VILLAGE OF VALEMOUNT NEWS

60 Years of Incorporation

On December 13, 1962 Valemount incorporated as a municipality known by the name "Village of Valemount."

SERVICES

Water Works

The formal opening of Valemount's waterworks occurred on July 12, 1964 at a cost of $100,000. In 2010, the new water treatment plant opened. The village's sole water source is Swift Creek.

Sewer System

On August 20, 1980, construction began to install the sewer system. It was completed in 1981 with upgrades completed in 2008.

ROADS

In 1964, 5th Avenue was paved and in 1965, construction of the new Yellowhead highway went through the village.

Most streets were paved between 1993 and 2000. 17th Avenue was paved in 2021.

VALEMOUNT'S ORIGINS

In 1906, Fulton Alexander McKirdy staked the first homestead in the Valemount area. Eight years later, in 1914, the railway made its way through the Yellowhead Pass, and a train station was built at Swift Creek. Until this time, the only access to the area was by trail, and very few people called the area home. With the arrival of the railway came workers and an opportunity to make a living; a small town sprang up with the industry based on logging and tie making camps in addition to trapping. The town grew slowly and included a store, post office, hotel, and school. In 1927 the decision was made to move the Swift Creek station about a mile further down the tracks, and the town was renamed Valemount.

MILESTONES

1972 - Ice Arena Opens

1975 - Current Elementary School Built

1991 - Official Opening of Valemount Airport

2006 - New High school Opens

2007 - Valemount Municipal Office and Visitor Centre Opens

LOGOS

1980'S **Since 2012**

VALEMOUNTAIN DAYS

Since 1982!

This annual event is a celebration of mountain culture in the area. Events may include a parade, logger sports, baseball tournament and more.