Music Festival rocks Nakusp for the third year in a row

by Jan McMurray

Who ever would have thought that the largest country music festival in the interior of BC would happen in Nakusp? This village of 2,000 has just pulled off hosting the third annual Nakusp Music Festival, featuring 19 bands and with production costs of $500,000.

It takes a whole village to put on an event of this magnitude, but special recognition must go to producer Willi Jahnke, his staff of four, the five board members of the Nakusp Rural Music Society, the 200 volunteers, and the multitude of sponsors and friends of the festival.

This year, the festival grew by about 50%, with between 5,000 and 6,000 people attending compared to last year’s 3,500.

There was an incredible increase in ticket sales this year,” said Willi Jahnke, the powerhouse behind the festival grounds. A crew of Katimavik Elementary School and at private campsites this year, located around everyone arrives at once. The festival is well run event,” Wlodarczak said, promising to for police this year. “It was again a Wlodarczak reported more incidents mistakes happen. Ours is a very healthy growth situation.”

For the third year in a row, Jahnke reported another virtually problem-free event for security. However, Nakusp RCMP Corporal Owidzczak reported more incidents for police this year. “It was again a well run event,” Wlodarczak said, “but with more people come more problems. All incidents were alcohol related – that comes with the territory,” he added, promising to have a lot of focus on hand next year.

He said that a brawl in the beer gardens on Friday night resulted in seven people being arrested, and that there were incidents of thefts and fights in the campsites around the festival grounds.

Creating enough camping and parking space is challenging but do-able, said Jahnke, especially because everyone arrives at once. The festival also attracts about 270 campers this year, located around the festival grounds, at Nakusp Elementary School and at private campgrounds. A crew of Katimavik volunteers looked after the sites. According to the buzz around the ground, about 50% of the people attending this year will return next year as Nakusp Music Fest are the great bands, the beautiful location, the fantastic weather, and the event’s family orientation.

But it’s not just the festival goes that love it. The bands also dish out the praise, says Jahnke. “All the bands, big and small, say that the way we treat them here is way above and beyond. And the road managers say it, too. The Nakusp Music Fest has a reputation in the business that is almost unique.”

As asked what band would be invited back next year by popular demand, Jahnke was sure it would be BC/DC. “They kicked ass. The crowd just went wild over those guys,” he said.

What will be done differently next year? Jahnke says that three of the four bands that performed Friday night played again on Saturday, and “in future, I will book more bands to avoid that kind of duplication again.”

High speed internet service to Silverton gets closer

by Jan McMurray

High speed wireless internet service for Silverton and area is very close, now that Telus has laid the fibre optic line to Red Mountain Road, where the Red Mountain Internet Society has set up its operations.

It is now up to Telus to connect the POP (point of presence) at their central office and for the society to make ‘last-mile’ wireless radio connections to local customers. The society still has to dig a 300’ line to its transmission tower from the distribution point just installed by Telus.

“Then all we have to do is sign people up and install radios on their properties,” said Larry Lavan of the society.

“This is terrific news,” said Silverton Mayor John Everett. “Lots of visitors travelling with their laptops move on from Silverton because there is no internet service.”

This summer, by October 1 at the latest, Lavan says people living in Silverton, on the lake in Rosslyn and on the north end of Red Mountain Road will be able to get the service. This is because they have lined of sight to the tower.

The plan is to bring the service to Hills, the rest of Rosshey, the south end of Red Mountain Road and the Enterprise Creek area next year, says Lavan. This will require installing towers in strategic places.

Thanks to a $20,000 grant from the Province, the society was able to pay for its tower and some radios needed to transmit to Silverton. The society has applied for a $20,000 grant from Columbia Basin Trust, of which approximately $13,000 is specifically for transmitting radios and additional towers.

“The society is hoping to get more grant money from Columbia Basin Trust so we can provide better service. Each radio is part of the infrastructure and each radio adds to the solidity of the system,” Lavan said.

He says the service will cost $40 per month for individuals and $70 per month for businesses. The client radio will cost customers $400 to $600 each, plus $200 installation, and customers will own the radios. A $400 radio is suitable for customers with a clear line of sight to the tower, while a $600 radio can penetrate through almost any foliage.

Lavan adds, “The good news is that if people are interested, everyone can be a wireless router and share with another household nearby, using a secure password.” He says the maximum distance for sharing is 80 to 100 feet away, and is like the Wi-Fi system in cafes and hotels. The society will allow this kind of sharing by router for up to three computers. Because this is a shared resource, each user has to be responsible for not overusing it or letting it be oversubscribed. And because it is a wireless exchange passwords are necessary.”

Lavan says about $600 for the fibre optic line for three years. This monthly rate is much lower than the market rate.

“We are rolling out a lot of fibre optic cabling,” said Shawn Hall from Telus. “It comes to almost $1 million per community, and these communities are typically remote and geographically challenging. It’s a quixotic project. And it’s exciting because high speed internet is an economic benefit as well as better access to education and health care services.”

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Our Way Home - a time for remembrance, reconciliation and renewal

by Judith Malt

Many voices rang out at the Our Way Home Remembrance and Peace Event at the Brilliant Cultural Centre and Selkirk College in Castlegar July 6-9. The intention was to honour the thousands of men and women whose lives were forever changed during the Vietnam war era and to provide the means for personal healing journeys. This intention was well met throughout the four days of speeches, workshop breakout sessions, panel discussions and various entertainment and opportunities for informal exchanges.

Hosted by the Doukhobor community, the event was envisioned and coordinated by Isaac Romano of Nelson Community, the event was envisioned and co-hosted by Judith Maltz.

Our Way Home - a time for remembrance, reconciliation and renewal by Judith Maltz

Bill Blair, Alax Ananenkov and many others expressed concerns about the current lack of independence of Canada's foreign policy involvements, the changing role of Canada's military in Afghanistan and the changes in Canada's immigration policies in regards to "war resisters." It was noted that Canada is the only country now respecting international law on asylum.

John J. Verigin, Honourary Chairman of the Union of Spiritual Communities of Christ, opened Saturday evening's concert by challenging the audience to "create a world where the power of love will replace the power of power."

The 37-member Doukhobor Mon's Tis' Choir selections included: forward, under the Poor Old Hawaiian's Lullaby, I'm Free, Life is More Joyful When We're Singing, Saturday's keynote speaker, former 1972 US Democratic presidential candidate, 83-year-old George McGovern, spoke with humility and honesty, "I'm sick and tired of old men dreaming up wars in which young men do the fighting," he said.

Ruby Truly, Judith Ceroli and Richard Roseberry presented an energetic musical version of Theatre Energy's popular Three Fingered Frank - chronicling their performance to Ronnie Gilbert whose much-anticipated appearance was cancelled due to illness.

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The event raised $1,000 for the Arrows Lakes Hospice Society and the annual Walk/Run for Fun around Summit Lake, held July 9.

Honoured guest attends 10th annual Summit Lake Run/Run For Fun. This year, Santos assumed to come every year to camp at Three Islands Resort all summer long. A seasoned fundraiser with a specialty in organizing "fun runs," Santos went to think that Summit Lake would be a great place to have such an event.

He got the owner of the resort, gathered prizes around Nakusp, and the annual Walk/Run for Fun was born.

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Harry Santos is the original organizer of the event, a fundraiser for Arrow Lakes Hospice Society.

Harry Santos poses with Irene Poznikoff at the 10th annual Summit Lake Run/Run For Fun. However, with rain in continuing to pour throughout Saturday, Santos had to cancel plans to keep the road closed until morning.

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How is the Toad population decline affecting the local ecosystem? Toads are a good indicator of an ecosystem's health. They are a primary terrestrial food source, and their decline is a sign of environmental stress. Amphibians are particularly sensitive to environmental changes, and their decline can indicate broader issues such as pollution, habitat loss, or climate change. The toad population decline is a cause for concern as it affects the balance of the local ecosystem.

What is the significance of the Rick Daykin Memorial Philanthropy Award? The Rick Daykin Memorial Philanthropy Award is presented to someone who has made significant contributions to the community. It is a way to honor the memory of Rick Daykin and recognize the impact of his work.

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Doggie litter along the trail

This past weekend I decided to take a walk along the north side of the trail, in Kaslo, down by the river — the one the Tsilhqot’in have spent hours and hours working on to turn it into a very pleasant walk for young and old. As I am also a volunteer for this group, I am also on the lookout for areas of concern.

I walked past the kiosk and since I have a small dog, I made sure I picked up one of the doggie bags from the dispenser on the pole. As I continued along the trail, my dog’s diaper filled and I noticed several doggie bags, full of dog waste, tossed down by the river. I retied these bags and found a waste receptacle at the depot in deposit it.

In this day and age, it is the owner’s responsibility to look after their dogs and doggie-do-to they have behind. If the Village of Kaslo can purchase the bags for citizens to use, I will do the right thing and make sure how about the rises at least doing their part and packing out their dog waste. Please be responsible and respect all your hard work and all the dollars that have been put into the land for the protection of our environment.

Lorna P. Burns
Appledale

Jumprock proposal criticized

At the June regional district meeting, Colleen McCrocy of the Kaslo and District Wilds Society proposed yet another park.

The West Kootenay Coalition for Jumprock Wild wants the RDCK to manage a new economic dead zone proposed for Glacier Creek. McCrocy’s track record is very impressive input into the creation of five economic dead zones.

The taxpayers should be aware this would local service at the expense. There would be needed for referendum to create a by-law to fund a new service created. With the administration and maintenance of roads, fire protection, etc., this is a very expensive proposition — especially considering the only revenue would be our tax dollars.

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Open Letter to Alex Atamanenko - EI benefits

This morning I applied for employment insurance benefits. After spending over an hour filling out an online application form all with its infinite yielded, and one power outage interrupting my efforts, I was left feeling rather even-keeled about my prospects. What I do know is that I have become unemployed and that government has somehow failed to provide me with benefits.

Please Alex, this is an issue that has been ignored too long. I trust you will bring this up in the next session of parliament.

Emily Youngren
Kaslo

Thanks for the criticism

I'd like to thank Harvey Armstrong for his “open letter to the KDCFS” because it gives me the opportunity to make a few points. Although I am currently a director of the KDCFS I am also a member and entitled as an option to answer as Harvey or anyone else.

In March 2003 the KDCFS became an open society, meaning any interested individuals could hold membership, stand for office and vote for directors on board. Important issues, and others were elected by the members on the basis we'd open the KDCFS in particular phono. Harvey's 2003 the KDCFS had only nine members. To be a director, you have to have 50 hours in the board – such that the KDCFS was closed to the community.

Harvey was invited to join the KDCFS in June of 2000. At some point shortly thereafter, he seems to have been considered some of the past minutes, which anyone can do, this is what I know.

July 25, 2001: “Harvey presented a report for the end of June. We still need to form a which will show monthly expenses compared to budget.”

April 14, March 18, February 16, No. 1: “Financial statements or a treasurer’s report in the minutes.

Jan 10, 2001: “Harvey presented an report covering the end of November.”

I'm certain Harvey did his best. Being on the board of the KDCFS is challenging. But I don’t see where gets off criticizing current financial reporting procedures as “not transparent.” We have a treasurer, bookkeeper and accountant. We get a financial statement and treasurer’s report every month, which anyone can get a copy of, and we will soon begin posting the statements on the web.

I could go on about Harvey’s other specious points but I’ll make a couple points of my own.

If Harvey wants to run for the board he should fly at ‘er. If he can stand up and tell the public what he wants to do and how he plans to get done, and get elected, I’ll support him.

I march the KDCFS asked the 2006 Grad Class to conduct telephone poll. The government

427 area residents and asked them 5 questions. One of the questions was: Do you think the community’s current unemployment license...
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BYLAW NO. 604, 2006 AND BYLAW NO. 605, 2006
VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER COUNCIL CHAMBERS
115 SLOCAN AVENUE, NEW DENVER, BC
6:00 PM, TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

Pursuant to Sections 860 and 862 of the Local Government Act, a public hearing will be held to consider the following bylaws of the Village of New Denver: “Village of New Denver Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 604, 2006” and “Village of New Denver Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 605, 2006.”

The purpose of Bylaw 604 is to amend the land use zoning for the following lands:

1. Amend Schedule B of Bylaw No. 525, 1999 by rezoning the following lands:
   - Lot 10, Block 5, Plan 9501, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District
   - Lot 9, Block 5, Plan 9501, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District
   - Lot 11, Block 5, Plan 9501, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District
   - Lot 12, Block 5, Plan 9501, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District

The purpose of Bylaw 605 is to amend the land use code for the following lands:

2. Amend Schedule B of Bylaw No. 414, 1993 by amending the land use code for the following lands from R1 (Residential 1) to C4 (Residential Commercial):
   - Lot 1, Plan NEP21949, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District
   - Lot 9, Block 5, Plan 9501, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District
   - Lot 10, Block 5, Plan 9501, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District
   - Lot 11, Block 5, Plan 9501, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District
   - Lot 12, Block 5, Plan 9501, District Lot 432, Kootenay Land District

These parcels are shown outlined in black on the accompanying map.

By Leah Main

Two readings were given to both bylaws which would allow the Oldham’s Lakeridge Cottages to operate. A public hearing will be held at 6:00 PM Wednesday, July 11, immediately prior to the next council meeting. Depending on the outcome of the hearing, adoption of both the bylaws may proceed.

Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 604/06 creates a C4 Residential Commercial zone in a specified area. OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 605/06 establishes council’s policy that weekly or monthly rental of a single family dwelling can only be located in the Residential Commercial zone. Council is proceeding to look at the issue of the C4 zone prior to a planned major community review because the Oldham’s, from a discussion last year with Village administrative staff, had understood that the Village’s present zoning allowed for their vacation rental business.

The Primary Health Care nursing position at the health centre has been cut back to half time. Mayor Wright will meet with Carol Markovski of Interior Health to query which numbers were used to justify this reduction in service. IHA has assured him that this cutback was not done in response to the cost overrun for the information technology system, and that the IHA totally understood the cost. They also indicated that if supportive assisted living services are instituted, the total nursing allotment will be increased as direct service to patients, under the IHA planned continuum of care.

Councilor Greensword and Mayor Wright report that talks regarding ambulance service are ongoing. Mayor Wright met with representatives from the Village of Nakusp and Rural Areas Health to discuss a conciliatory approach to the ambulance service. Mayor Wright also requested that the Health Minister seriously consider placing the BC Ambulance Service under the auspices of the Health Authorities, so all healthcare services can be better co-ordinated.

Recreation Commission #6 will contribute $700 toward installation of vinyl flooring in the new gym. The estimate for professional installation is $1,000. Mayor Wright indicated he will investigate sources to fill the $300 shortfall.

By Leah Main

Preparatory to the September Union of BC Municipalities convention, Councilor Banka suggested submitting the topic of aboriginal home ownership for discussion at the Small Communities Forum. While supporters own full taxation rates, they also drive property values up and do not participate in the community to the same degree that residents do. Discussion on this at the forum would be a way to share ideas and seek help and advice in guiding the challenges inherent in the situation.

Councilor Banka reported that she had met with a number of community organizations to discuss the possibility of having a Katamavik group come to our area from June 2007 - August 2007. There was enough interest to go ahead with the application, which has a deadline of July 30. Council will provide a letter of support, contingent on administrative staff reviewing the application to ensure that this community can meet all the conditions.

Chamber of Commerce wrote to the Health Services Minister inquiring whether the Village would consider transferring authority and rental income from the old Elementary School on Harold St. to the Village. Mayor Wright will also request that the BC Ambulance Service move the base unit covering our area from Nakusp and Rural Areas H and K, who have met with a number of community organizations to discuss the possibility of having a Katamavik group come to our area from June 2007 - August 2007.

The above is a synopsis of the proposed bylaw and is not deemed to be a interpretation of the bylaw. Copies of the aforementioned bylaws may be obtained from Village of New Denver office. The meeting will be on the second floor of the old High School on Harold St. BC, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily, except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, from the date of this notice to the 8th day of August, 2006.

Carol Gordon, CMC
Administrator
Silverton loses lovely shade tree, prompting beautification program

by Jan McMurray

The loss of Silverton’s most venerable tree has planted a seed of enthusiasm for a downtown beautification project in the village.

At the July 11 council meeting, Administration Junko Ida reported that the silver maple beside Horsefeathers had rooted in the middle, and that BC Hydro had graciously offered to take it down.

Housing referral office recycled

submitted by Laverne Booth

Also, there will no longer be a fine housing referral service in the Slocan Valley.

The housing office ran as a pilot project for three months out of the Habondia office in Wanless’s Space Centre, but proved unsustainable. And so, another good idea recicled. Jiesmells that many communities are competing for very little government funding available for affordable housing and homelessness. The Habondia (micro- loan office) remains open (part-time) in the Space Centre at 226-701.

The Circle of Habondia Lending Society learned of some interesting things during its short foray into the landlord/tenants relationship arena.

“Mostly, we heard horror stories from renters and landlords alike,” said Laverne Booth of the society. “Broken relationships lying around affect our ability to unite as a community! How do you teach people to clean up after themselves and leave another person’s property in better shape?”

She recommends contacting the Advocacy Centre in Nelson at 352-5777 for information in getting landlords and tenants rights, or visiting www.renters.bc.ca or www.landlord-tenants.org.

“We had hoped to respond to increasing pressures for more adequate housing rentals in the Slocan Valley by bringing together homeowners to hear about EnergyGuide housing grants. But, oops, the Conservative government cancelled the program—they went, they were recycled,” said Booth.

She informs that funding is still available for Seniors Independence and Secondary/Garden Suites. Call Lynch Inspections (352-2300) for information.

The Habondia groups sends warm thanks to volunteers, workshop presenters and House Answering Group members. The society also thanks Interior Health for two mini-grants. One supported attempts to lower housing costs for families living in poverty by providing more of their shelter money in their pockets for food. The other helped with attempts to match up people with mental health and addictions issues with adequate housing.

The good news is that the community has come together to beautify the village,” said Mayor Everett. He explained that the village will supply the manpower, Hydro will pay for some trees and picnic tables, and some Silverton businesses will also pitch in for trees.

Destination Silverton wrote to council saying the downtown merchant’s group would be happy to participate in a beautification program, and offered to purchase a tree.

In the letter, the group also requested that the Village encourage BC Hydro and Telus to bury the power and phone lines or re-route them to the back alley. This would improve the look of the downtown area and prevent a recurrence of the recent silver maple tree’s demise, which was due to repeated pruning of the tree to locate the power lines, stated the letter.

Stuaff was directed to write back to the group saying the Village will work with them on this.

SLOCAN VALLEY

Successful Project Awards

Columbia Basin Trust Community Initiatives Funding Program

Further to the Public Meetings held earlier this year, Electoral Area H and the Villages of New Denver, Silverton and Nakusp have submitted the following proposals for funding from the Community Initiatives Program operated by the Columbia Basin Trust.

Applicant Project Description Amount

Columbia Basin Trust Cultural Alliance, Recreation Commission #6, Lucerne PAC, Village of Silverton
Summer Theatre School Presents a final showcasing of their week long learning theatre skills. Saturday, July 22 7:00 pm at the Silverton Gallery Admission by donation VISTA is a part of the Valhalla Summer School of Fine Arts (VSSAF) which offers three other summer camps.
• Suzuki Valhalla Institute
• Valhalla Summer School of Music
• Valhalla Inspressive Performers’ Program

We wish to thank everyone who helped provide funding for this program. Funding was provided by Columbia Basin Trust, Kootenay Cultural Alliance, Recreation Commission #6 and Lucerne PAC. Village of Silverton and the Silverton Lake Chamber of Commerce.

NOTICE OF VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

Pursuant to Section 127 and in accordance with Section 94 of the Community Charter the Village of Slocan is required to post notice at least once a year of dates, times and place of regularly scheduled Council Meetings.

2006 MEETING SCHEDULE

Council Meetings — held at 7:00 pm in the Village of Slocan Office at 503 Slocan Street, Silverton BC
July 12, 2006
August 9, 2006
September 13, 2006
October 11, 2006
November 8, 2006
December 13, 2006
Chad Guy of Skavenjah autographs Meagan Hughes' T-shirt at the Nakusp Music Festival, Saturday, July 15.

Roger Hodgson, formerly of Supertramp, put on an exceptional final show at the Nakusp Music Festival.

April Wine brought the fans to their feet on Sunday night.

Skavenjah spread their infectious blend of SKA, Reggae and dub music to a willing crowd on Saturday afternoon.
26th annual Slocan City Logger Sports Competition entertains

Open Log Birling, James Essig (L), Oregon & Darren Hudson (R) - Current and many time World Champion Log Birler from Nova Scotia.

Open Hot Saw (Just for Fun!), Gary Burns/Glen Erickson - Running an "IEL Pioneer Super Twin". This antique is a two man twin cylinder chainsaw manufactured in Vancouver in 1946. It weighs over 60 lbs!

SLOCAN LOGGER SPORTS

Canadian Championship Intermediate Choker Race, James Hartley (L), Oregon, Darren Dean (R), Campbell River BC

Obstacle Pole Bucking, Larry Heustis, Idaho

Canadian Championship Open Tree Climb, Darren Hudson, Nova Scotia

Canadian Championship Intermediate Choker Race, James Hartley (L), Oregon, Darren Dean (R), Campbell River BC

Jack & Jill Crosscut, Tyann McFall (L), Washington & Rob Wabel (R), Oregon

The Kingfisher Restaurant has undergone a major renovation this spring in preparation for the 2006 season. We have redesigned the menu and the restaurant to create a cozy and more vibrant atmosphere using rock, wood and nature to expose some of the best features the restaurant and the view have to offer. Come and try some of the fabulous new dishes Chef Stacey has created, including wild Pacific Salmon, a variety of salads, entrees and desserts. If you are looking for incredible food, great service and a spectacular view – elegant or casual – this is the spot for you. Reservations recommended, but not required. CALL 1-888-689-4699.

RECICLING DEPOT RELOCATION

Visit the Silvertown Recycling Depot’s NEW location on 2nd St. (Next to Irly Bird Lumber Yard), EFFECTIVE AUG. 1, 2006.

Same 24 hour, 7 Day a Week Access.

Thank you for keeping your facility clean.

For more information about waste reduction please contact the RCBC Hotline at 1-888-667-4321.
Nakusp council, July 13: Hot springs re-opening getting very close

by Jan McMurray

• CBAO Bob Lafleur gave an update on the hot springs after having a round table with contractors that same day. If everything goes as planned, the pools could be open as early as July 28. Howver, time is needed for the staff to get used to the new system and to get the bugs out. The hope is that the facility will be fully up and running by the August long weekend.

• Councillor Ulli Mueller reported that tile work on the pools at the hot springs was “fantastic,” but that the same could not be said for the brushed concrete decking work, which cost $50,000 and is not what the contractor had expected when they were bid out. He said, mentioning cracks in the concrete, pooling water and muddy walking.

Lafleur said he had a three-page deficiencies list and one-and-a-half of them were related to the pools. He said that the crew, project manager Chris Fairbank and mechanical engineer Walter Yoneda would visit the site on the weekend of July 24 to try and address these issues.

The hot springs Grand Opening event is being planned for the fall. Council approved a budget of $5,000 for the advertising campaign.

• Lafleur reported that the reservoir was almost completely emptied due to complaints by residents about the noisy and dangerous truck traffic on the hill, and the clip on toes that have gotten stuck there in the winter. It点亮ed confirmed that heavy truck traffic and the use of chains will result in increased maintenance costs for the Village. Lafleur recommended that council work with Chatterton, the chip truck company, to discount the use of the hill. Council agreed that it was this measure to take at this time.

Lafleur also told the option the Village had was to close the Subject street from using the hill altogether, but this suggestion was considered too drastic, as the hill is used to hoist the concrete trucks from using the hill in the winter.

• Council discussed Joe Williams’ request to have the ditch in front of the Henderson residence filled in. As the drive way separates the ditch into two parts, council directed staff to get clarification from the owner of the property owners would own it.

In the ditch on one side, there is a fire hydrant, which Williams spoke of as a safety hazard when he made his presentation to council at the last meeting. CBAO Lafleur pointed out that the ditches are there for drainage, as there is no storm sewer system. He also suggested that the fire chief review all of the ditches in the village and make a recommendation on which ones should be filled in for safety reasons. Council agreed.

• Mayor Hamling reported that the Hakuny Acquired Livestock rennovation contract, worth about $3 million, was awarded to Hi-Tech Contracting Ltd.

She also reported that the Nakusp and Arrow Lakes wishes application had raised its second $50,000 and expects to complete the OCP review process. She also reported that the Village does not have Development applications to subdivide into about 70 residential lots. She also let council know that he would like to subdivide the land and sell it at some point in the future. The requested was granted.
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Kaslo council, July 11: BMX/mountain bike site proposed near skatepark

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The Kaslo Area Youth Council/ Kaslo Skatepark Committee wrote to council with a request to build a BMX/mountain bike site, on Kaslo beach, adjacent to the skatepark site. The request was referred to the Planning & Development committee for recommendation to council. There was also a request to make small changes to the skatepark signage that will eventually be installed at the site. This was referred to the Administration & Finance Committee for recommendation to council.

The request is supported by numerous Kaslo youth in a petition signed by nearly 50 people. The petition is currently on display at the Kaslo Fire Hall. A workable solution will be sought by the Public Works Department for recommendation to council.

Chairman Campbell wrote to council with a request for new skatepark signage that will double as a BMX/mountain bike sign. The request was referred to the Administration & Finance Committee for recommendation to council.

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