

Town Hall

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Welcome

Topics Today

- RCMP
- Buildings
- Bylaws
- Infrastructure
- Safety
- Food Security
- Issues Identification Study
- The Future



Building Permits

Year to date, wildfire building permit numbers:

- Total issued BP's = 44.
- These consist of; 37 residential homes, 4 detached accessory/garage/shop, 1 industrial, 2 commercial.
- 7 BP applications are in the queue, all residential homes.
- Including wildfire permits, we have issued 160 total building permits in Electoral Area F



Bylaw Complaints

Anglemont Trailer complaints

- 5 this year
- 2 are closed

We are not a municipality, rather, we are a local government with a vast area and many rural properties without any regulations whatsoever. As such, one of the sole purposes of the Bylaw Enforcement Policy A-69, is to provide a low level enforcement service at a bare minimum cost to the taxpayers

Questions?



Infrastructure

Scotch Creek

Water - Scotch Creek Wharf Road water system still being finished, anticipate first water in spring 2025.

Liquid Waste - I have had discussions with StS (Little Shuswap Lake Band) but nothing moving quickly



Infrastructure

Water Systems

- Anglemont
- Saratoga
- Cottonwoods

Reserve funds for maintenance and needed upgrades in pretty good shape.

Questions?



Safety - Firehalls

2 Firehalls to be built - Scotch Creek, Anglemont

Scotch Creek

- still in discussion with insurance company
- Design and engineering are underway
- Current status in temporary storage unit provides full capacity for fire protection coverage



Safety - Firehalls

Anglemont

- Current firehall is well past its useful life
- We have a lot near Ross Creek store
- Design and engineering proceeding along with Scotch Creek hall
- We hope to achieve some savings by building in step with SC

We will need to borrow funds for this build

Questions?



Safety - Road Rescue

Finally have this at the board level

We have tasked CSRD staff to come up with costs

- preliminary estimate of \$150,000 for equipment and training
- ongoing costs of \$50,000 for annual training and upkeep

Need a new service category, a new budget account in the books

Questions?



Food Security

Some numbers:

3200 full time residents in the North Shuswap as per 2021 census

3 meals each per day = 9600 meals per day

365 days in a year

3.5 million meals per year

4 acres of vegetable production in the North Shuswap

Maybe 200 head of beef, 50 sheep

Questions?



Issues Identification Study

Roughly 800 responses to surveys, report cards, in person meetings...

Issues where we have no or little control

- Healthcare & Seniors Services
- Roads
- Policing/Ambulance

We can advocate and question service levels but we have no direct control.



Issues Identification Study

Issues where we have some control

- Enforcement of Bylaws
- Building Permit Process
- Community Engagement, representation, CSRD communication
- Environment & wildfire preparedness
(Firesmart, NEP-Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness)
- Tourism & Economic Development



Issues Identification Study

Recommendation - **Local Advisory Committee**

- North Shuswap Residents
- Select committee of the CSRD Board
- Assist Area F Director in
 - assessing the delivery of existing services
 - review the need for new services
 - advising on local concerns

Has no authority - advice only

Questions?



2025 Issues & Projects

Community buildings

- Food bank space & food hub
- Childcare
- Seniors housing
- Attainable/affordable housing

OCP followed by new zoning

- Main Street Downtown North Shuswap is a concern

Scotch Creek expanded water service and liquid waste service

Success doesn't come overnight;
it's the result of consistent efforts,
patience and resilience.

Much like planting a seed and waiting for it to grow
into a mighty tree.

This is
Our Community

Together, we can
achieve great things!

You can be involved:

- Food bank
- Chamber of Commerce
- First Responders
- Volunteer Fire Depts
- Health Centre
- Food Security
- Housing
- Park Board
- Local Advisory Cmte
- NEP's
- And so much more...

Thanks!

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241029 Town Hall Meeting notes

RCMP Corporal Widenman:

Chase detachment going through an influx

New sergeant expected in mid November

Stats July 1-Oct 1

-lee creek 77 files (includes Little Shu Lake band)

- 2 thefts 4 assault 2 mischief

-sc 45 files 2 thefts, 1 assault, 1 disturbance, 1

-Celista 40 files

- Magna Bay 8 files

- Anglemont 30 files

- Seymour arm 1 theft 1 assault

**ask for these stats to verify

New recruit currently 2 months in can be on her own starting February

New recruit from Alberta starts Monday

Now that we are full officers (10officers) they will typically request a move, that's just the way RCMP goes.

Q: how do we get more officers in our area?

A: it's up to mostly the province to determine how many members work at the detachment. Talk to your MLA if you think we need more funding in your area. Surrey is taking a lot of funding. But we are lucky Revelstoke is only at 50%. Their sergeant is concerned because of the cost of housing there.

Q: will the highway four laneing put relief on the chase detachment

A: yes. We've had 3 deaths there this year. However, that four laneing will take years.

Q: do you have stats on who is causing the files.

A: not actual stats however, 90% of the calls are caused by 5% of the population

Q: thefts, assaults that are caused by "frequent fliers" let out the next day.

A: legislation dictates that we have to release them within 24 hours max. Drunk in public is more like 8 hours. If there's safety issue we will try to get them in front of a judge right away. That's

the courts fault. If you are interested in volunteering, we always need guards.

Q: Ptap (priority target authority) still in effect?

A: yes if we can get them on curfew conditions we will go check on them. In the past breach charges were taken more seriously. Now they are not unless it's attached to a major crime.

Bc is quite liberal on bail and the length of time that they keep people in jail. To change that would have to come from the national government.

Q: will there be a school liaison program again?

A: yes, now that the Chase detachment is fully staffed, every officer will have a school. As

long as the constituents want it, we will do it.

Q: is there a regular patrol on the North Shu?

A: "I tell them to do that".

Q: Multiple RCMP SUV vehicles means theres an incident. A: yes we get help from salmon arm and sicamous

Q from Corporal Wideman: Any interest in Scam training for seniors?

A from the audience: There is.

If you have someone who wants to start a citizens on patrol program go for it.

Auxiliary program is back up and running. If you have a tier 3 patrol can communicate with rcmp and have everything but a gun, basically.

Corporal has to look into what are the parameters to start a citizens o patrol program.

Distance from a detachment .. is that a thing?

**The response from the audience regarding the visit from the Corporal was very well received.

Building permits:

50 or so have been approved 160 have been filed.

Bylaw complaints- most popular are anglemont trailers.

Q: how many temporary use permits have been issued?

A: I dont know how many exactly. but not many.

Q: How do we get more bylaw enforcement out here.

Jay: They have to triage the life and limb vs the nice to have.

Participant: what youre saying is that I should've just ignored that call because they won't follow up.

Q: has the CSRD not looked into getting another building inspector? Theres only one and she's definitely overworked. Even on a temporary basis?

A: It's hard to find staff. Temporary staff is even harder. And if we did find help it would cost us more.

Q: is the CSRD actively advertising for another building inspector?

A: I don't know. I can look into that.

Comment "we had 24 inspections on our foundation alone".

Infrastructure:

Scotch Creek Wharf Road Water system expected to be completed in spring of 2025.

Liquid waste nothing moving quickly with STS (LSLB)

Q: what's going on with the wharf beach?

A: they're working on it but not quickly. Will be ready for summer 2025.

Q: generators for fire systems?

A: they have a couple of mobile generators that they can put where needed.

Fire Hall

The holdup has been negotiation with the insurance company. Our projected costs are higher than the settlement proposed. The community would very much like to see the design proposal before the money is spent.

Road rescue

First Responder: this is an issue for anyone who drives.

Q: Want to know the stats of how often the jaws of life are needed?

Anglemont Firefighter: In the past 4 or 5 years Anglemont has had about 5 times needed it. That's just Anglemont.

Q: What is with the health centre? People who pay for it on their taxes should be able to go to the clinic. IMHO, I believe that anyone with a NS address on their DL should be able to get health care service at that location. (There was general agreement with this)

1 Audience response: I've never had a problem getting an appointment there. Even when I first moved here and still had an Alberta Drivers License.

Food security is a positive topic.

Comment: Personally, I never have time to go to the Celista farmers market. However, I would love to be able to purchase locally sourced food at our grocery store. I know that when I shop at De'Mills, I always look for tags that say "local". Could we do something like that here?

Jay: Until we have enough locally sourced food we can't really do that. But we are working on that and it's personally important to me. If anyone wants to get involved get in touch.

Progressive thinking for 2025!

Childcare. Seniors housing. Food bank space. Housing affordability. OCP. Main Street. Water and Sewer.

Jays Vision- Scotch creek is the downtown core, so the rest of the North Shu can remain its beautiful, natural, rural self.