

Home Owner Grants 2021

There have been some changes to the Home Owner Grant process for 2021.

Residents in municipalities no longer apply for the home owner grant through their municipal office. Everyone now applies directly to the province using a new online or telephone system that's easy to use and will process applications faster.

When you apply, we'll need your social insurance number to verify your eligibility.

Get ready to apply:

- The best time to apply is after you receive your property tax notice in the mail (This usually happens around May) and before your property tax due date.
- Keep your property tax notice on hand. It has important numbers you'll need to apply.
- Apply online. Your information will be safe and secure when you apply online. It only takes a few minutes and is faster than calling.

Contact and Application Information:

For more information about the home owner grant visit www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant or call 1.888.355.2700.

Open Air Burning

Did you know...

- ◆ Any fire, other than a campfire, is not permitted within 100m of any residence, 500m of a medical centre and on school days, 500m from a school. (Village of Valemount Open Air Burning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 771, 2017)
- ◆ At no charge, for loads up to 3 cubic metres, the Valemount Regional Transfer Station has a centralized composting operation for yard and garden trimmings.
- ◆ Campfires or cooking fires must be fully contained and monitored. No material other than seasoned wood, tree limbs, branches, manufactured logs specifically designed for fireplaces, or BBQ briquettes can be used in any campfire or outdoor cooking fire pit.
- ◆ A campfire is considered to be 60cm by 60cm in diameter and 60cm in height, contained within a fire pit.



Bid Opportunities

Demolition services to the Centennial Park Wash-rooms

Closing date: April 16, 2021 at 12:00 pm

Sand and re-stain the Village of Valemount Entrance Sign

Closing date: April 16, 2021 at 12:00 pm

Sewer Line Cleaning for the Village of Valemount for a three year contract

Closing date: April 16, 2021 at 12:00 pm

Full details are available on our website at www.valemount.ca/bid-contract.

Job Opportunities

Visitor Information Centre Councilors

Application deadline: April 15, 2021 at 4:30 pm.

Public Works Labourer

Application deadline: April 14, 2021 at 12:00 pm.

Full details are available on our website at www.valemount.ca/job-postings

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The Village of Valemount is now sending out upcoming civics events via Voyent Alert!

Public Comment Period at Council Meetings

Q: Why is there a Public Comment Period at Village of Valemount Council Meetings?

A: Members of the community are welcome to attend Council Meetings and are provided a comments and questions period following the business of Council in order to gain clarity or understanding of Council decisions and to participate in discussion with Council about matters on the agenda.

Q: The Public Comments/Questions are not permitted until the end of the meeting. Why not at the beginning before Council makes its decisions?

A: Public comments and questions are for citizens to express their opinions about a given subject, and to interact with Council in gaining a better understanding of Council's decisions. Public Comments are not intended to provide a platform for individual community members during a Council Meeting. While valuable, the input of individuals should be viewed as their personal opinion, and not that of the community.

Q: As a citizen who has a vested interest in the community, is there a forum where I can influence the decisions of Council?

- Absolutely. The input of residents is valuable to the Village and there are designated events and other avenues intended specifically to provide a platform for its citizens, including:
- Community "Town Hall" Meetings;
- Public participation on Council Committees.
- Public Hearings: unlike public comment, hearings are legislated to receive public input prior to Council's decision on certain matters, as specified in the Community Charter.
- Submission of correspondence to Council: This can include a specific request to Council, a concern, or general feedback.
- Web based platforms including questionnaires and surveys.

You are also encouraged to contact the office during regular business hours to speak to village staff about any questions or concerns you may have.

Village of Valemount Consolidated Five Year Financial Plan Budget 2021 - 2025

All interested members of the public are invited to view the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan Budget which will be available online starting April 8, 2021 at www.valemount.ca.

The public consultation period for the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan is from April 8 – 21, 2021

Comments are to be received by the Director of Finance at dof@valemount.ca prior to April 21st at 12pm.

All comments received will be provided to Village Council for consideration in advance of the third bylaw reading, which is expected to be on the agenda at the April 27, 2021 Council meeting.

Parcel Tax Roll Review

The Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel, appointed to consider and address complaints against the Parcel Tax Assessment Roll, will meet on Tuesday April 27, 2021 at 6:45pm in the Valemount Council Chambers

Property owners may request an amendment to the roll only in respect to their own property for the following reasons:

1. There is an error or omission respecting a name or address on the Parcel Tax Roll;
2. There is an error or omission respecting the inclusion of a parcel
3. There is an error or omission respecting the taxable area or the taxable frontage of a parcel;
4. An exemption has been improperly allowed or disallowed.

Requests for amendments to the roll must be submitted, in writing, to the Director of Finance, Lori McNee at dof@valemount.ca or by mail to Village of Valemount, Att: Director of Finance, Lori McNee, PO Box 168, Valemount, BC V0E 2Z0 no later than 4:30pm Friday April 21, 2021

The Parcel Tax Assessment Roll may be viewed by appointment only at the Municipal Office April 8–21, Monday to Friday 9:00am -4:00pm, excluding holidays. To make an appointment, please contact Director of Finance, Lori McNee at dof@valemount.ca or 250 566 4435.