



**AGENDA**  
for the  
**Special Meeting of Council**



**Tuesday**  
**January 08, 2019**  
**Council Chambers**  
**6:00 pm**

*"The Village of Burns Lake is a diverse community where residents enjoy a high quality of life, supported by economic and environmental sustainability, and a vibrant community spirit."*

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## 2019 MUNICIPAL OBJECTIVES

1. **The Village will work to strengthen the local economy, support the growth of new and existing businesses and increase our economic diversity.**
  - Identify and implement concrete actions in updated Economic Development Plan.
  - Work with Safety Task Force Committee (signage, line painting, parking, speed limits, and stop sign review).
  - Amend Zoning Bylaw to segregate retail and service sectors in commercial zone.
  - Implement Signage Strategy (access grant funds).
  - Investigate options to gain access to property behind Save-On-Foods.
  - Conduct annual business survey.
  - Reduce tax ratio between business and residential class.
  - Explore and encourage partnerships, including recreation opportunities with First Nations.
  - Encourage and support more downtown events through volunteers and partnerships.
2. **The Village will maintain and improve municipal and residential infrastructure services.**
  - The Village will continue to repair streets in a fiscally responsible manner.
  - Invest \$200,000 in street repairs indexed to inflation.
  - Pursue grant funding for major infrastructure projects.
  - Pursue manganese treatment plant.
3. **The Village will promote and encourage an increase in the availability of residential housing, beautification of the residential sector and work with non-profits to provide social housing opportunities.**
  - Investigate a residential revitalization/façade improvement program. (Program funding, format, evaluation method, rating criteria).
  - Engage the public on housing needs assessment for 'under 55'.
  - Work with developers in providing new housing developments; receptive to considering variances and/or Zoning Bylaw Amendments that address community priorities.
  - Enforcement of Unsightly Premises Bylaw.
  - Explore development opportunities for Village owned 25-hectare parcel.
4. **Work with stakeholders to implement community wildfire protection**
  - Prioritize and implement actions proceeding from Community Wildfire Protection Plan.
  - Investigate risk mitigation project for Village's 25-hectare parcel.
5. **The Village will provide and support recreation, healthy living and cultural opportunities**
  - Prioritize and implement recreation review action items.
  - Explore innovative new programming to increase recreational revenues.
  - Identify and implement efficiencies.
  - Investigate opportunities to develop biking within town and connecting trails.  
Explore parks, trails and recreation opportunities with the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Areas B & E and First Nations
6. **The Village will commit to the promotion of advocacy and engagement initiatives to ensure local concerns are supported and strengthened.**
  - Monitor UBCM resolutions regarding Crown Land development.
  - Build community partnerships.
  - Advocate to the Province in relation to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.
  - Address downloading concerns to Province.
  - Attract out of town investment.
  - Advocate for improved access to three phase hydro-electric power.
  - Work towards attracting improved internet services to address current constraints.
  - Lobby the Province to improve approach signage, historical points of interest, and museum signage.
  - Support Burns Lake and District Chamber of Commerce in investigating hotel tax.
  - Explore the potential for streaming Council meetings.

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1. CALL TO ORDER	
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	
3. PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS; AND READINGS OR ADOPTION	
4. PUBLIC COMMENT	
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5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS	
a) Frank Varga, General Manager – Comfor Management Services Ltd. and Miles Fuller, President Chinook Community Forest.	
6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD	
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7. RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTIONS	
8. ADJOURN	

