

SILGA SCOOP

2024 Summer Edition



Meet your 2024-25 SILGA Board

L-R TNRD Director Tricia Thorpe, Princeton Mayor Spencer Coyne, Peachland Councillor Keith Thom, Oliver Councillor and SILGA Past President Aimee Grice, Kelowna Councillor Gord Lovegrove, Salmon Arm Councillor and SILGA President Louise Wallace Richmond, Kamloops Councillor Stephen Karpuk, Merritt Councillor Adam Etchart, Kamloops Councillor and SILGA 1st VP Bill Sarai, West Kelowna Councillor and SILGA 2nd VP Tasha Da Silva. Missing Penticton Councillor Isaac Gilbert.

UBCM Minister Meeting Requests (Based on 2024 SILGA Resolutions)

Mental Health – Complex Care Facilities Implementation and Four Pillars Funding

Housing – Increased Funding for the Implementation of the Provincial Housing Development Requirements

Transportation – Resource Roads and Highway Maintenance Contracts

Labour – Legislation Changes to Address Bullying and Harassment by Local Elected Officials and the Public

Municipal Affairs - A Regional Update on the Required Changes to Local Bylaws and OCP as a Result of the Zoning Changes.

SILGA made history! Our opening ceremonies, held on the lands of the T'kémłúps te Secwépemc, was the first time in BC local government history that an opening ceremony was held on First Nations lands.



Keynote Speaker Nikki Fraser, TteS Councillor

Two SILGA executive members are running for the UBCM board as Directors at Large – Aimee Grice, Olver Councillor and Keith Thom, Peachland Councillor.

It's important to have regional voices on the UBCM Board – please get out and vote!



SILGA Community News

TNRD - Loon Lake Firehall Rebuild

The small community of Loon Lake, north of Cache Creek, celebrated the rebuilding of their firehall on June 8th. Their original firehall was destroyed in 2017 by the Elephant Hill wildfire.



Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail Enderby-Splatsin section

May 10th marked the opening of the first phase (2 km section) of a 50-kilometre, non-motorized greenway trail for walking and cycling along the former rail corridor between the communities of Sicamous and Armstrong.



Kamloops – TNRD Hazardous Waste Facility

A new year-round residential household hazardous waste drop-off facility servicing Kamloops and the TNRD free of charge is now a reality. This is exciting to be able to offer this important service year-round as previously the City and the TNRD hosted one-off “round-up” events once a year.



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And remember, keep sending in your community stories to SILGA for inclusion in the next newsletter.