



Statement #4 from Mayor Christine Fraser – COVID-19
Thursday, April 9, 2020

MUNICIPAL OFFICE OPEN FOR BUSINESS

PLEASE Call or Email US - WE ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOU AT:

Phone: 250-546-3013

Email: mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca

Website: www.spallumcheentwp.bc.ca

THE TOWNSHIP'S MAIN OFFICE IS AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT

The safety of our residents and our staff is our top priority. All departments are providing service to our residents in the order of essential services first and other services as time permits. Please see the Township's website for more details. We would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding at this time.

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Township of Spallumcheen has tested our new electronic meeting process with much success. The public are welcome to attend to listen to the meeting via the following options:

- Via telephone,
- Via computer, or
- Via electronic device.

The next Regular Council Meeting is Monday, April 20, 2020 at 7:00 pm (*please note the time may change based on the number of items for discussion. Changes will be posted on the website under NEWS*) If you would like to virtually attend, please email mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca or contact the office at 250-546-3013 and an access code will be provided to you.



ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH #35

At this time, we would like to request everyone to remember, acknowledge and support our veterans in observance of Vimy Ridge Day – April 9, 2020. Please remember the almost 3,600 Canadian soldiers that lost their lives and over 7,000 that were wounded when Canadian soldiers stormed the ridge in France for four days of brutal battle against the German forces. We Remember.

WHITE HEART PROJECT

In support of the Vernon Jubilee Hospital and all our frontline workers and medical staff the Township of Spallumcheen Council is encouraging the community to get involved in the White heart Project.

Well-wishers are encouraged to:

SEND a message of encouragement by visiting www.WhiteHeartsforVJH.ca

SHOW support by posting a white heart in windows or on doors. Templates are easily accessed and available on the site.

SHARE photos and messages of appreciation by posting on social media using #WhiteHeartsforVJH



FLOOD MITIGATION AND ROAD MAINTENANCE:

Please note the Township has a **sandbagging station** set up at the public works yard located at **1511 Eagle Rock Road**. Bags and sand provided – please bring your own shovel. Council continues to work with the province on flood mitigation measures.

MEIGHAN CREEK PROJECT

The Meighan Creek Culvert Replacement project is scheduled to begin April 1, 2020 and continue through to mid-May. During flooding events in 2017 and 2018, Meighan Creek experienced significant creek channel erosion and a loss of a portion of Powerhouse Road. The culverts are being replaced as part of the Township of Spallumcheen's Asset Management Plan and flood hazard mitigation works. The project consists of full culvert replacement, headwalls, channel armoring and road restoration.

The public should anticipate full road closure on Powerhouse Road at Meighan Creek, located 100 meters south of Demorest Road. Local traffic can access the south and north portions of Powerhouse Road via Highway 97. All traffic going to the Armstrong/Spallumcheen Recycling and Disposal Facility should access it at the north end of Powerhouse Road.

For more information, contact mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca or call the office at 250-546-3013.

NO OPEN BURNING – COVID-19 Burning Ban Currently in Place

On March 26, 2020, the Township of Spallumcheen Fire Chief advised, that due to COVID-19, and based on requirements from the provincial government, a burning ban is required. Persons in violation of the Township's burning regulations may be subject to Municipal Ticket Information fines up to **\$2,000.00**. Please ensure you do not open burn during fire bans. Fines may be issued for all Open Burning that is contrary to the **Township of Spallumcheen Fire Prevention Bylaw No. 1909, 2019 Consolidated February 2019**.

More information regarding provincial regulations relating to open burning during COVID-19 can be found via the following link: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/environment/air-land-water/air/advisories/2020-03-26_hssz_open_burning_restrictions_issued.pdf

HEALTH TIPS

PLEASE SEE OUR COVID-19 LINK ON OUR WEBSITE FOR LINKS TO HEALTH AGENCIES.

****Anyone who suspects they may have symptoms of COVID-19 should call: 8-1-1 for an assessment or download the self-assessment app at: <https://bc.thrive.health/>***

The Public Health Agency of Canada has created a toll-free phone number (1-833-784-4397) to answer questions from Canadians about COVID-19.

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT

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