

Chief Administrative Officer

Period Ending November 12, 2024

What I've been working on...

- Working on the Secweperc Landmarks Project with The Shuswap Trail Alliance, Members of the Secweperc Community and our Community Services team.
- Extensive participation in the Rail Trail Project. This included meeting with our partners and stakeholder communities. The project is proceeding with both the CSRD and NORD completing sections of the trail in Sicamous, Enderby and Armstrong with the support of already approved Active Transportation Grants.
- The First Nation Engagement project. This project, funded by Municipal Affairs, has built on the work undertaken during the Sorrento/Blind Bay incorporation study. Currently working, with Clearview Consulting, on a Community-to-Community Meeting funding application which will be coming to the Board.
- Working with the Staff Team on the Shuswap Tourism/Economic Development discussions. Currently planning for the initial meeting of the Select Committee to discuss the matter and make recommendations to the Board.
- Meeting with the Bruhn Bridge Project team to discuss the projects and the connection to the Rail Trail.
- Assisted in the preparation for upcoming staff and board training.
- Supported the Community Services department in planning for the future of the Sicamous Arena. We are working towards presentation of options to the participants (Electoral Area E and the District of Sicamous), and ultimately the Board.
- Participating as required in planning for the 2025 2029 Financial and Workplan development.
- Attended a community meeting with Chair Flynn and Director Trumbley to discuss concerns with dangerous dogs and animal control in Silver Creek.
- Working with the Management Team on refining and clarifying internal and external communication protocols.
- Discussions with the City of Revelstoke, Town of Golden and District of Sicamous on various joint initiatives or services. We have less formal service interactions with the City of Salmon Arm.
- Working with Directors on initiatives or projects that are of interest. Mapping out how to move forward with the appropriate interaction and approval of the Board.

What have I been attending...

- Together, with most of the Board, I attended the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention in Vancouver. Attended and supported meetings with the Ministers of Water, Lands and Resource Stewardship, Environment and Emergency Management and Climate Readiness. Attended a pre-conference session on relationship building with First Nations.
- Together, with Chair Flynn and Vice Chair Melnychuk, I attended a joint meeting with Skwlāx te Secwepemcúlecw, Adams Lake, Neskonlith, and Splatsin First Nations.
- Attended a meeting of the North Shuswap Chamber of Commerce with Director Simpson.
- Attended and presented at the Municipal Administration Training Institute (MATI) Leadership Program in Parksville, BC.
- Attended and supported a meeting of the participants in the Rail Trail Roundtable in Armstrong.
- Attended Respect in the Workplace training with the Staff Team and the Board.

What's coming up...

- Going into a quieter period in terms of conventions and the like.
- There are upcoming meetings of the Shuswap Emergency Program Executive Committee, Electoral Area Directors and Hospital District.

What am I keeping an eye on...

- Situational awareness around matching service expectations with resource availability.
- Bruhn Bridge redevelopment.
- Provincial Government Cabinet announcements (November 18 apparently).

Respectfully submitted,

John M. MacLean, CAO November 13, 2024