

Village of Valemount Newsletter

September 2023

Tax Sale Information

- The tax sale is a public auction of properties within the municipality which have outstanding property taxes from 2 years prior to the current year. The tax sale is held annually on the **last Monday of September (September 25, 2023) at 10:00am at the Council Chambers** in the Municipal Hall of each municipality in BC.
- Notice of the time and place of the tax sale and the description and street address of each property subject to tax sale must be published in at least 2 issues of a newspaper.
- The lowest amount for which a property may be sold at tax sale, is the upset price (the sum of all the property taxes outstanding as at the date of the tax sale, plus all applicable penalties and interest, plus an additional 5% of all taxes, penalties and interest, plus all applicable Land Title Act fees).
- The purchaser must immediately pay the amount of the purchase price to the collector.
- A tax sale property may be redeemed from tax sale within 1 year of the date of the tax sale by the owner of the property, an owner of a registered charge against the property or another person on their behalf.
- If the property is not redeemed, the property is conveyed to the purchaser free and clear of all mortgages, charges, liens, etc., except those imposed by a senior government (Province of British Columbia, Government of Canada).

Be Bear Aware

Garbage is the most reported attractant involved in human-bear conflicts. Bears that access garbage may be injured, cause property damage or become a risk to our community. Please take extra care to ensure that your attractants are safely secured.



Emergency Preparedness

Do you have a safety plan in place for each person in your household? Does each member of your household know exactly what to do in an emergency? Planning ahead will save you time, money, and unnecessary stress and anxiety.



Residents need to plan and prepare for personal, family and pet safety for the first 72 hours following a disaster. This includes keeping a grab & go bag with you, wherever you are; for instance in your vehicle or at your work place.

For more information, visit www.valemount.ca/services/emergency-management/

Missed Village Mail?

Does the municipality have your correct mailing address, including your mailbox number? Information provided to the Village Office may only contain the street address of the property and not the PO Box, which may lead to returned mail. If you have not received your tax or utility notice, please ensure to contact the Village Office at 250-566-4435.

It's Not Too Late!



Exchange your old wood stove for a newer model or cleaner, more efficient option. Apply for the Community Wood Smoke Reduction Program today. Rebates of up to \$3000 are available depending on exchange option. For more information, visit the village website: www.valemount.ca/services/grants-funding



Let the mountains move you

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PO Box 168
Valemount, BC
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Phone: 250-566-4435
Fax: 250-566-4249
Website: www.valemount.ca

Municipal Office

Open Monday to Friday
8:30am to 12:30pm &
1:30pm to 4:30pm

**The Municipal Office will be closed
on Monday, September 4th, to
observe Labour Day.**



The Municipal Office will
be closed on
Monday, October 2nd,
to observe
**National Day of Truth
& Reconciliation.**

Valemount Visitor Information Centre

Open Monday to Friday
8:30am to 4:30pm
(subject to change without notice)
Open on Labour Day!

Stray Dogs & Cats

As per Village of Valemount Animal Bylaw No. 700, 2013, and Animal Control Policy No. 80:

- Domestic animals at large will be captured (if found) in accordance with safe practices to mitigate the possibility of injury to both the Animal Control Officer and the animal being captured. In the case of a domestic cat that cannot be immediately located by the Animal Control Officer, a live trap is available to be lent to the property owner, who will have to monitor the trap themselves, and inform the Animal Control Officer upon capturing the cat.
- Dogs in custody will be housed at the Village kennel and cared for by the Animal Control Officer. While actively attempting to find the owner of the dog, it may be housed with the Village for up to 72 hours, after which the Village will either make an attempt to adopt the dog to a willing custodian (preferable) or surrender the dog to the BCSPCA.
- Cats in the custody of the Animal Control Officer will be handled the same, with an added resource. The Robson Valley Spay and Neuter Society would be contacted to see if they could help with the process.

In all instances, the Animal Control Officer will attempt to find the owner of the animal by word of mouth and with posts on the Village of Valemount/Valemount Bylaw social media pages. If, for some reason, all the outlined options are exhausted without the animal being housed in a permanent home, the Animal Control Officer has the option of delivering that animal to a veterinarian to be euthanized.

School Zones

Please keep school zones in mind and watch out for children as they go back to school on **Tuesday, September 5th.**



Valemount Museum

Open until September 30th
10:00am to 4:30pm

Open on Labour Day!

Visit the museum to enjoy
Erin Stagg's
*Otipemisewak The People
Who Own Themselves*
Exhibition until
September 22, 2023.

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