Water Supply	2024 Total
<b>Revenues</b>									
Taxation	\$ 7,571,810	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,571,810
Parcel Taxes	2,712,898	-	-	-	-	-	-	268,715	2,981,613
Government Transfers	-	29,500	-	-	583,691	-	273,419	35,324	921,934
Sale of Services	141,455	1,352	55,744	195,431	-	-	-	609,599	1,003,581
Portfolio Investments	851,121	-	-	-	-	-	362,897	74,107	1,288,125
Other Revenue	149,385	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,385
	<b>11,426,669</b>	<b>30,852</b>	<b>55,744</b>	<b>195,431</b>	<b>583,691</b>	<b>636,316</b>	<b>636,316</b>	<b>987,745</b>	<b>13,916,448</b>
<b>Expenses</b>									
Amortization	20,488	-	1,541,432	-	-	199,243	-	176,838	1,937,952
Contracted Services	53,906	771,481	245,994	67,754	800,102	1,213,283	12,907	685,409	3,850,836
Insurance	112,813	200	29,619	-	-	-	-	-	142,632
Interest and Bank Charges	(309,584)	-	-	-	-	-	20,089	-	(289,495)
Materials and Supplies	23,539	2,547	1,569,162	15,321	-	-	4,131	312,669	1,927,389
Other	239,087	114,651	34,995	64,462	-	-	163	41,511	514,870
Professional Fees	253,739	-	16,117	10,758	-	-	-	-	280,614
Salaries and Benefits	1,223,626	48,068	290,292	163,704	-	-	1,360	126,437	1,853,487
Travel and Conferences	56,106	-	1,520	759	-	-	-	1,444	59,829
	<b>1,673,671</b>	<b>936,947</b>	<b>3,729,152</b>	<b>342,758</b>	<b>800,102</b>	<b>1,412,526</b>	<b>38,650</b>	<b>1,344,308</b>	<b>10,278,114</b>
	<b>\$ 9,752,998</b>	<b>\$ (906,095)</b>	<b>\$ (3,673,408)</b>	<b>\$ (147,327)</b>	<b>\$ (216,411)</b>	<b>\$ (1,412,526)</b>	<b>\$ 597,666</b>	<b>\$ (356,563)</b>	<b>\$ 3,638,334</b>

\*Environmental Health Services, Public Health & Welfare Services, Recreational and Cultural Services, Fiscal Services



**The Township of Spallumcheen Council and Staff  
Thank You for Reviewing the 2025 Annual Report.**

Any questions please contact the  
Township of Spallumcheen Municipal Office at 250-546-3013 or  
[mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca](mailto:mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca)

*\*THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS TO MAKE OUR ANNUAL REPORT GREAT\**



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Regular Meeting of Council - 15 Jun 2026 Item 10.(a)(i)

May 21, 1026

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Request for additional signage on McLeod and Heighton Roads

Problem – Motor vehicles travelling at excessive rates of speed when accessing and leaving McLeod Subdivision via McLeod or Heighton Roads – putting Pedestrians, Children, Pets, Livestock, Cyclists, etc. and themselves at risk

There are 3 ways of accessing the Subdivision

1. From the Highway turn onto McLeod Road – which turns into Lockhart Drive @ the T intersection. There is a “50 Maximum” speed sign at the bottom of the road and a “30 Maximum” speed sign on Lockhart before the park
2. From the Highway turn onto McLeod Road – stay on McLeod @ the T intersection and proceed to Upper McLeod – there are no Speed signs until the turn onto Upper McLeod “50 Maximum”
3. From the Highway turn onto Mountain View – there is a “60 Maximum” speed sign @ the bottom of the Road – Turn onto Heighton and Proceed to McLeod Road – there are no Speed Signs on Heighton or McLeod

Solution – Place speed signs on “McLeod” at the T Intersection and east end of the Road and on both sides of Heighton where it T’s into McLeod; Place speed signs on Heighton at both ends of the road – Making it clear to all drivers there is a “Maximum Speed” on all roads in this area

Thank you

McLeod Road Residents

David Hall  
 Naim von Hahn agricultural center  
 Jason Stewart, Miranda Broozylas  
 Kristin Andrews - Agricultural tenant  
 consider citizens  
 Nancy McGeogon (Heighton Road)  
 Trevor Douglas  
 Jesse Holt  
 McLeod Rd

Heighton Road Residents

Dallas and Sarah Jane  
 Vic John  
 Karen Nahr McLeod Rd.  
 Kelly NICKOLL McLeod Rd.  
 Katy  
 FRANK SKOCZYLAS McLEOD RD  
 ANDREW LAIRD McLEOD RD.  
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From: JUN 04 2026 Colette and Allan Starheim <castarheim@gmail.com>  
 Sent: June 4, 2026 11:06 AM  
 To: SPALLUMCHEEN Staff; Andy Affleck; david.sewell@rdno.ca; corp@rdno.ca; chief@asfd.ca; Doug Allin; Cindy Webb  
 Subject: Goose Lake Access Corridor, OKIB Access Gate Removal, Speed Bumps, Security Gate, & Impact Studies

Dear Township Council Members and RDNO:

I am writing to express serious concerns following my review of the May 19 Township Council meeting minutes and the June 1 report regarding Goose Lake access gates for OKIB properties. In addition I have concerns about the speed bumps installed yesterday.

Regarding the May 19 meeting minutes, it appears a potential reason the security gate promised by the RDNO was not installed is due to concerns about cutting off property access. However, a code-operated gate would easily remedy this by providing access to authorized property owners while restoring neighborhood security during park closure hours. Alternatively, providing keys to the property owners in question would also correct this issue. **Why have one of these solutions not been implemented to uphold the RDNO's initial commitment?**

The issue of access is further complicated by the Township's June 1 report requesting a decision regarding "Goose Lake Access Gates - OKIB Properties". It has come to my attention that the RDNO installed OKIB / CP access gates without the jurisdiction to do so. My understanding is that the RDNO holds a License of Occupation but lacks the authority to grant additional access points. Furthermore, these properties already have established access via Hawthola Road and Goose Lake Road. I would like to clarify that I am not arguing whether OKIB should have access to their lands, as they already have alternative access. It is unclear what legal right the Township and the RDNO has to support additional access through the Stepping Stones neighborhood. Further, it is my understanding that due to the disparity between OKIB and Township bylaws, issues with all-hours noise and improper sewage disposal on adjacent OKIB lands occurred in 2025. The additional access points along the corridor were supposed to be removed by August 2026. Maintaining these unnecessary access points exposes Stepping Stones residents to long-term disruptions and safety hazards and **I am greatly concerned by the June 1 report which appears to backtrack on the firm decision to remove the access points.**

The Stepping Stones community has seen a significant increase in traffic, dust, noise, and speeding since the opening of Goose Lake Range Park. Despite this, the Township has admitted that no traffic or safety studies were conducted. I have yet to hear back from the RDNO regarding any independent and comprehensive studies they might have commissioned. With a recent OKIB planning report citing this corridor as potential access for future commercial developments, the risks to our rural community—including fire safety and emergency vehicle access—are heightened. It is also necessary to point out that the access gates provided to the OKIB properties along the corridor have meant that parking along the corridor has become a reoccurring issue. As I have noted in previous emails, the

corridor itself is narrow and parking along the sides makes access for emergency vehicles an additional safety concern.

**While speed bumps were installed along the corridor on June 3, I am concerned the disappointingly low height of these will be insufficient to significantly slow most traffic. Since re-opening this morning, I have seen many vehicles travel over the speed bumps without even slowing down.** The installed speed bumps aren't truly speed bumps at all, rather a gradual and barely noticeable slopes. Without removing the additional access gates for OKIB / CP land, and allowing for large semi truck and trailer access along the corridor (which has regularly happened in the past several weeks to commercially transport cattle), these ineffectual speed bumps are likely to be damaged and worn down so the additional material isn't even present for long. This is yet another reason the additional access gates need to be removed by August 2026 as planned.

The Stepping Stones community and residents have a right to the peaceful enjoyment of their properties. This has been severely compromised by the increased activity along the back corridor. Residents like myself and my neighbours require that care and planning for public safety, fire safety, traffic safety, and environmental safety are all made through consultation of appropriate independently conducted studies. They further require clear documentation showing the legal authority of the Township to grant access through the neighbourhood corridor.

**I respectfully request the following:**

- 1. Extra OKIB Access Gate Removal:** That the additional gates to OKIB lands be removed by the original target date of August 2026.
- 2. Security Gate:** That the RDNO-promised security gate be immediately reconsidered and installed to ensure resident, neighbourhood, and park safety during park closure hours.
- 3. Legal Clarification:** Provision of legal confirmation regarding the rights to grant public use of this access corridor for both park access and OKIB / CP access. It is currently being treated as a public road, but by the Township's own admission has not been opened as a public road.
- 4. Comprehensive Impact Study:** A formal study addressing safety, emergency and fire access, neighbourhood fire safety, traffic, and neighborhood impacts resulting from public park access, OKIB land access, and potential commercial development on OKIB lands.
- 5. Speed Bump Re-Installation:** The ineffectual speed bumps need to be reinstalled to be more substantial speed deterrents. The low profile gentle slope design currently installed is **useless**.
- 6. Speed Bump & Corridor Maintenance Funding:** Clarification on where the funding for speed bump installation and corridor maintenance (eg. dust reduction) has come from? It was my understanding that under the License of Occupation, the RDNO was responsible for maintenance of the access corridor, but it has appeared that the Township of Spallumcheen has been responsible for both the dust reduction measures and the speed bump installation.

I require a response regarding these urgent matters.

Sincerely,

Colette Starheim,  
Resident of Stepping Stones Neighbourhood

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**From:** Cindy Webb  
**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2026 8:13 AM  
**To:** Dawn Brule; Staff  
**Subject:** FW: June 2026 Water Board Report Highlights

Weekly sum & Regular Council Meeting (RCM) June 15.26 please.

**From:** Okanagan Basin Water Board <communications-obwb.ca@shared1.ccsend.com>  
**Sent:** June 5, 2026 7:35 AM  
**To:** Cindy Webb <cindy.webb@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** June 2026 Water Board Report Highlights



**Okanagan Basin**  
WATER BOARD



**June Water Board Report**

Highlights from the June 2, 2026 meeting of the Okanagan Basin Water Board, held at the offices of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen.

## A Little Rain, But Not Enough: Okanagan In Drought

While recent rainfall has provided some short-term relief, OBWB's latest hydrology update confirms that drought concerns remain across the Okanagan.

Long-term precipitation deficits, record-early snowpack melt, and below-average stream flows mean water supplies are still under pressure heading into summer.

Ongoing water conservation will be essential to protect communities, agriculture, and aquatic ecosystems as dry conditions continue to shape the season.

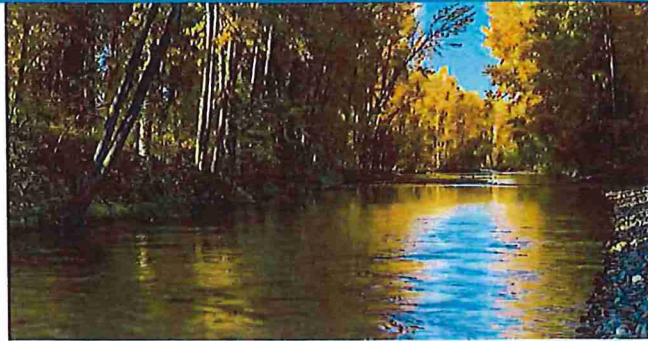


Every Okanagan water supplier has a unique situation and differing triggers for water restrictions, and the importance of citizens looking to their own water supplier for the most current information was a subject of discussion at the meeting.

Read: May 28 Drought Bulletin

**Presentation Highlights Vital Connection Between Groundwater and Stream Health**

Board Directors received a technical presentation from Chani Welch, hydrogeologist with the Okanagan Nation Alliance on the critical connection between Mission Creek, groundwater, and long-term water sustainability.



The presentation emphasized the vital, but hidden role groundwater plays in the Okanagan Basin in maintaining streamflow, supporting fish habitat, and sustaining water supply, especially during extended dry periods. Research and monitoring underway, in partnership with OBWB, is helping build a more complete understanding of these interconnected systems to inform future water management decisions in a changing climate.

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### **We've Got a Winner (or two) — But You'll Have to Wait for the Big Reveal**



After hundreds of creative submissions from across the region, OBWB Directors have officially selected the winning name for the Water Board's newest invasive milfoil harvester — but the public will have to wait just a little longer to hear it.

The name will be unveiled at a special public launch event this summer, where residents and media are invited to join in the celebration and see the harvester at work. The contest drew strong community participation, highlighting the Okanagan's shared investment in protecting local lakes and shorelines from invasive milfoil. The winning entrants will be contacted ahead of the event, where the harvester's name will be revealed and the winners will get a ride on the new harvester



### **Milfoil Harvesting Planned for Duck Lake Thanks to New Amphibious Equipment**

For the first time in decades, OBWB's milfoil control program will operate in Duck Lake, made possible by the addition of the new amphibious harvester that was added to the Invasive Milfoil Control fleet in 2025 that can access areas previously out of reach.

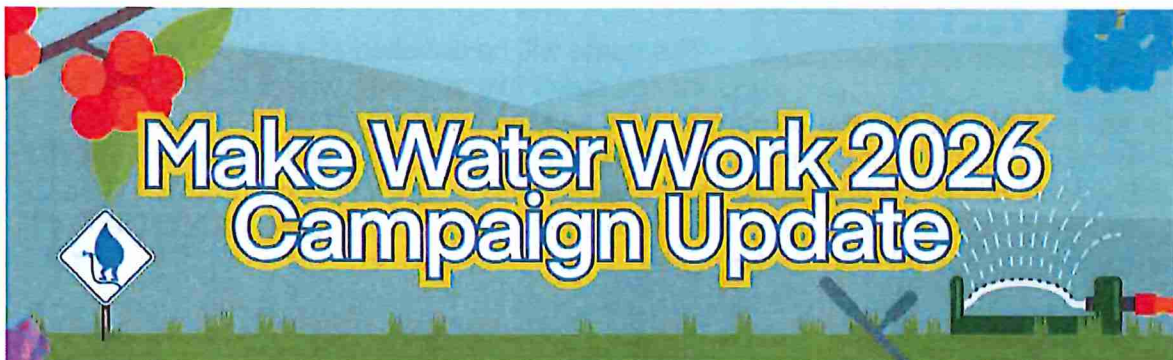
The work will be especially timely with the BC Summer Games set to take place in the community, including the Towed Water Sports event which will see 48 competing athletes using Duck Lake.

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### **OBWB Receives Clean Audit, Approves 2025 Financial Statements**

The Board received and approved its annual audited financial statements for fiscal year 2025, with the external auditor issuing a clean opinion and confirming no significant deficiencies. The results reflect OBWB's continued commitment to transparent financial management in delivering programs and services across the Okanagan.

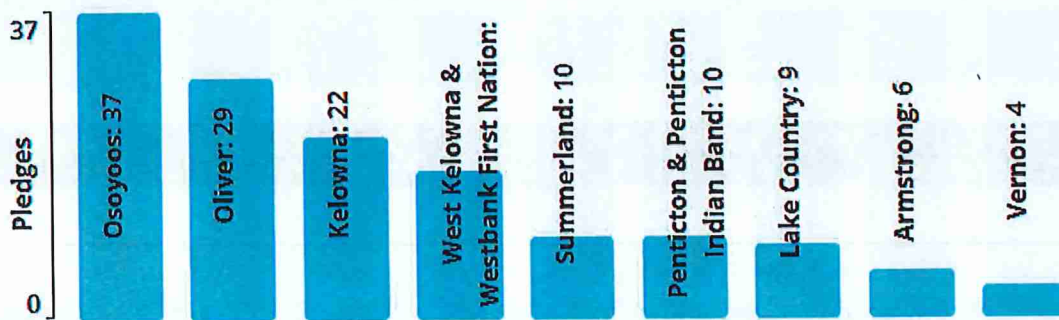
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At the June Board Meeting, Osoyoos Mayor and OBWB Director Sue McKortoff challenged fellow Directors — and their communities — to step up and Take the Pledge in the Make Water Work campaign.

As the **2025 Champion Community**, the Town of Osoyoos is once again leading the way early in the 2026 season. With the campaign now live through October, residents across the Okanagan are encouraged to join in, show their community pride, and help conserve water during another critical summer. With the season just getting underway, there's plenty of time for communities across the Okanagan to rise in the rankings and show their Water Smart community pride.

### NUMBER OF PLEDGES BY REGION



The 2026 Make Water Work pledge statistics as of June 4, 2026.

### Indigenous Youth Art Contest

## Environmental Flows Conference Logo Design Contest Open Now!

💧 This contest invites Indigenous youth artists ages 14 - 30 from the Okanagan and broader Syilx territory, to offer a visual expression of what it means for siwłk to move freely, and what is lost when it cannot.

📅 Now open

📅 Contest closes July 9, 2026

🕒 Prize: \$500 plus two expert artist coaching sessions with Evelyn Alec, Syilx artist, and 100% of the profits made from the sale of prints at the conference.

## ENVIRONMENTAL FLOWS LOGO DESIGN CONTEST

Calling all Indigenous youth ages 14-30 residing in the Syilx Okanagan territory

The Okanagan Basin Water Board, Canadian Water Resources Association, and Okanagan Nation Alliance are hosting the EF 2026: siwłk WATER FOR ALL Conference and are looking for a new logo to use for this year's event. This contest invites Indigenous youth artists ages 14-30, from the Okanagan and broader Syilx territory, to offer a visual expression of what it means for siwłk to move freely, and what is lost when it cannot.

### Prize:

- \$500
- Two professional artist coaching sessions with Lead Artistic Advisor and Indigenous artist - Evelyn Alec (@evalec79)
- 100% of the profits from prints of the logo sold at the conference

**DEADLINE: JULY 9TH**

More info can be found at:  
[www.ef2026.ca](http://www.ef2026.ca)



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## Upcoming Events

### Say Hi to OBWB at the LGMA in Penticton


💧 The OBWB will be hosting a booth at the upcoming Local Government Management Association Conference (LGMA)


📅 June 9 - 11, 2026


📍 Penticton - Trade and Convention Centre


📍 273 Power St.


### Flower Power - Kelowna Garden Tour

 A self-guided tour of eight stunning gardens across Kelowna and West Kelowna. Meet local artisans, gather expert gardening advice, and enjoy a day filled with creativity and inspiration.

 Saturday, June 20, 2026


 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

 Kelowna, West Kelowna

 8 stops on the tour

[Get Tickets or Learn More](#)

### New Date for the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the OBWB Water Management Program

 Celebrate 20 years of the Water Management Program


 Friday, Sept. 11, 2026


 Kelowna – Manteo at Elderado Resort


 3762 Lakeshore Rd.


 More information coming soon.

### Environmental Flows Conference 2026

 Co-hosted by the Okanagan Basin Water Board, the Okanagan Nation Alliance, and Canadian Water Resources Association. A national gathering for water science, policy, and practice.

 Wednesday, Oct. 7 – Friday, Oct. 9, 2026


 Kelowna – Coast Capri Hotel


 1171 Harvey Ave.

 Early bird registration now open.


[Register Now for Early Bird Rates for EF 2026](#)

### North American Lake Management Society (NALMS) Symposium

 Swimming Upstream: Tackling Environmental Challenges through Partnership, Innovation, & Science

 Nov. 2 - 6, 2026

 Kelowna

 Early bird registration now open.

[Learn More About NALMS Symposium](#)

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June 15, 2026 R&F

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Okanagan Basin Water Board Staff

Subject: Okanagan Starts Season at Drought Level 5: Check local restrictions and conserve water now
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2026 Drought Bulletin

May 28, 2026 | Issue 2

Okanagan Starts Season at Highest Drought Level: Check local restrictions and conserve water now

Despite some welcome rainfall in May, the Okanagan continues to face serious drought conditions. Years of below-normal precipitation and low snowpack — which melted earlier than ever recorded in many areas — have led the Province to set the first regional drought level of the season at Level 5, the highest possible rating.

With snowpack gone earlier than usual, streams across the valley have already seen their spring freshets finish. In most cases, these peak flows occurred earlier than normal and at lower-than-average levels.

Looking ahead

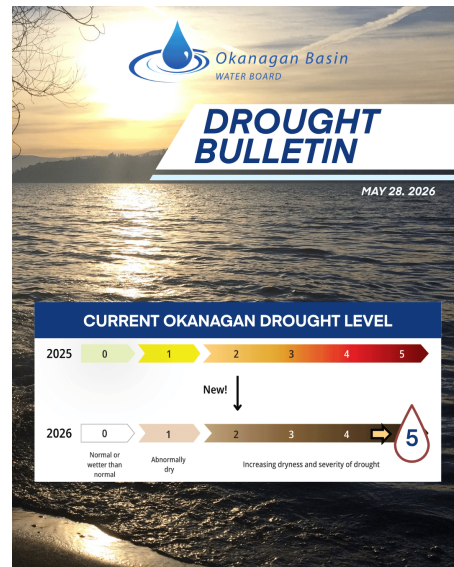
There is a chance parts of south eastern B.C. will see some rainfall in the coming days. While any rain is welcome, most sites in the Okanagan have received, at best, only half their typical rainfall through the end of May. A significant and sustained period of wet weather would be needed to improve conditions this season, and even more to make up for several years of accumulated drought.

Given the projected warm summer ahead, it is essential that communities manage water carefully to balance the needs of ecosystems, farms, fish, firefighting, and drinking water supplies.

What this means for your water

Water conditions will vary between communities depending on their water source. Several communities have already introduced watering restrictions. Given the ongoing multi-year drought and projected warm summer conditions, it is critical to look at watering restrictions and conditions information provided by your local provider. Please see the list below, or a full list is available at MakeWaterWork.ca

Snowpack critically low



Snowpack, a major source of the valley's water supply, was consistently low across the Okanagan this winter.

- As of May 15, 2026, the average Okanagan snowpack was 16% of normal.
- Key monitoring sites such as Brenda Mines and Silver Star Mountain are already snow-free, and for both, this is the earliest on record. The previous earliest recorded snow free date was June 8 at Silver Star, and the new record is now May 24. Brenda Mines was snow-free on April 10 this spring, matching the previous 2024 record of April 10.

**Spring precipitation far below normal**

- May saw several key precipitation events, notably in the second week of May. However, despite this rain, Vernon, Kelowna and Penticton remain well below normal, and the long-term precipitation deficits remain. This long-term precipitation deficit is important as by the end of May about 40% of precipitation typically arrives in the Okanagan.
- As of May 25, 2026, Vernon is only at 56% of expected precipitation, Kelowna is at 47%, and Penticton is at 21%.



Figure 1: Illustrative percentage of rain received in Penticton from Jan. 1, 2026 to April 30, 2026 vs. May 1-25, 2026 vs. the missing amount of the 1991-2020 historical average expected by May 25 each year. Data from Environment and Climate Change Canada.

**Summer streamflow risk remains high**

- Streams across the valley have passed through their high-flow freshet phase and are likely beginning the lower flow summer phase. As of May 25, 2026, many creeks are already flowing well below normal for this time of year, following very low peak flows during the freshet.
- Stream temperatures are already quite warm, which may impact fish and could lead to water quality concerns.

**Hotter, drier outlook increases drought risk**

- Seasonal outlooks indicate an increased likelihood of El Niño conditions developing this summer. This increases the probability of warmer-than-normal conditions, although precipitation forecasts are less certain. Given the low snowpack, early freshet, and existing precipitation deficits, the region should prepare for continued drought risk even if periodic rainfall occurs.
- Seasonal forecasts can be used to provide a sense of likely future conditions, but they should not be taken as 100% certain.

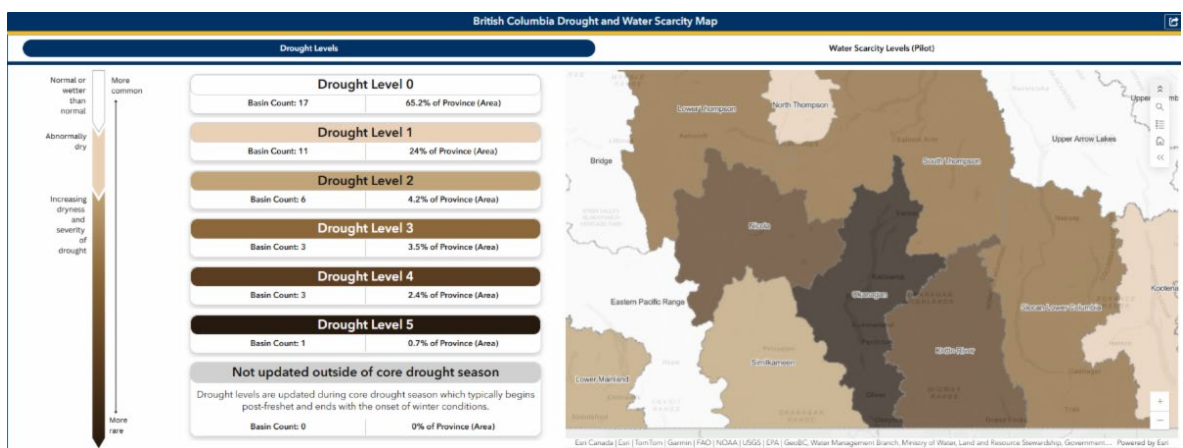
**What you need to know**

- Drought conditions vary widely across the valley.
- Local water restrictions, not provincial drought levels, are what residents must follow.
- Okanagan Lake levels are actively managed as part of the Okanagan Lake Regulation System, so lake level alone is not the best indicator of drought severity. In many areas, drought will be seen first through low streamflows, stressed tributary reservoirs, declining groundwater levels, dry soils, warmer stream temperatures, and reduced water availability for ecosystems and water users.
- Collective action and individual water conservation remain essential to protect fish, agriculture, firefighting capacity, and community water supplies.

*Note: Provincial drought levels are different from local water restrictions. To understand how the Province sets regional drought levels, [click here](#).*

**Regional Drought Outlook - The Okanagan is at a LEVEL 5**

The Province's drought level colour palette has been updated this year to emphasize its purpose as a source of statistical information, rather than an alert for action. The updated colour palette does not change the meaning of drought levels or how drought conditions are assessed.



**READ MORE**

**Local Conditions**

Your local conditions are what matters most. Most communities have watering

restrictions in place. Check out your community below to see what watering stage you are on, determined by your water service area's specific conditions.

If your community isn't listed below, you can find a full list of water providers in the Okanagan at [MakeWaterWork.ca](https://www.makewaterwork.ca).

Location	Current watering restrictions	Learn more
<b>Greater Vernon Area</b>	<b>Stage 2</b> — Up to two days a week as per your address, automated sprinklers only between midnight and 6 a.m.on permitted days.	<a href="#">Visit the Greater Vernon Water Restrictions page here.</a>
<b>Kelowna</b>	<b>Stage 1</b> — Up to three days a week as per your address, no watering on Mondays, automated sprinklers only between midnight and 6 a.m. on permitted days.	<a href="#">Visit the City of Kelowna Water Restrictions page here.</a>
<b>Lake Country</b>	<b>Modified Stage 2</b> — Automated and manual irrigation permitted twice per week based on address, automated sprinklers only between midnight and 6 a.m. on permitted days.	<a href="#">Visit the District of Lake Country's Water Conservation Page here.</a>
<b>West Kelowna</b>	<b>Stage 2</b> — Up to two days a week as per your address, automated sprinklers only between midnight and 6 a.m. on permitted days.	<a href="#">Visit the City of West Kelowna's Watering Regulations and Conservation Page here.</a>
<b>Peachland</b>	<b>Stage 3</b> — Even numbered addresses water Saturday, odd numbered addresses water Sunday, no watering between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.	<a href="#">Visit the District of Peachland's Conserving Water Page here.</a>
<b>Summerland</b>	<b>Stage 1</b> — Up to three days a week as per your address.	<a href="#">Visit the District of Summerland's Water Restrictions page here.</a>
<b>Penticton</b>	<b>Stage 2</b> — Up to two days a week as per your address, automated sprinklers only between midnight and 6 a.m. on permitted days.	<a href="#">Visit the City of Penticton's Water Restrictions page here.</a>
<b>Osoyoos</b>	<b>Stage 2</b> — Up to two days a week as per your address, automated sprinklers only between midnight and 4 a.m. on permitted days.	<a href="#">Visit the City of Osoyoos Water Restrictions page here.</a>

RDNO	<b>Varied stages</b> depending on the Water Utility, please visit the link to learn more.	<a href="#">Visit the RDNO's Water Restrictions page here.</a>
RDCO	<b>Stage 1</b> — Even numbered addresses on even calendar days, odd numbered addresses on odd calendar days.	<a href="#">Visit the RDCO's Water Systems Page here.</a>
RDOS	<b>Varied stages</b> depending on the Water Utility, please visit the link to learn more.	<a href="#">Visit the RDOS' Water Restrictions page here.</a>



Figure 2: Illustrative percentage of rain received in Kelowna from Jan. 1, 2026 to April 30, 2026 vs. May 1-25, 2026 vs. the missing amount of the 1991-2020 historical average expected by May 25 each year. Data from Environment and Climate Change Canada.

# Let's sip coffee and talk rain



For illustrative purposes, if Vernon typically gets a Grande sized coffee worth of rain between Jan. 1 and May 25 each year, this year it has only received...



Figure 3: Illustrative percentage of rain received in Vernon from Jan. 1, 2026 to April 30, 2026 vs. May 1-25, 2026 vs. the missing amount of the 1991-2020 historical average expected by May 25 each year. Data from Environment and Climate Change Canada.



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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

BYLAW NO. 2193, 2026

**A Bylaw to amend “Township of Spallumcheen Zoning Bylaw No. 1700, 2008” and amendments thereto.**

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WHEREAS pursuant to Section 479 (Zoning bylaws) of the Local Government Act, as amended, and Regulations passed pursuant thereto, the Council of the Township of Spallumcheen may, by Bylaw, divide the whole or part of the Township of Spallumcheen into zones, name each zone, establish boundaries for the zones and regulate uses within those zones.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Township of Spallumcheen, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. CITATION

1.1 This bylaw may be cited as the “Township of Spallumcheen Zoning Text Amendment Bylaw 2193, 2026.”

2. INTERPRETATION

2.1 The Township of Spallumcheen Zoning Bylaw No. 1700, 2008 is amended by:

1) DELETING from Schedule D, Section 1301.2.h in its entirety.

3. SEVERABILITY

3.1 If any provision contained in the bylaw is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein shall not be, in any way, affected or impaired thereby to the extent that the purpose of the bylaw may be fulfilled in the absence of the impugned provision or provisions of the bylaw.\

**Notice of Public Hearing not held** in accordance with Section 467 of the *Local Government Act* and pursuant to the provisions of Section 94.2 of the Community Charter and Alternative Mean of Public Notice Bylaw 2118, 2023 posted on the on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026.

**Read a FIRST time** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.

**Read a SECOND time** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.

**Read a THIRD time** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.

**APPROVED** pursuant to Section 52(3)(a) of the *Transportation Act* this 1st day of June, 2026.



Development Services Officer, Ministry of Transportation and Transit

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_.

Certified Correct:

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Cindy Webb  
Corporate Officer

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Christine Fraser  
Mayor

THE TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

**POLICY: AGENDA – QUESTION PERIOD  
TEMPORARY SUSPENSION IN AN  
ELECTION YEAR**



Policy # 550.002

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WHEREAS the Township of Spallumcheen Council Procedure Bylaw 1677, 2007, as amended from time to time, for Regular Council meetings includes in Section 14(1)(k) the opportunity for questions from the public near the end of a Regularly scheduled meeting noted as "Question Period",

WHEREAS Council, as per resolution # 238/2014 passed at the Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 Regular Council meeting, has determined to suspend "Question Period" for six (6) months prior to any municipal election in any given year,

AND THAT during the six (6) month period staff be directed to include a notation in the Regular Agenda under "Question Period" noting the following:

*"Suspended for 6 months prior to municipal election – November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014",*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Spallumcheen Council suspend "Question Period" from the Regular Council Meeting Agendas for six (6) months prior to a municipal election.

Policy # 550.002

Certified Correct:

Date Adopted: June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Chief Administrative Officer