

CAO Report – February 6, 2024

Some positive progress on the Summerland Pier in the last week. As per the provincial process the Penticton Indian Band was engaged to see if they have any site-specific concerns. We received back a letter of conditional approval from the PIB in a quick turnaround which is greatly appreciated! We are now waiting for the province to provide their final authorizations to put in the piles which we hope can still be done within the environmental working window they have given us. If those approvals do not come through in time, it is likely the project will not be able to be built until the late summer or fall.

Speaking of the pier, Summerland Rotary has announced a second 50/50 draw. The first round of the 50/50 fundraiser raised \$31,390, with the winner taking a total of \$15,695! The overall goal is for the Summerland Rotary Club to raise up to \$100,000 for the enhancement of the new pier, with additional funds to come from the community at large. Ticket sales are open now and close February 28 – check out the Summerland Rotary website to learn more.

A couple of public engagement opportunities are coming up on some key projects, so I wanted folks to be aware of the timelines:

- We would like to hear from Summerland residents who have been using Route 30 during the free transit pilot that runs until April 22. The survey is available at www.summerland.ca/transit until February 25, 2024
- We are planning an Eco Village Open House for Wednesday February 28, 2024 from 4:00 PM 6:00 PM at the George Ryga Arts Centre (9525 Wharton St). Updates on the Zoning and Conceptual Plan for the project will be presented by staff and more information can be found on the project webpage: <u>www.summerland.ca/ecovillage</u>

Dog and business licence renewals were due January 31, 2024. If you did not receive your renewal in the mail or if you no longer require it, please call Municipal Hall 250-494-6451 or email <u>info@summerland.ca</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

Graham Statt, Chief Administrative Officer