

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE  
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**  
TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY MARCH 11, 2026 at 6:00 pm  
AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VILLAGE OFFICE



- (1) CALL TO ORDER**  
*We are privileged to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Quatsino First Nations.*
- (2) ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**  
*THAT the Agenda for the Meeting of the Village of Port Alice for March 11, 2026, be approved; AND THAT all delegations, reports, correspondence, and other information set to the agenda be received.*
- (3) DELEGATIONS:**  
a.) Port Alice Gas Update  
February 2026, Delegation from David Dyck, Port Alice Gas
- (4) MINUTES:**  
a.) **THAT** *the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2026, be approved.*
- (5) COMMUNICATIONS:**
- (6) REPORTS:**  
Verbal Report from Councillor Russell Murray, Vancouver Island Regional Library
- (7) BYLAWS:**  
Bylaw 702 - Bylaw for the Financial Plan for 2026-2030  
  
Recommendation  
*THAT Bylaw 702 – Bylaw for Financial Plan for 2026-2030 be given first, second, and third reading*
- (8) QUESTION PERIOD:**
- (9) ADJOURNMENT:**  
*THAT the meeting of the Village of Port Alice Council held March 11, 2026, be adjourned*

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- a.) February 25, 2026, Email from City of Prince George, Mayor Simon Yu, requesting signatures in its petition to the Minister of Justice and the Attorney General of Canada

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VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2026  
AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VILLAGE OFFICE



**Present** Mayor Kevin Cameron  
Councillor Holly Aldis  
Councillor Sean Watson  
Councillor David Stewart

**Absent** Councillor Russell Murray

**Staff** Bonnie Danyk, CAO/CFO  
Tanya Spafford, Admin Assistant

**Call to order 6:00pm**

18/26  
Adoption of  
Agenda

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED  
*THAT the Agenda for the Meeting of the Village of Port Alice for February 25, 2026, be approved, AND THAT all delegations, reports, correspondence, and other information set to the agenda be received.*

19/26  
Minutes of  
February 11,  
2026 meeting

**MINUTES:**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED  
*THAT the Minutes from the Council Meeting of February 11, 2026, be approved.*

**REPORTS:**

Volunteer Fire Department- Fire Chief's Report for January 2026  
January 2026 Report from Jerry Rose, Fire Chief

20/26 Bylaw  
701, Rates &  
Fees  
Amendment

**BYLAWS:**

Bylaw 701 – Bylaw to amend Rates & Fees Bylaw 695-2025  
Moved, Seconded and CARRIED  
*THAT the Village of Port Alice Bylaw 701 – Bylaw to amend Rates & Fees Bylaw 694-2025 be given fourth reading and adoption*

**QUESTION PERIOD:**

21/26  
Adjournment

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:05 pm**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED  
*THAT the Regular meeting of the Village of Port Alice held February 25, 2026, be adjourned at 6:05 pm.*

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular meeting of the Village of Port Alice Council held *February 25, 2026.*

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Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Administrative Officer



**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE  
BYLAW NO. 702, 2026**

BEING A BYLAW FOR THE VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE FINANCIAL PLAN 2026 - 2030

WHEREAS, under section 165 of the Community Charter the Council of the Village of Port Alice is required to adopt a financial plan before the annual property tax bylaw is adopted.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Port Alice, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of this Bylaw is the Village of Port Alice Financial Plan 2026 – 2030, Revenues and Expenditures.
2. Schedule "B" attached to and forming part of this Bylaw is the Village of Port Alice Financial Plan 2026 – 2030 Statement of Objectives and Policies.
3. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Village of Port Alice Financial Plan 2026 - 2030 Bylaw No.702, 2026".

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2026.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION HELD MARCH 24, 2026.

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 25<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2026.

RECONSIDERED, AND ADOPTED THIS 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026.

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Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Administrative Officer

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No.702, as adopted by Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Administrative Officer

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE  
BYLAW NO. 702, 2026**

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE FINANCIAL PLAN 2026 - 2030  
Bylaw No. 702, 2026 - Schedule 'A' REVENUES**

REVENUES	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
<b>Property Taxes</b>	\$850,000	\$903,760	\$931,053	\$959,164	\$988,119
Utility/Grant in Place of Taxes	\$21,500	\$22,145	\$22,809	\$23,494	\$24,198
<b>Total Taxation</b>	<b>\$871,500</b>	<b>\$925,905</b>	<b>\$953,862</b>	<b>\$982,658</b>	<b>\$1,012,317</b>
<b>Fees and Charges</b>					
Garbage Rates/Penalties	\$103,000	\$106,090	\$109,273	\$112,551	\$115,927
Recreation Supplies and Services	\$16,500	\$16,995	\$17,505	\$18,030	\$18,571
Recreation Facilities Rentals	\$19,000	\$19,570	\$20,157	\$20,762	\$21,385
Licenses/Permits	\$9,000	\$9,270	\$9,548	\$9,835	\$10,130
Water Utility	\$71,000	\$73,130	\$75,324	\$77,584	\$79,911
Sewer Utility	\$154,500	\$159,135	\$163,909	\$168,826	\$173,891
Other Revenue	\$281,000	\$256,370	\$264,061	\$271,983	\$280,142
<b>Total Fees and Charges</b>	<b>\$654,000</b>	<b>\$640,560</b>	<b>\$659,777</b>	<b>\$679,571</b>	<b>\$699,957</b>
<b>Other Revenue</b>					
Federal Govt Grants	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Provincial Govt Grants -	\$584,000	\$516,180	\$528,725	\$541,646	\$554,958
Regional District of Mt. Waddington	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
<b>Total Other Revenue</b>	<b>\$590,000</b>	<b>\$522,180</b>	<b>\$534,725</b>	<b>\$547,646</b>	<b>\$560,958</b>
<b>Appropriation from Reserve</b>					
Appropriation from Deferred Revenue	\$149,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriation from Surplus	\$27,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,000
Appropriation from Deferred Revenue:Gas Tax Fun	\$1,050,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriation from Covid Recovey Funds	\$69,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriation from Climate Action Funds	\$66,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriation from Growing Community Funds	\$340,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Appropriation from Reserve</b>	<b>\$1,701,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>Funds Transfers</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE  
BYLAW NO. 702, 2026**

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE FINANCIAL PLAN 2026 - 2030  
Bylaw No. 702, 2026 - Schedule 'A' Expenditures**

EXPENDITURES	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
<b>Debenture Debt Interest</b>					
Community Centre Upgrades      Matures - 2036	\$33,900	\$34,917	\$35,965	\$37,048	\$38,155
<b>Total Debenture Debt</b>	<b>\$33,900</b>	<b>\$34,917</b>	<b>\$35,965</b>	<b>\$37,048</b>	<b>\$38,155</b>
<b>Capital Expenditures</b>					
General	\$1,389,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Utility	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sewer Utility	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Capital Expenditures</b>	<b>\$1,689,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Other Municipal Purposes</b>					
General Government, & Fiscal Services	\$523,300	\$486,639	\$501,239	\$516,276	\$546,764
Fire & Protective Services	\$108,000	\$80,340	\$82,750	\$85,233	\$87,790
Public Works	\$489,300	\$503,979	\$519,098	\$534,671	\$550,711
Health & Environmental Services	\$319,500	\$323,935	\$333,653	\$343,663	\$353,973
Recreation Services	\$330,000	\$328,570	\$338,427	\$348,580	\$359,037
Water Utility	\$55,000	\$56,650	\$58,350	\$60,100	\$61,903
Sewer Utility	\$112,200	\$115,566	\$119,033	\$122,604	\$126,282
<b>Total Other Municipal Purposes</b>	<b>\$1,937,300</b>	<b>\$1,895,679</b>	<b>\$1,952,550</b>	<b>\$2,011,127</b>	<b>\$2,086,460</b>
<b>Transfers to Reserves</b>					
General Fund	\$98,000	\$98,000	\$98,000	\$98,000	\$98,000
Water Fund	\$16,000	\$16,480	\$16,973	\$17,480	\$18,008
Sewer Fund	\$42,300	\$43,569	\$44,876	\$46,220	\$47,609
<b>Total Transfer of Funds</b>	<b>\$156,300</b>	<b>\$158,049</b>	<b>\$159,849</b>	<b>\$161,700</b>	<b>\$163,617</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,816,500</b>	<b>\$2,088,645</b>	<b>\$2,148,364</b>	<b>\$2,209,875</b>	<b>\$2,288,232</b>
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE  
BYLAW NO. 702, 2026**

**Schedule B  
Statement of Objectives and Policies**

In accordance with Section 165 (3.1) of the Community Charter, the Village is required to include in the Five-Year Financial Plan, objectives and policies regarding each of the following:

1. The proportion of total revenue that comes from each of the funding sources described in Section 165 (7) of the Community Charter;
2. The distribution of property taxes among the property classes, and
3. The use of permissive tax exemptions.

**Funding Sources**

Table 1 shows the proportion of total revenue proposed to be raised from each funding source in 2026. Property taxes normally contribute to the greatest proportion of the Village's revenue, however, in 2026 the largest proportion is Appropriation from Surplus and Deferred Revenue which is directly related to ongoing Projects. The property tax revenue source offers several advantages. For example, it is simple to administer, and it is easy for residents to understand. It offers a stable and reliable source of revenue for local government services that are simply not practical or undesirable to fund on a user-pay basis. These services include general administration, fire protection, police services, bylaw enforcement, solid waste management, recreation, and local transportation services (i.e) maintenance & upkeep of local roads and streets.

User fees and charges form the third largest portion of planned revenue. Many services can be measured and charged on a user-pay basis. Services that are effectively charged on a user fee basis include water and sewer services, garbage collection, building permits, and the sale of other goods and services such as recreation and cemetery services. Village Council and Staff support the value of user fees that are relative to the cost of the service to avoid the service being subsidized by taxation.

**Objective**

Over the next 5 years, the Village of Port Alice will review the proportion of revenue that is received from user fees and charges and increase current levels as required.

**Policies**

The Village will annually review all user fee levels to ensure they are adequately meeting the delivery costs of service.

Where possible, the Village will endeavor to supplement revenues from user fees and charges, rather than taxation, to lessen the burden on its limited property tax base.

**Table 1: 2026 Sources of Revenue**

<b>Revenue Source</b>	<b>Revenue: Percentages of Total Budget</b>	<b>Dollar Value</b>
Taxation	23%	\$871,500.00
Fees, Charges & Other Revenue	17%	\$654,000.00
Government Grants	15%	\$590,000.00
Approp. from Surplus & Deferred Rev.	45%	\$1,701,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$3,816,500.00</b>

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE  
BYLAW NO. 702, 2026**

**Schedule B Continued**

**Distribution of Property Tax Rates**

Table 2 outlines the distribution of property taxes among the property classes. Historically the major industrial property class provided the largest proportion of property tax revenue. This was appropriate as this class formed the largest portion of the assessment base and was the main reason for the existence of the community. BC Assessment changed the Class of the Major Industrial property to Business in 2020 and significantly reduced the value.

**Objectives**

The Village Council continues to work with all levels of government and local business to attract additional economic opportunities.

The Village also recognizes the need to maintain the property tax rate for business (class 6) at a low rate.

**Policies**

Supplement, where possible, revenues from user fees and charges to help offset the tax burden on all property classes.

Council will continue to maintain and encourage economic development initiatives designed to attract more retail and commercial business to invest in the community. New business investments will help offset revenue dependency on all taxpayers by providing a broader tax base.

Align the distribution of tax rates among the property classes with the social and economic goals of the community, particularly to encourage a range of employment opportunities

Regularly review and compare the Village’s distribution of tax burden relative to other BC municipalities.

**Table 2: 2026 Distribution of Property Tax Rates  
Based on Preliminary Values**

<b>Property Class</b>			<b>Percentage of Total Property Taxation</b>	<b>2025 Dollar Value</b>
Residential ( 1)			81.33%	\$691,280.65
Utilities (2)			7.2%	\$60,971.55
Major Industrial (4)			0.00%	\$0.00
Light Industrial (5)			2.47%	\$21,005.09
Business (6)			7.21%	\$61,246.57
Managed Forest (7)			1.82%	\$15,444.14
Recreation (8)			0.006%	\$52.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>100%</b>	<b>\$850,000.00</b>

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE  
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**Schedule B Continued**

**Permissive Tax Exemptions**

The Village of Port Alice Council reviews all existing permissive tax exemption bylaws on an annual basis. Council bases their consideration on the following criteria:

The tax exemption must demonstrate benefit to the community and residents of Port Alice by enhancing the quality of life (economically, socially and culturally) within the community.

The goals, policies and principles of the organization receiving the exemption must not be inconsistent or in conflict with those of the Village of Port Alice.

The organization receiving the exemption must be a registered non-profit society, as the support of the municipality will not be used for commercial or private gain.

Permissive tax exemptions will be considered in conjunction with: (a) other assistance being provided by the Village; (b) the potential demands for Village services or infrastructure arising from the property; and (c) the amount of revenue that the Village will lose if the exemption is granted.

**Objective**

The Village of Port Alice will continue to provide permissive tax exemptions to non-profit societies that contribute social, economic and cultural benefits to the community.

**Policies**

Council will continue working with all the non-profit societies for the betterment of the Community.

Reviewed and adopted by Council on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

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Mayor

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Chief Administrative Officer

# INFO ITEMS





**CITY OF  
PRINCE GEORGE**

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

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Local Governments in  
British Columbia

Transmitted via email

February 25, 2026

**RE: City of Prince George requesting signatures in its petition to the Minister of Justice and the Attorney General of Canada**

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the City of Prince George, I am writing to ask for your support in signing our petition to the Minister of Justice and the Attorney General of Canada.

Prince George continues to advocate for stronger public safety measures, an issue currently affecting municipalities across the country. This petition offers all British Columbians a meaningful way to participate and demonstrate to the federal government the importance of a collective voice in working together to find solutions.

The petition calls upon the federal government to:

- Amend the Criminal Code of Canada to strengthen bail requirements for prolific and non-violent offenders to include provisions for repeat offences to lead to:
  - automatic detention,
  - release to be dependent on reverse onus, and/or
  - demonstration of the Principle of Respect for the Law
- Appoint more judges, crown prosecutors and paralegals to end court backlogs
- Provide funding and resources for Crown Counsel to increase capacity and decrease delays in preparing and bringing cases to court in a timely manner
- Provide funding and resources to provincial correctional centres and support services to increase capacity for detention of individuals, as well as providing rehabilitation and release planning services

We encourage you to share our petition within your communities.

The [petition](#) is available on the House of Commons website until March 27, 2026 at 12:25 p.m. PST.

Respectfully,

Simon Yu  
Mayor  
City of Prince George

