

Village of Valemount

Newsletter

February, 2012

Valemount Winter Festival

Saturday, February 25, 2012

Saskatchewan Snowmobile Racing Association, Tourism Valemount and VARDA present the first Snowmobile Drag Races in Valemount, BC (this is an ISR Sanctioned Event). Come out and try your luck at the different classes: Stock, Improved, Mountain, Pro, Amateur and there is even a class for Local Racers. For the kids we have Jr. Amateur and Mini Sled Class (Kitty Cat). After the races, kick back and relax and join us at the Awards Ceremony.

Sunday, February 26, 2012

Ride for a cause! Bring your family and friends and experience the thrill of riding in the beautiful mountain trails of the Lower Westridge area, while raising funds for the BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities. Complete the day by enjoying hot-dogs and beverages by the bonfire, while you share stories of your snowmobiling adventures.

For more information:

email: marketing@visitvalemount.ca or
call 250.566.9905 or go to
www.visitvalemount.ca

Reminders

- The Village has a classroom available for rent to the public located at 99 Gorse Street. For information regarding prices and availability, please call the Village front desk.
- Begin preparing for the Village's annual Spring Clean up. Watch for details in next months Newsletter.

2011 Utilities

Please note that if you are paying your 2011 Utility bill, the charges were transferred to your tax account as of December 31, 2011. These charges are now collecting interest daily, therefore you may still have a balance owing.

2012 Utilities

In order to receive your discount, utility bills must be paid at the Village office by March 12, 2012.

Business Licenses

If you are operating a business or offering a professional, personal or other service for the purpose of gain or profit, you need a Business License. 2011 is now behind us, so it's time to come into the Village Office and renew your Business License for 2012 or print the form off our website & mail with payment.

Yearly Rates:

Home Occupation: **\$25.00**
Mobile Store/Vendor: **\$200.00**
All other Businesses: **\$75.00**

Dog Licenses

Any person who owns, possesses or harbors any dog over the age of eight weeks shall obtain a dog license.

Yearly Rates:

Each male or female dog **\$25.00**
Each neutered male dog or spayed female dog **\$12.50**

Columbia Basin Trust Funding

Applications are now being accepted for the Columbia Basin Trust grants through the Community Initiatives Program.

If you have a project benefitting the community in either a social, environmental, or economical way and are looking for funding, you can access the application form in the following ways:

- An application package can be picked up at the Village office
- On the Village of Valemount website, www.valemount.ca scroll to the bottom right corner and click on the CBT Community Initiatives link. The application package can be printed from there.

The last day of the intake period for applications is February 29, 2012. All applicants submitting complete applications containing all of the required information will be invited to present their project in a public forum on March 14, 2012.

Bylaw Enforcement

The Village Office is currently not contracting Bylaw Enforcement services. The following phone numbers shall no longer be used for bylaw complaints:

250 566 0144
250 566 1974

All bylaw concerns will now be directed to the Village office at

250 566 4435

MISSION STATEMENT

To Serve the Community and Embrace Opportunity

January Resolutions

Res # 007/12

MOVED BY Councillor Bullock
SECONDED BY Councillor Latimer
THAT Council approves a letter to the Regional District of Fraser - Fort George stating that we have no concerns regarding the Temporary Industrial Use Permit for the Craig property.

CARRIED.

Res # 008/12

MOVED BY Councillor Salt
SECONDED BY Councillor Latimer
THAT Council approves staff to proceed with the posting of the Request for Proposal for the operations and management of the Information Centre.

CARRIED.

Res # 009/12

MOVED BY Councillor Blanchette
SECONDED BY Councillor Latimer
THAT Council approves the Fourth and Final Reading of the Village of Valemount Traffic Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 678/11.

CARRIED.

Res # 010/12

MOVED BY Councillor Salt
SECONDED BY Councillor Latimer
THAT Council approves the Mayor and CAO to sign an agreement with B.A. Blackwell & Associates to complete the Wildfire Plan Update for the Village of Valemount in the amount of \$14,960.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED.

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Res # 011/12

MOVED BY Councillor Latimer
SECONDED BY Councillor Salt
THAT Council approves the Mayor and CAO to sign a letter of understanding with CMH to have the snow removed on the runway when the roads and Village needs have been met. The cost of the charges to CMH will be \$200.00 per hour. This agreement will also provide CMH the ability to have a qualified employee check the runway prior to their chartered flights landing on the airport and a report be provided to the Village when the inspection has been completed.

CARRIED.

Res # 012/12

MOVED BY Councillor Salt
SECONDED BY Councillor Blanchette
THAT Council approves the Approving Officer to sign the Development Variance Permit No. DVP 06-11 for 1950 Cranberry place.

CARRIED.

Council Meetings

Tuesday February 14, 2012
Tuesday February 28, 2012

7:00 pm in the Village Council Chambers. Everyone Welcome!



Watch for New Village Speed Limit Signs!

Traffic Regulation Amendment Bylaw 678, 2011

Traffic Regulation Bylaw # 202 is hereby amended by changing Section 23 to the following:

Section 23

The Speed Limit in all lanes throughout the Village shall not be more than twenty-five (25) km per hour for all traffic. The Speed Limit on all named (paved or gravel) highways and streets throughout the Village shall be no more than forty (40) km per hour for all traffic, unless otherwise posted.

Council Meetings Date and Time Changes

At the January 9, 2012 council meeting, direction was provided to staff to amend the Procedural Bylaw to hold Council meetings on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 5:00 pm.

The public will be notified when and if this bylaw passes.