



AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
to be held in the Council Chamber at the Village Office, 826 Okanagan Avenue, and via Zoom
on March 26, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone:

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Dial: 1-778-907-2071

Meeting ID: 894 3907 4931

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution:

“THAT the agenda of the March 26, 2024 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.”

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting

Pages 1-4

Resolution:

“THAT the minutes of the March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.”

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

This opportunity is for members of the gallery to provide input on items on this Agenda

6. DELEGATIONS

None

7. REPORTS

a) Mayor and Council Reports

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Budget Feedback Results

Pages 5-22

Recommendation:

“THAT the results of the 2024 budget feedback survey be received as information.”

8.2 Letter from UBCM – Provincial Response to 2023 Resolutions

Pages 23-24

Recommendation:

“THAT the letter from UBCM regarding the provincial government’s response to Council resolutions from 2023 be received as information.”

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Council's Media Highlights

Council to decide whether it wishes to have Council decisions stated in the media highlights or individual Councillor names to be noted if not in favour.

9.2 Request for Extraordinary Grant-in-Aid – Chase Legion

Pages 25-29

Memo from the CAO

Recommendation:

“THAT Council grant \$400 to the Chase Legion Branch 107 to assist with costs associated with the cribbage team’s participation in the 2024 Provincial Legion Cribbage Tournament.”

9.3 Letter from BC Interior Community Foundation – Chase

Pages 30-31

Recommendation:

“THAT the letter from the BC Interior Community Foundation regarding the Chase Community Smart and Caring Fund be received as information.”

9.4 Letter from the Village of Pouce Coupe – Council Resolution

Pages 32-33

Local Consultation for Provincial Impacts to Resource Sector Jobs

Recommendation:

“THAT Council provide support to the Village of Pouce Coupe resolution regarding local consultation for provincial impacts to resource sector jobs.”

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON MUNICIPAL MATTERS

This opportunity is for members of the gallery to provide input on any municipal matter.

11. IN CAMERA

None

12. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution:

“THAT the March 26, 2024 Regular Meeting be adjourned.”



MINUTES

of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
held in the Council Chamber at the Village office at 826 Okanagan Avenue
on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor David Lepsoe
Councillor Colin Connett
Councillor Jane Herman
Councillor Dan Stevens
Councillor Fred Torbohm

In Attendance: Joni Heinrich, Chief Administrative Officer
Sean O’Flaherty, Director of Corporate Operations
Deb Lovin, Chief Financial Officer
Mike Baker, Manager of Public Works
Mike McLean, Deputy Corporate Officer

Public Participants: 15 in-person, 6 virtual

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lepsoe called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

Mayor Lepsoe has proclaimed March 26, 2024 as Purple Day in the Village of Chase to raise Epilepsy awareness.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Herman
Seconded by Councillor Connett

“THAT the agenda of the March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting be adopted as amended to include the TNRD as a delegation to update Council on the Mandatory Recyclable Materials Bylaw.”

CARRIED
#2024/03/12_001

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the February 26, 2024 Special Meeting

Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Stevens

“THAT the minutes of the February 26, 2024 Special Meeting be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED
#2024/03/12_002

3.2 Minutes of the February 27, 2024 Regular Meeting

Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Stevens

“THAT the minutes of the February 27, 2024 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED
#2024/03/12_003

3.3 Minutes of the March 4, 2024 Special Meeting

Moved by Councillor Stevens

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT the minutes of the March 4, 2024 Special Meeting be adopted as presented.”

**CARRIED
#2024/03/12_004**

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

Zilly Palamar of 141 Shuswap Avenue read out a statement regarding taxation and ideas to reduce Village’s costs.

Jean Holt of 235 Willow Street addressed Council regarding recent water rate increases.

6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 TNRD – Mandatory Recycling Bylaw

Representatives from the Thompson-Nicola Regional District (TNRD) addressed Council regarding amendments to Mandatory Recycling Material Bylaw No. 2743, which expands the list of mandatory recyclables. Adrianna Mailloux, Manager of Solid Waste and Recycling, and Jamie Vieira, Operations Manager of the Thompson Nicola Regional District presented information on items that are now restricted from being placed into the garbage. The TNRD’s goal is to reduce the amount of waste going to landfills in the region to 500 kg per person per year by 2028. Items that cannot be placed in the garbage containers but can be taken to the TNRD Eco Depots including the one at Pritchard include antifreeze and their containers, gasoline and diesel, pharmaceutical products and residential pesticide products.

7. REPORTS

Mayor Lepsoe

February 26 – Special meeting of Council

February 27 – Regular meeting of Council

March 2 – Received notification of Chase Creek Canyon fire, attended scene along with Chase Fire Department

March 3 – Willson Park Learning Garden planning meeting

March 4 – Attended Special meeting of Council

March 4 – Spoke with Interior Health regarding medical services in Chase

March 6 – Attended Budget Open House

March 7 – TNRD Regular Meeting

Councillor Connett

February 27 – Regular meeting of Council

March 6 – Attended Budget Open House

March 7 – Attended Climate Action Committee meeting

Councillor Herman

February 27 – Regular meeting of Council

February 28 – SILGA Forest and Wildfire Management Webinar

February 29 – Met with representative from Chase Health Services Foundation regarding printing packages for seniors

March 2 – Participated in the bowling tournament with firefighters

March 3 – Attended meeting about forest garden
March 4 – Special meeting of Council
March 6 – Attended Budget Open House
March 7 – Attended Climate Action Committee meeting
March 12 – Team meeting with Interior Health

Councillor Stevens

February 28 – Reviewed the recording of the February 27 Regular meeting of Council
March 2 – Continuous engagement with concerned citizens regarding the Chase Creek Canyon fire
March 2 – Chase Fire Fighters Association Bowling fundraiser
March 5 – Completed lateral kindness and lateral violence training
March 5 – WCB webinar on workplace hazards
March 6 – Budget Open House
March 7 – Met with a group of concerned citizens regarding fire response
March 10 – Met with a group of concerned citizens regarding bylaw infractions
Answered and received numerous emails and phone calls, consulted with administration and recently started a literature review on local level impacts and demographic shifting in rural Canadian communities since 2021

Councillor Torbohm

February 27 – Regular meeting of Council
February 28 – SILGA Forest and Wildfire Management Webinar
March 2 – Attended fundraising event for Chase Firefighters Association
March 4 – Special meeting of Council
March 6 – Attended Budget Open House
Ongoing review of agenda, monitoring emails, answering questions from local residents, and consulted with staff as required.

Moved by Councillor Herman
Seconded by Councillor Stevens

“THAT the reports from Council and staff members be received for information.”

CARRIED
#2024/03/12_005

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 2024 Operational & Capital Budgets

Report from the Chief Financial Officer

The Chief Financial Officer provided a overview of the operational budget, including details about the proposed five-year financial plan, operations summary, tax rate comparison, and water, sewer and solid waste funds.

9.2 CAO Report – Arena Partnering Agreement renewal

Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Herman

“THAT the partnering agreement between the Village of Chase and the Chase and District Recreation Centre Society be renewed beginning April 1, 2024 for a 3 year term with:

- **A contribution from the Village of \$157,500 in 2024**
- **A 3% increase in each of the next two years**
- **The provision of a \$25,000 contingency for emergency repairs to major equipment**
- **Budgeting annually by the Village in consultation with the Society to ensure major components of the facility can be replaced as needed**
- **The completion of a facility condition assessment by the Village.”**

CARRIED

**RECORDED AS OPPOSED: Councillor Connett
#2024/03/12_005**

9.3 Request of Additional Handicap Parking Stall – Creekside Seniors Centre

Moved by Councillor Stevens
Seconded by Councillor Connett

“THAT That Council direct staff to install a handicap parking stall on the South side of the access to 542 Shuswap Avenue, to be funded from the 2024 Public Works line painting budget.”

CARRIED

#2024/03/12_006

9.4 BC Farmers’ Markets – Nutrition Coupon Program in Chase

Moved by Councillor Herman
Seconded by Councillor Connett

“THAT a letter be sent to the BC Minister of Health, Honourable Adrian Dix to support and expand the BC Farmers’ Market Nutrition Coupon Program which provides local healthy food to those in need and supports local area food producers.”

CARRIED

#2024/03/12_007

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

11. IN CAMERA

None

12. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Connett
Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT the March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting be adjourned.”

CARRIED

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The meeting concluded at 5:48 p.m.

David Lepsoe, Mayor

Sean O’Flaherty, Corporate Officer

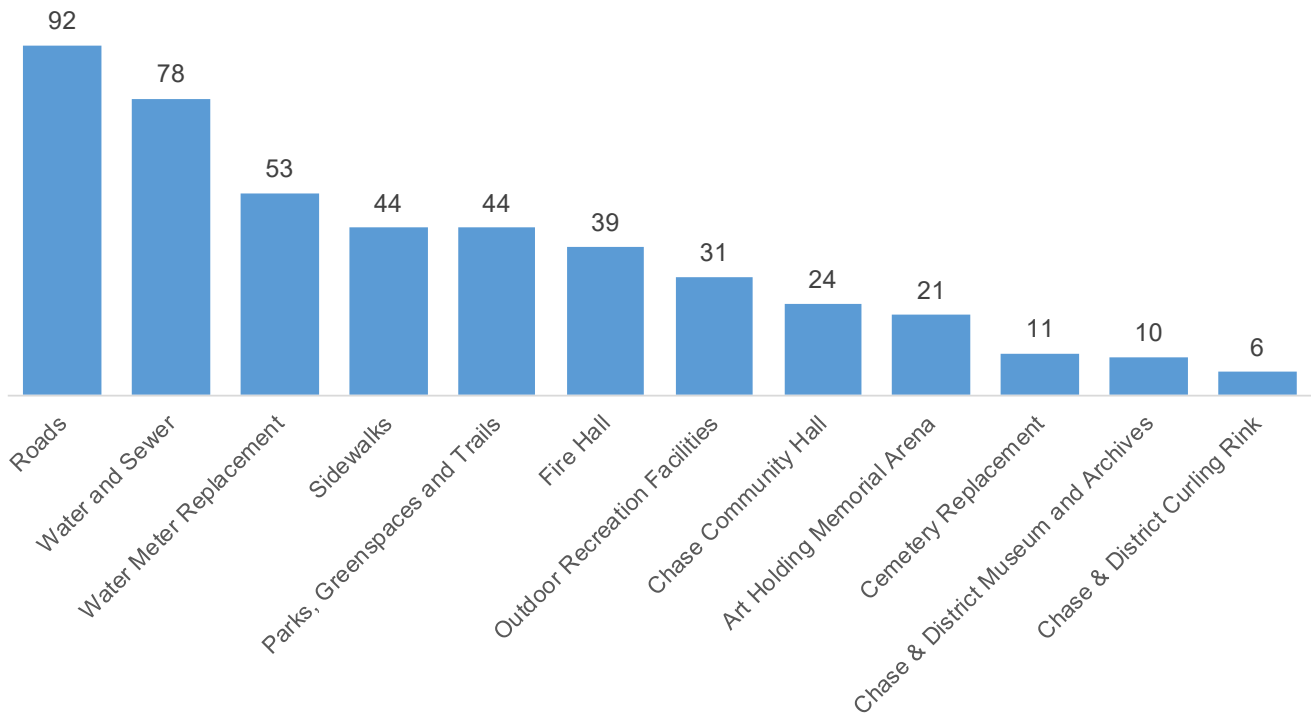


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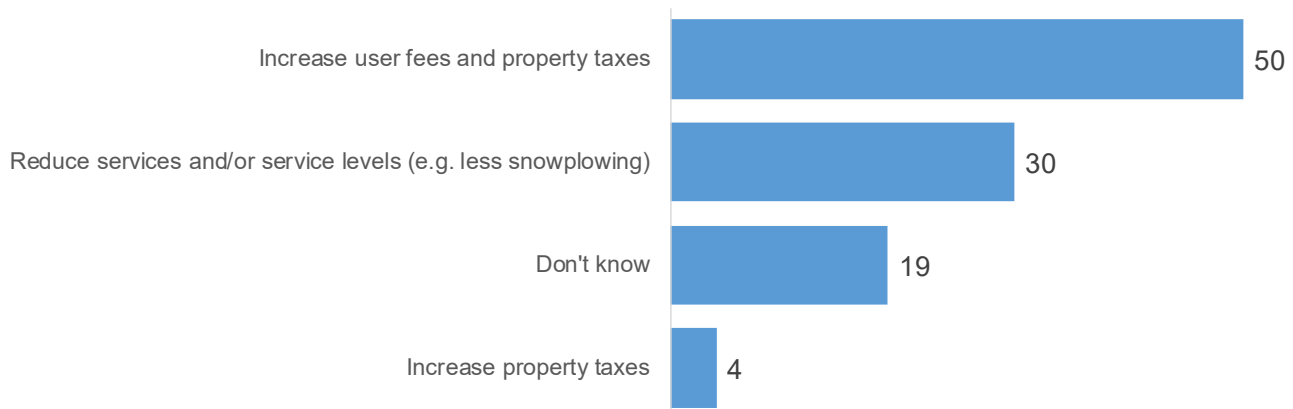
2024 Budget Feedback Form Results

The budget feedback survey was open from March 6 to March 20 and received a total of 109 responses to 28 short-form questions and 3 open-ended questions.

Indicate five categories of infrastructure that you think should be the Village's highest priorities for investment:

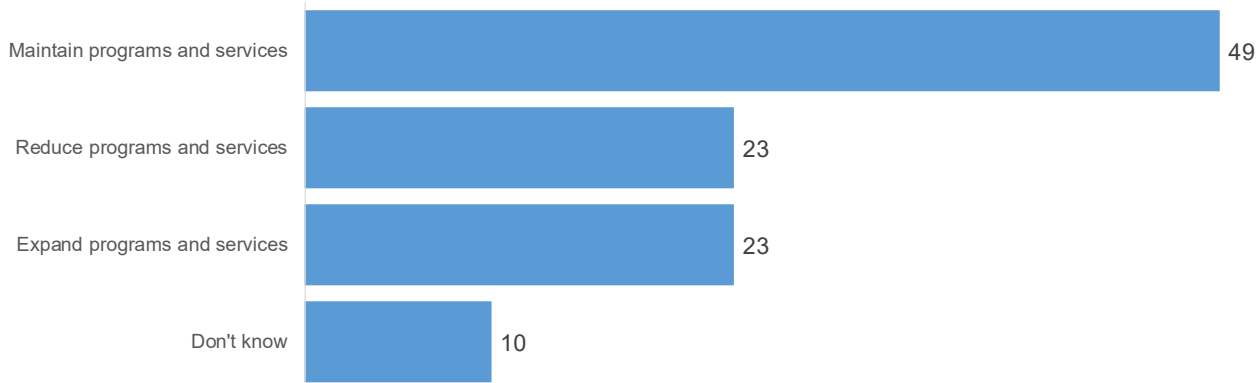


Since the Village is required to balance its budget, how should programs and services be funded?



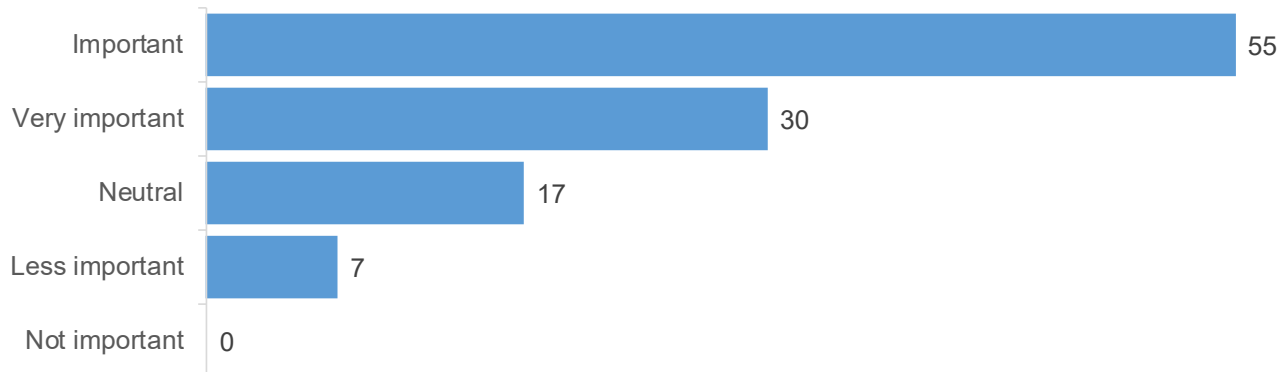


In order to balance the budget while maintaining services and addressing new and growing priorities, the Village will consider a combination of funding options. Should the Village expand, maintain, or reduce the programs and services that it offers?

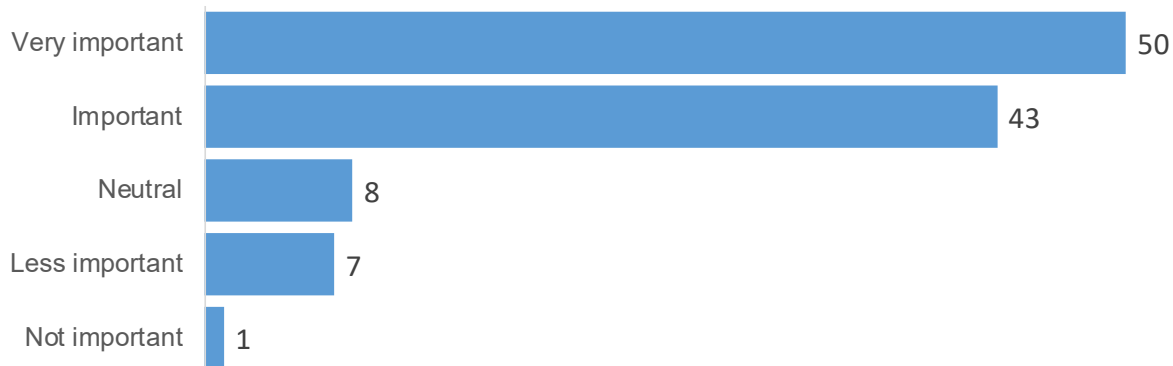


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Streets and Sidewalks



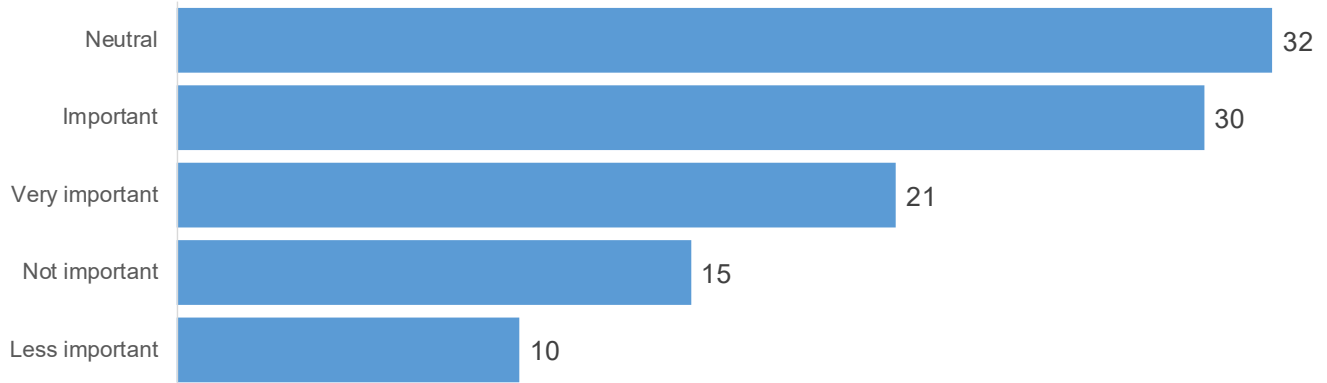
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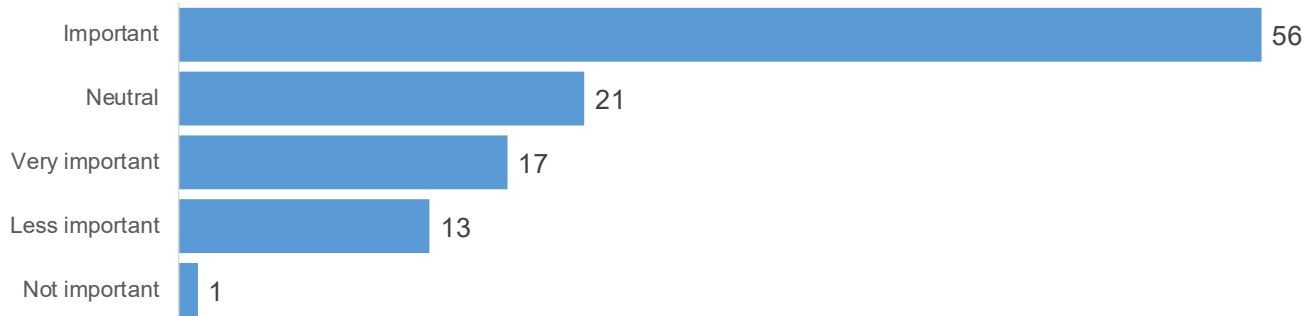


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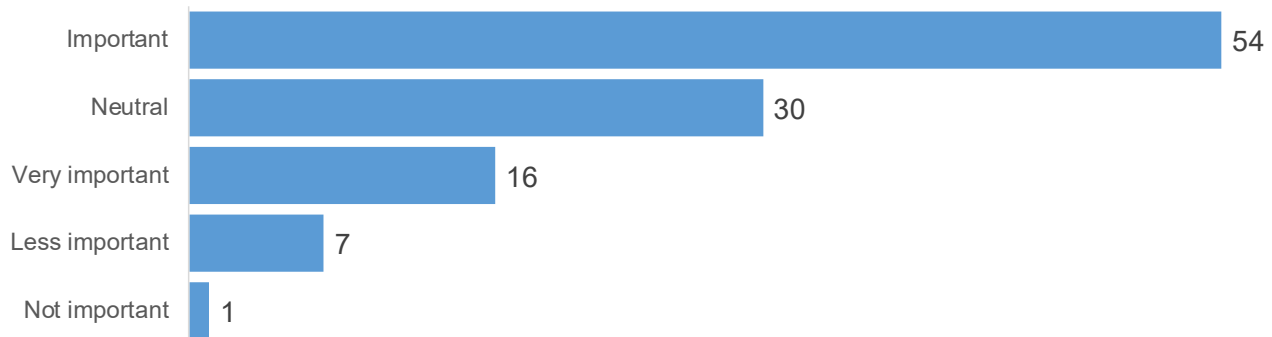
Water Meter Replacement



Snow Clearing and Ice Control



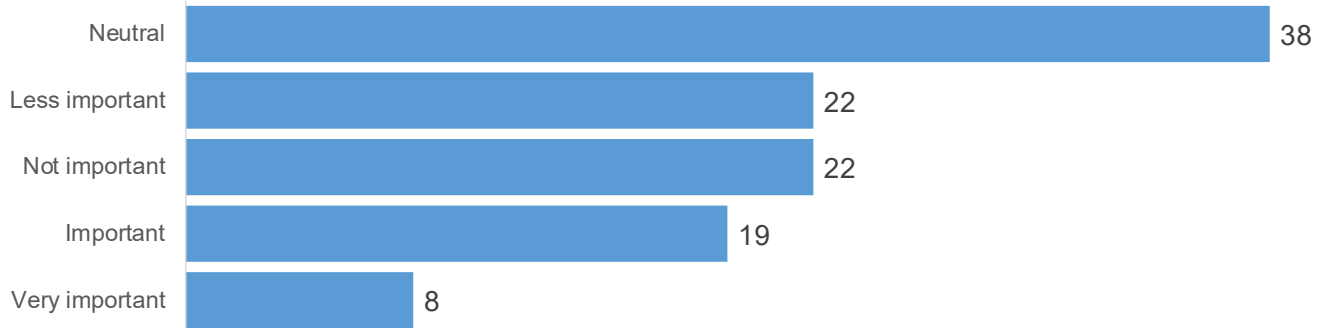
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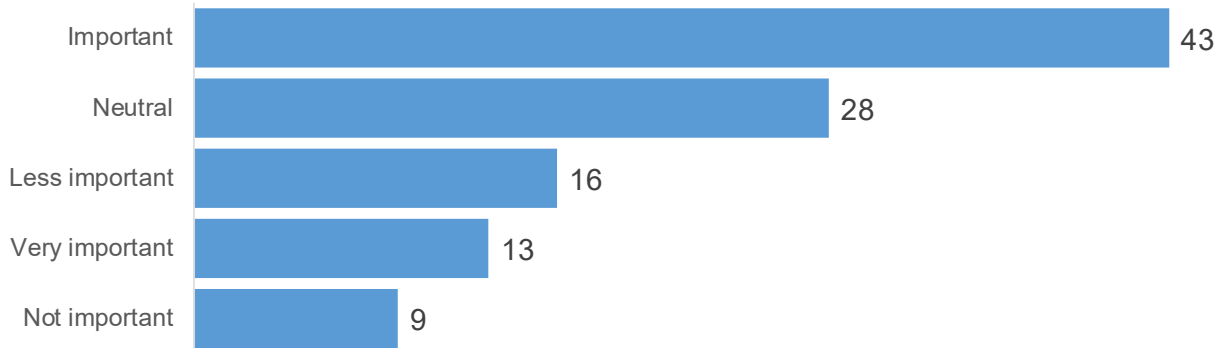


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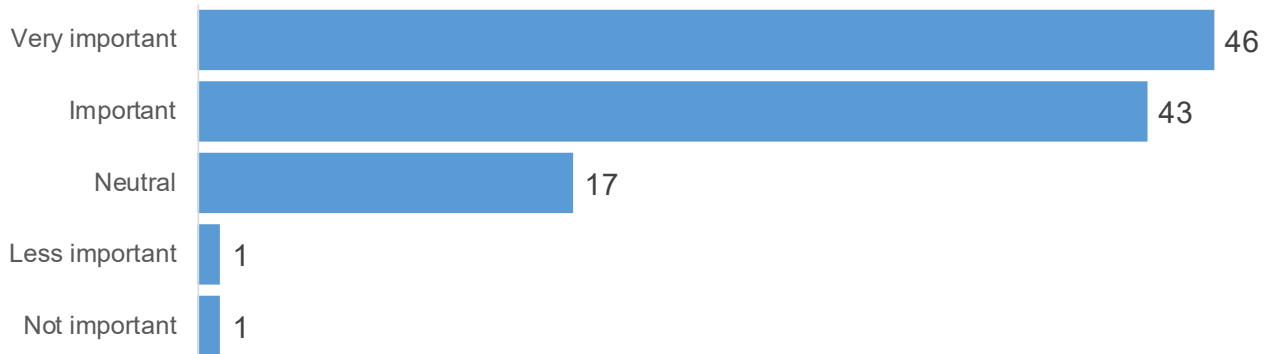
Trails and Multi-Use Pathways



Community Parks



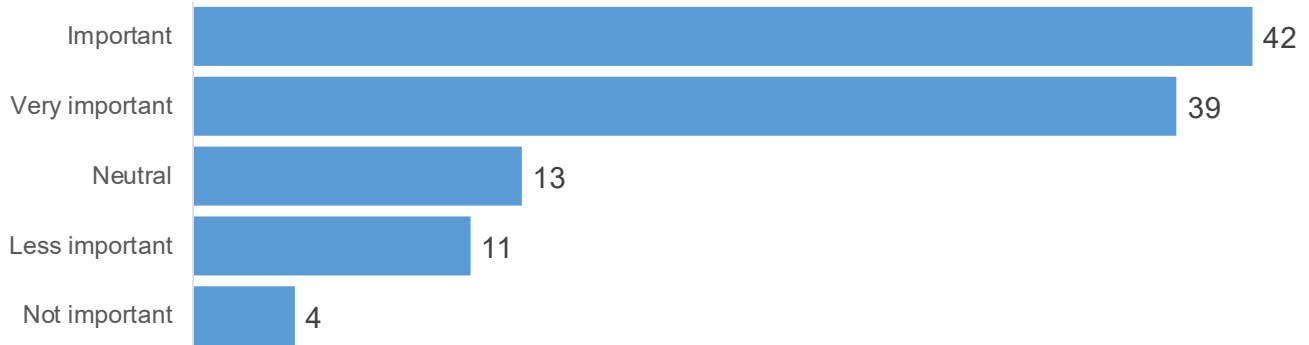
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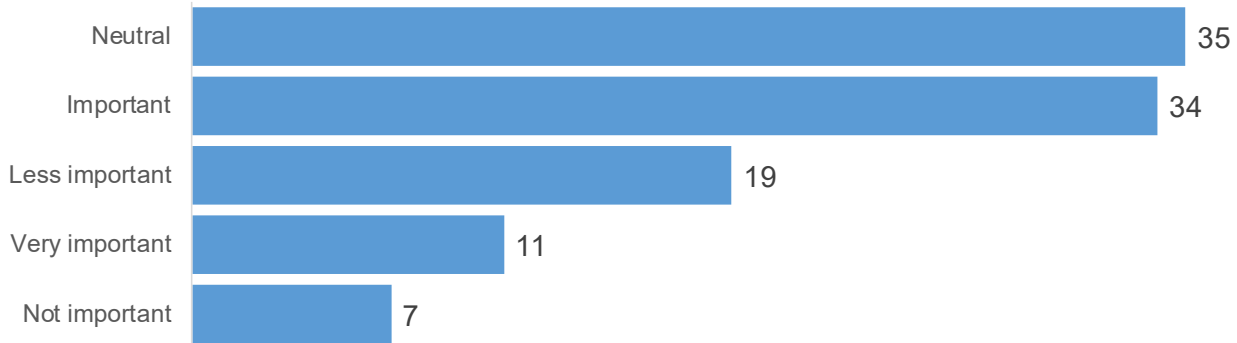


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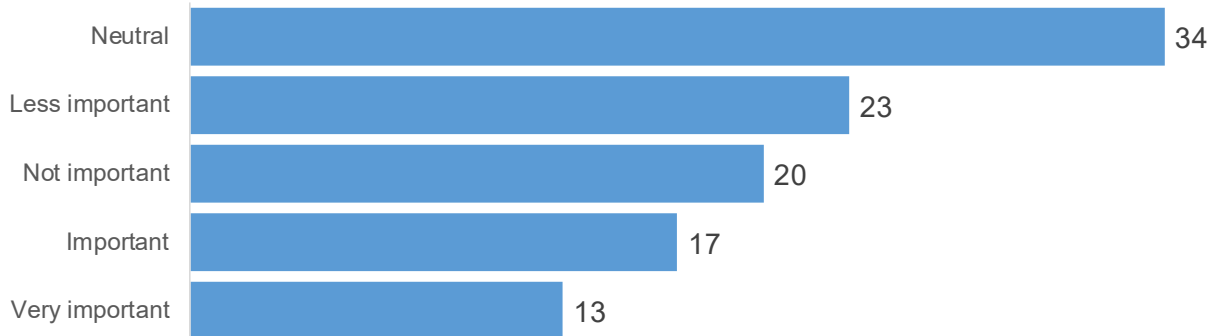
Economic Development and Tourism



Accessibility and Inclusion Initiatives



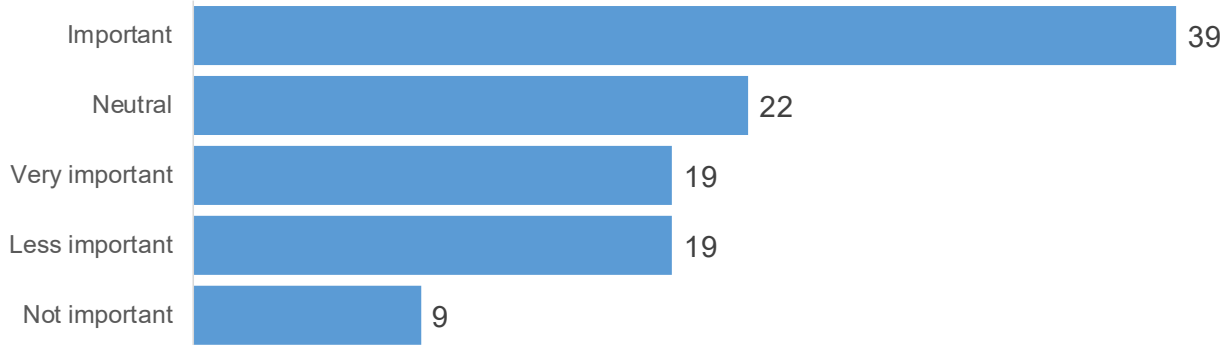
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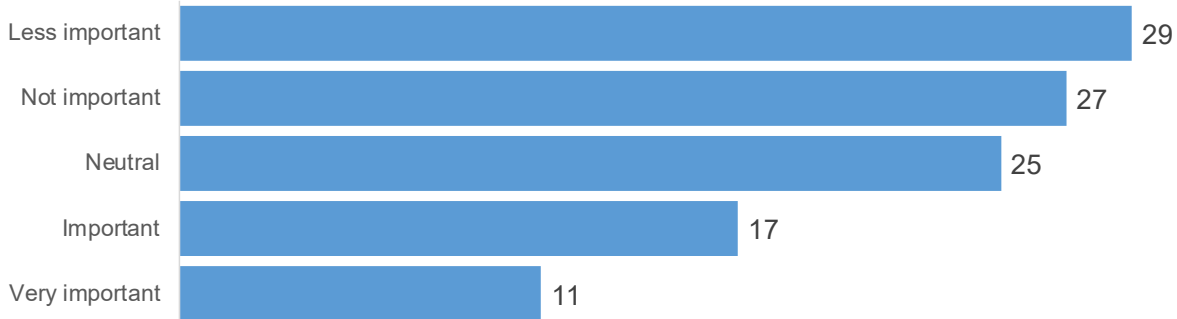


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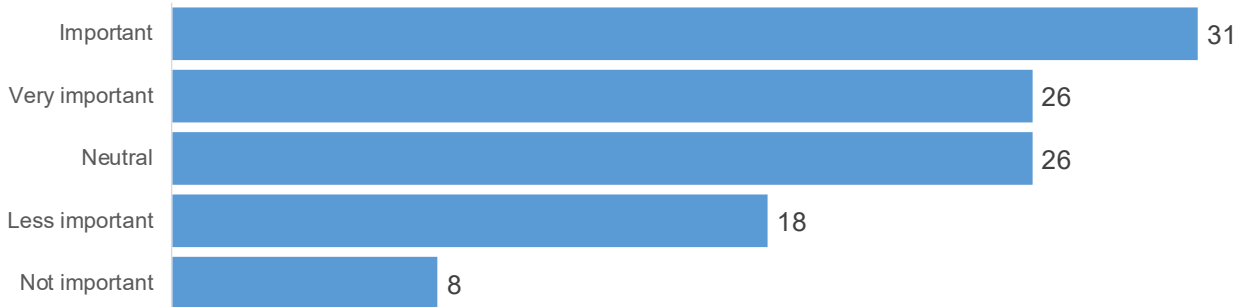
Community Grants and Non-Profit Support Programs



Highway Noise Mitigation



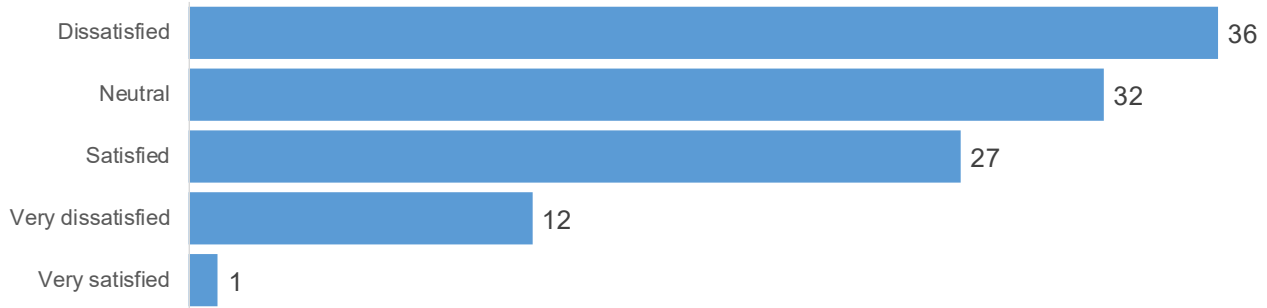
Beaches and Boat Launches



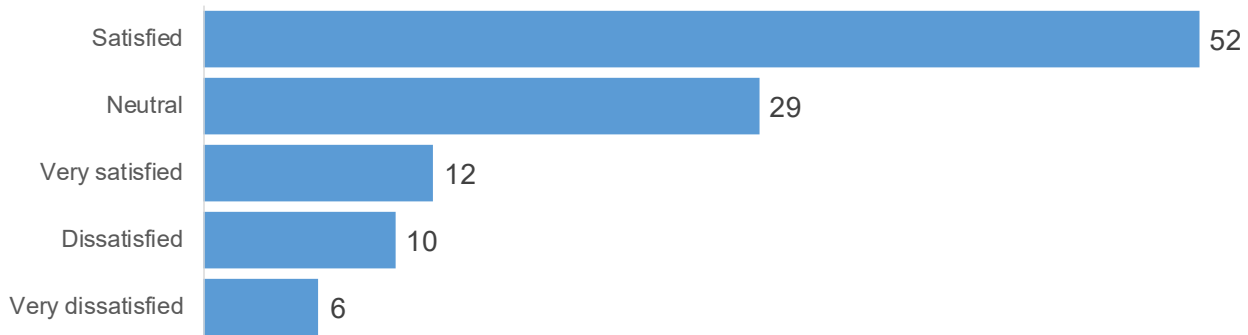


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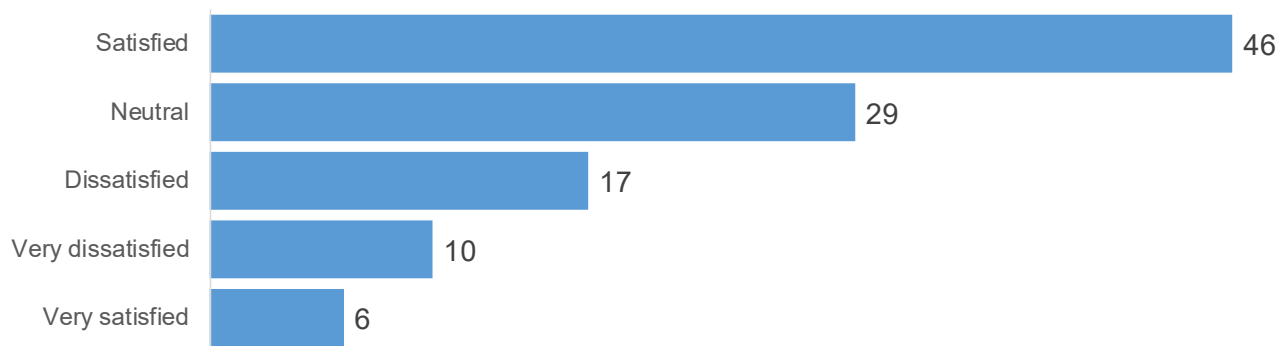
Road and Sidewalk Maintenance and Improvements



Snow Clearing and Ice Control



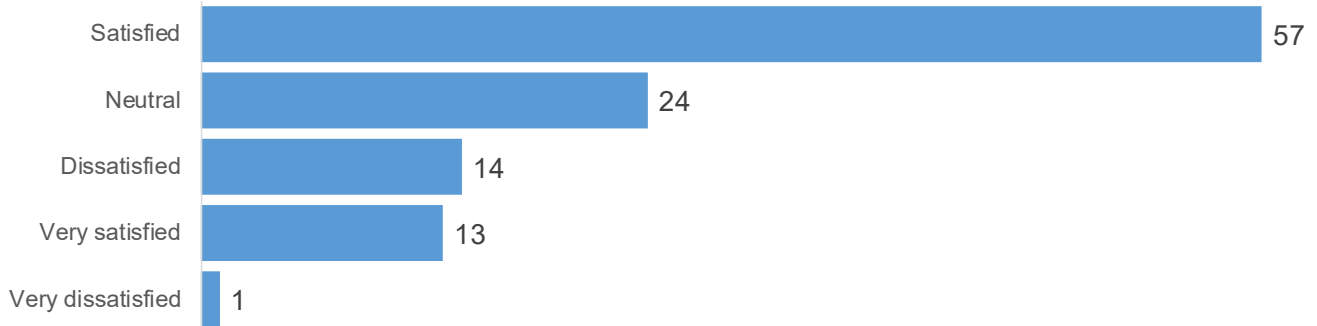
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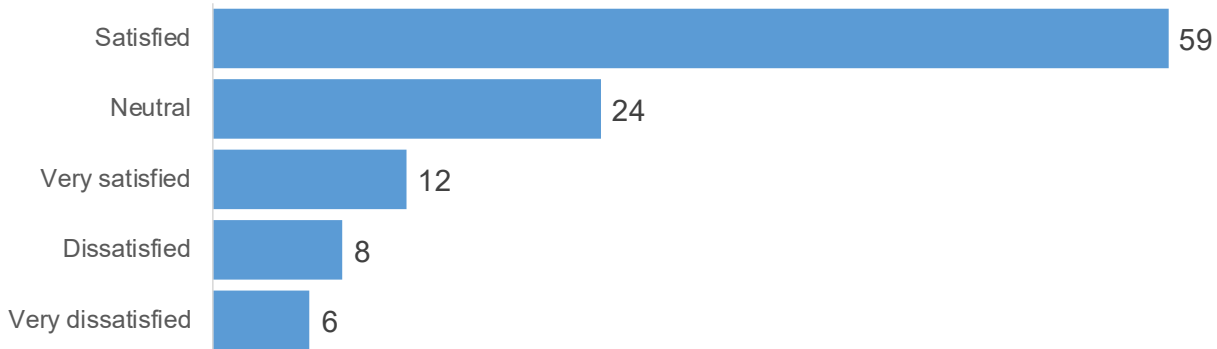


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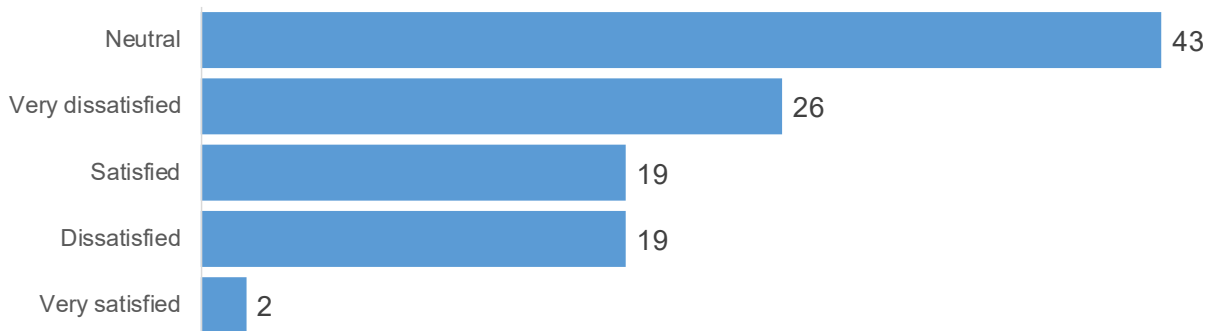
Garbage and Recycling Services



Fire Protection Services



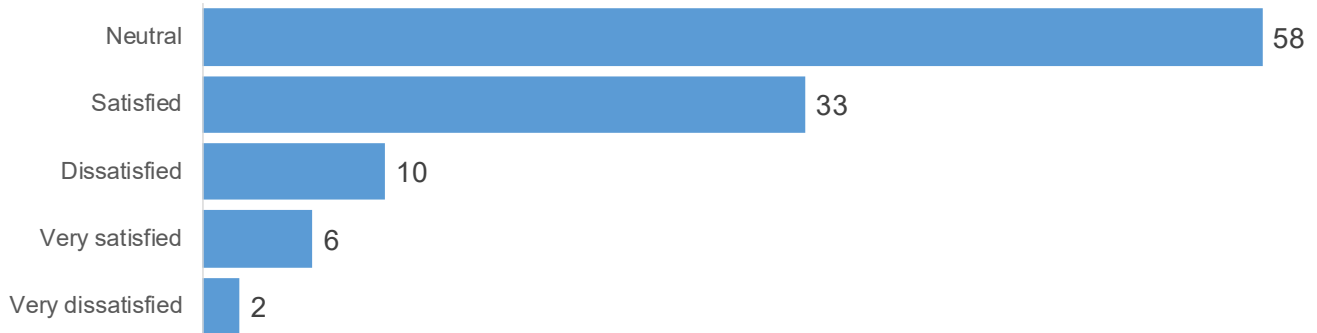
Bylaw Enforcement Services



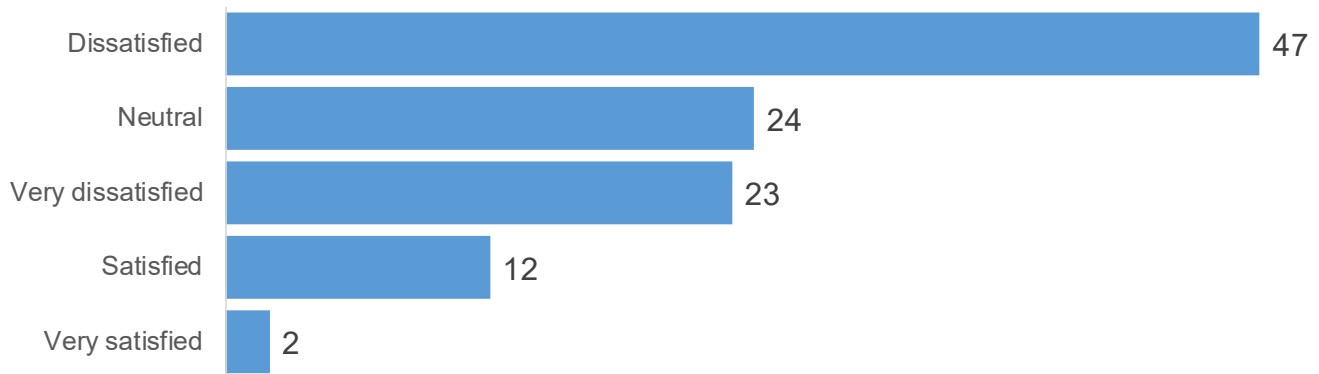


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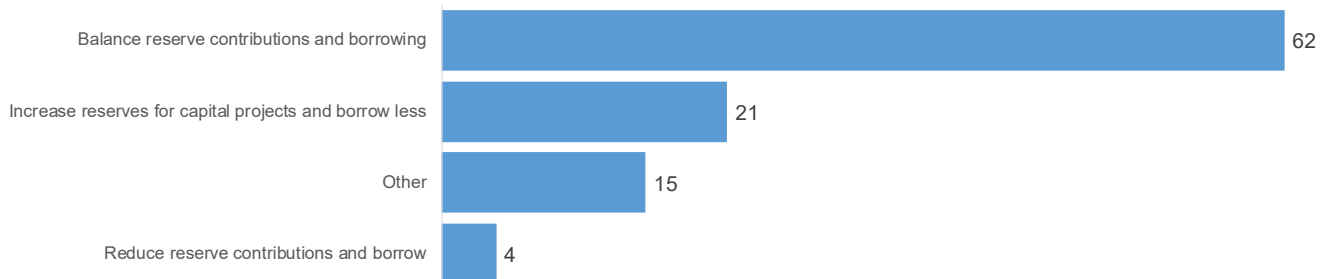
Recreation Programs and Services



Communications and Engagement

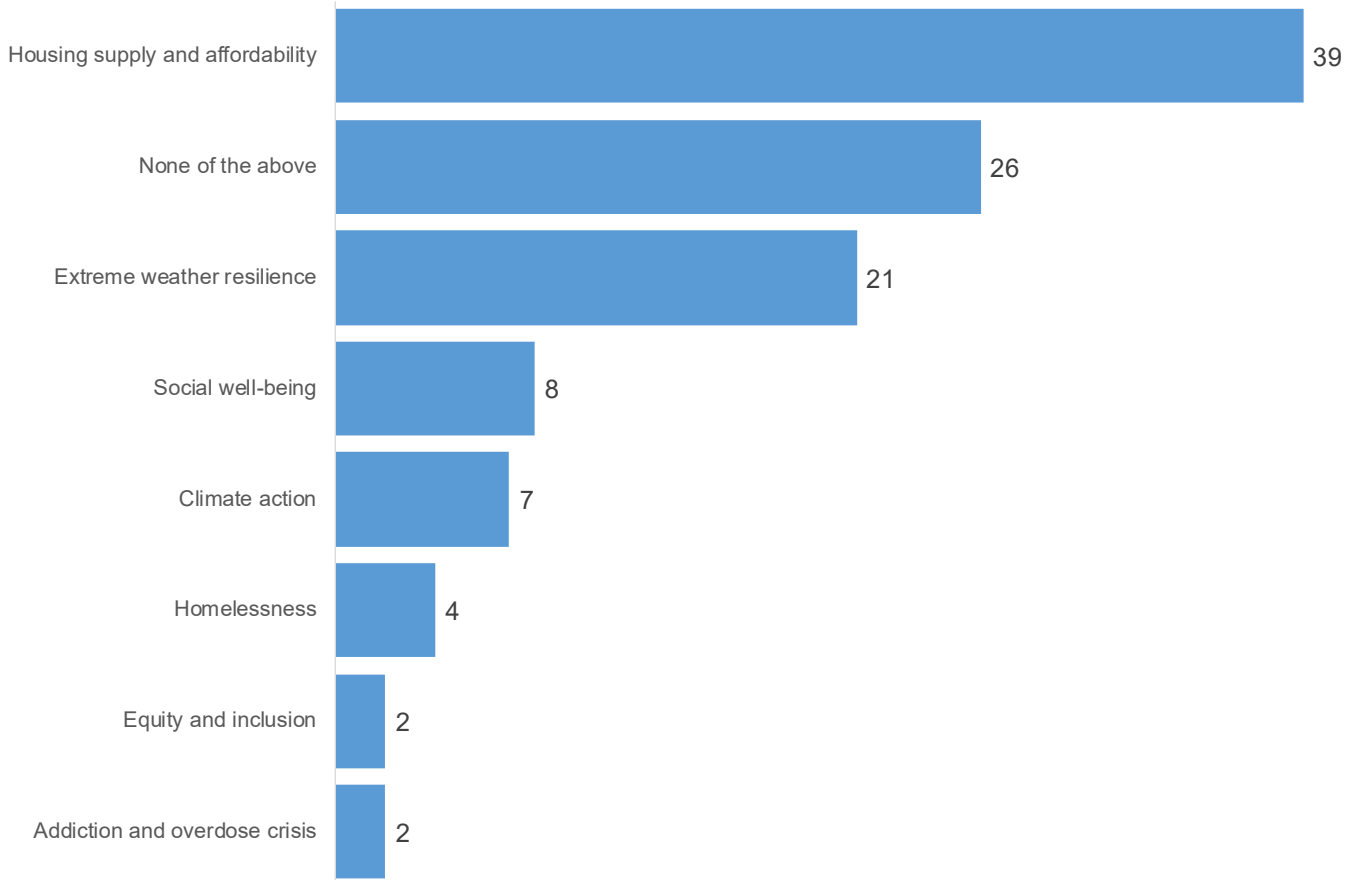


Please tell us what is most important to you with the Village's financial planning:

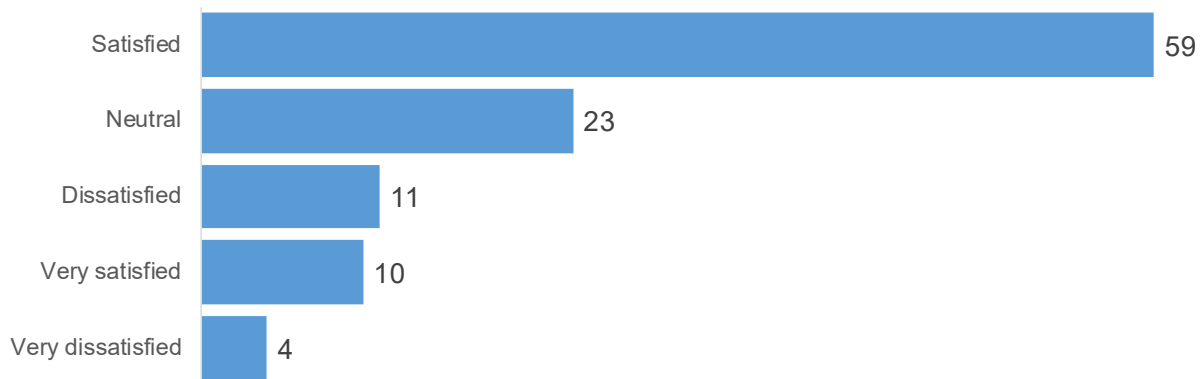




The Village is responding to new growing community priorities. In what areas would you like to see more investment?



Please rate your overall satisfaction with the quality of life in Chase?





Village of Chase

2024 Budget Feedback Form Results

Please tell us what you like MOST about living in Chase?

Small town

Chase quiet close to nature

It's a fine small village atmosphere.

Parks

Very friendly people. A great place to walk. Great community involvement.

I love the quietness in the neighborhood and the small community. I would love everyone to be treated with respect.

It has kept its small town feel

Small friendly community

The quiet

Its clean

The People are friendly. Business Owners are friendly

Cut the fat- getting way to expensive to live in this village

The neighbors and countryside

Kid's sports programming and nonprofits are great.

Small town living

I like the courteous manner of residents when out walking on village streets. Everyone slows down and moves over. I also like the downtown core because it is a daily gathering place. Allowing a Timmy's or McDonalds will gut the downtown and make us solely a bedroom community.

Walkability

I love the slow pace of Life here, we moved here in 2022. The quiet is awesome, we can safely walk every day. It had been our long term plan to retire here, and now we are here full time after enjoying many summers and holidays here. We enjoy the access to recreation, the neighbors are friendly, kind and helpful. Being close to family is very important, another reason we moved here. Still have access to larger centers if needed, such as Salmon Arm and Kamloops. Going out to purchase eggs from a local farm. Growing a garden. The beauty all around in the mountains and the lake. Music in the Park in the Summer, love the community feeling.

Size, people, drs, clinic, lake, river, recreation, walkable, golf cart program, convenience, accessible to larger centres...pretty much everything.

The small town, with basic services available. The lake is the main attraction.

Quiet, friendly, rural location.

Friendly and quiet. Chase has enough shopping and services as well as areas for walking.

Not a lot of traffic and can walk pretty much everywhere in Chase. Love Memorial Park, the beach lake and pier, and the river.

The walkability of the village

The small-town lifestyle and friendly citizens.

Small town

It is not a big urban center.

The people here are friendly and caring.

The cost of housing vs. Kamloops, safety and proximity to the lake.

Close proximity to the lake

Small town atmosphere

The lake and community vines

Its s small community

Location.

Medical amenities, golf course and stores offered

Having access to the lake, parks, and other outdoor amenities.

Small town environment and proximity to outdoor activities

I love the community, great people

I like a "small town" feel. I like the fact you can walk down the street and people will say "hello" and smile or just smile as you pass each other on the street. I like walking into a store where the staff have a repour with their customers, and the pharmacist knows my name. We have a top rate pharmacy and medical teams that are also top rate. We have amenities such as a lovely park and beach, at our doorstep. Hiking trails and X-country ski trails are at the backdoor. We have a local hockey team and hockey activity. We have active service clubs that provide social entertainment. AND we have a bowling alley.

The people and local businesses

It's a small quiet town which is very nice.

Weather and location

Close to kamloops and more affordable housing

Wonderful people, wonderful pace to life & (used to be) clean air.

Beautiful scenery and location.

The stars at night

small town

Affordability and proximity to recreational activities

Very walkable. Easy access to creek, lake, river, waterfall. Great little golf course. Music on the lake and other festival activities, parades and such.

Farmer's market and museum Christmas store.

Small town

I like how friendly everyone is.



Village of Chase

2024 Budget Feedback Form Results

Please tell us what you like MOST about living in Chase?

Size of community and very casual/friendly overall atmosphere

People

Small town.⁹

Small community living

walkability

Friendly people, small town life, living near lake.

Sense of community, affordability, great volunteers

The fact we live & can walk to the lake.

The majority of the people are friendly, and Chase has a few Great local restaurants

Financially afford decent lifestyle and slower pace

It's peaceful and quiet. Snow removal is awesome. Living on the lake!

Has anyone looked at the possibility of building a weir near the bridge to offset the lack of water in August?

Small town feel, quiet and feels relatively safe.

Weather, lake, community spirit,

We have a beautiful lake, love the small community vibe

Quiet and friendly

Small town atmosphere

able to walk most places

That it is my a lake

The parks, lake and people

The people.

Small community walking access (Trails need to be improved and expanded)

Less noise

It's relaxing for the most part

The people, the community feel, the lake, the arena

Surrounding areas of recreation

That this is a village and not a big city.....

Small town living. Less crime and great for raising young children.

Small town living, friendly people

Small town feel

No long line ups to access services. The people are friendly.

I like that we are close to kamloops so I can shop there but live here affordably.

Was beautiful at one time

It was an oasis in an everchanging world.

The community

Lake, River scenery, location.

natural beauty

It close to stores and it beauty

I have lived here for over 20 years. I love the beach, the river, the waterfalls. The community connection. The small town feel, shop uptown are friendly and courteous.

Love the community, where I live is very quiet, lots of recreational activities, love the park at the beach, can be involved if you want to!

potential for future

Small community friendly

The residents and many of the business owners. The pace and quality of life. The scenery. The absence of traffic lights.

Very friendly welcoming community. Many activities to enjoy in and around Chase.

"Rural" living compared to Kamloops/Salmon Arm; close to beach; medical facilities & having a doctor & D&T centre; close to Kamloops & Salmon Arm

- Interior Health - not Village of Chase

Every one seems to get along with each other and you don't have to know people to talk to each other and you can always do it tomorrow.



Village of Chase

2024 Budget Feedback Form Results

Please tell us what you like LEAST about living in Chase?

Lack of tax base

Too much money was spent on the arena. Too expensive to buy groceries in Chase.

Homelessness and how stores are leaving high cost of food at a grocery store

Chase is dieing . The completion of the highway will complete it . Chase has no interest is growing or moving ahead. There is nothing to keep younger people want to stay. It is a bedroom community for Kamloops.

Cost of living

Surprise taxes like our tax bill being wrong and collecting an extra \$100. Now doubling of water/sewer rates when we get crappy service. The extra taxes on our property with nothing to show for it. Very poor emergency planning but most of all, a brand new highway and still no train overpass or underpass.

I do not like being treated with disrespect and village employees not getting back to you in regards to the issues. I do not like being treated like an idiot and the disrespect from a few of the staff. Excluding front desk and persons that send out bills. If a complaint has been put in they totally ignore the complaints with no replies.

All the village power lays with only one person, she make all the final decisions with no repercussions and no one to answer to

Amount of criminal activity from the same individuals all the time.

How nothing is done about the drug house. The theft.

cell service is bad, internet is very expensive. Need more walking paths.

Communication between village and citizens needs to improve. Not enough is done to include us

Cost to live here!!

unfair management of assets and mismanagement in past currency

the train crossings

The downtown strip is not appealing. We moved here a little over a year ago and as we came on a house hunting trip our first reaction driving into the town on the Main Street was "yikes." The flowers and signage are nice, it's just unfortunate about business frontage.

High Taxes and Utilities.

Rapidly rising muni taxes. Increases for the past 5 years (not including this year) of 6.9%, 7.3%, 8.3%, 8.8% and 9.6%. It's time for some tax relief.

It's difficult to think of anything for this category. I wish people would be more kind to each other, especially on social media.

The poor cell phone service. This is a must, if this community hopes to attract young families.

a)The cost of Groceries, we travel to Kamloops to do a bulk grocery shop, the savings far surpass the cost of fuel to and from. I would prefer to shop local, however the high prices charged especially at Safety Mart are not justifiable.

b) I'm tired of all the concern the Mayor has over the trails, for instance he needs to be more concerned with putting his efforts to being fair with the Water Charges, it should be by use, not a guess!! Volunteers (frequent users) can look after the trails.

Train whistle, affordable housing, the new construction of the trans Canada through Chase and the craziness of it all.

The drastic increase in assessment and the increase in mill rate. The unfair water charges. Either have a flat rate for all or do not double bill those whose meters are working.

The Village council should be doing something to help recruit Doctors or we will also lose what health care we do have. The Council should be raising concerns with the province as other municipalities are.

The village needs to do some forest fire prevention, example clear out dead trees and fuel within the village and work on a fire guard around the perimeter.

No family doctors available.

My only concern is not enough doctors. Waiting list is far too long for a family doctor. People that choose to move to Chase should not have to travel the Hwy to see a doctor.

Lack of trails, empty business space. The train noise but know Chase can't do anything about that.

Dogs running free in parks and trails

The lack of active communication and messaging on issues of importance. A far greater effort should be made to provide the electorate with information.

Mayor

Expensive taxes and utilities.

I wish there was an indoor pool. I think that would be used by more people than the curling and hockey arenas.

The cost of utilities compared to Kamloops and the fact that the Village does not priority economic development or revenue growth.

How admin runs everything, especially _____

The town is dieing

The administration is a joke, 2 in particular (we all know who they are) are a huge hinderance to our community, until they are reigned in or removed we don't have much hope.

Not enough things for teens in village to do on weeknights/weekends/holidays. Also the water sewer quarterly increase

The downtown area. Example, eye candy takes up the sidewalk like its theirs and bylaw does nothing about it. Their signs and tables are spread over two store fronts Takes away from the store fronts of the other businesses

Crime

Lack of Internet infrastructure. Really need to get on Telus to start running fibre to homes and getting a cell tower installed.

Train horns and internet options and cellular reception

The crime is horrible and nothing is done about it. Dave idea to teach the crackheads to read isn't working. We need to promote business growth to create jobs and tax based



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Please tell us what you like LEAST about living in Chase?

THE EMPTY STORE FRONTS. We do not have a great selection of affordable family clothing or shoes/boots. Stationary and computer supplies are virtually nil. Craft, sewing and art supplies consist of what the Dollar store has to offer. Safety Mart grocery prices are atrocious!! Village Council, but especially administration. All are totally useless.

Lack of businesses in the "downtown" core, we need to attract businesses to set up shop in Chase rather than sit empty for years. If that's offering businesses in surrounding areas a bonus or incentive to come to Chase we need to try something. More movement around town in turn adds to walkability and tourism which lowers crime because there's more eyes around. It also gives locals young and older an opportunity to work in the businesses which helps our economy thrive and also keeps crime down.

Lack of services in Chase are extremely frustrating, appliance repairs, security companies, buying sheets or home supplies etc. Having to pay large sums to get businesses from Kamloops to come out is expensive and limiting to people on fixed incomes.

Yard waste bins - this would be very helpful to people with lack of transportation or smaller vehicles to be able to clean up their yards and spaces. Not everyone is able to 1. load up a truck with yard waste/lawn clippings and 2. afford to drive to the dump. Especially if they are seniors with low mobility.

The lack of communication from the Mayor on major issues and slow response in emergency

Trains and lack of communication....there is no central way to find out what is being offered in the community. Grapevine is always behind to even find out the specials in the restaurants.

The lack of trust with current mayor. His idea to keep town as small as possible and do minimal work. Climate change has brought on more fires in our area and very little effort by village and mayor to do firesmart their yards and properties around us. Dan Steven's has his job cut out for him, on this matter as I see very little support from council.

RCMP seem to be ineffective & indifferent to Community concerns. Increasingly, Spring & Summer are plagued with smoke filled air.

Incredibly poor internet and television service.

Silly virtue signaling by council.

The corruption in the Village Office. I no longer trust the council and definitely not our silent and selfish Mayor. Shotty cell service and internet reliability. Businesses are not welcomed here. Housing is literally being red taped to death.

mayor

Leaving in the past and no regard for future

Lack of medical staff. Please expand our health centre. Blocked from waterfall for way too long.

Crack heads stealing everything. No bylaw enforcing rules

I feel the property taxes are a little on the high side. It also bothers me that the arena is operating at a loss. That the person who runs this is not only PAID to operate the facility but is able to keep the money that they get from rentals/events. I believe the village should be hiring a manager for this, but then collecting the user fees to offset the management costs. It shouldn't be operating at such a large loss.

Main Street visual is poor and unwelcoming; we need to spruce up the store fronts for visitors

Everything closes at 5 pm

Poor planning by village council.

No one has a clue about economic development or even tries to do anything to bring business and opportunities to Chase. A bunch of seniors on council just want to balance a budget and hate change!!

highway noise

The trains are becoming for frequent and seem longer and I fear in an emergency the wait could be fatal.

The pushback from "Old Chase " who don't want anything to happen, change or modernize, especially if it doesn't meet their standards of what's important.

Recently, the horrible increased noise from the new Highway "improvements "

The cost of living, and the fact that groceries are ridiculously high in costs, lack of concerns, and care from The mayor

Crappy internet or media access. No upkeep of hillside street. No enforcement of bylaws backyard fires no permits, yards full of crap and vehicles. Illegal and too many buildings on a lot. 75% area taken up on lot. Never see bylaw officer except visiting buddy across the street. And increased taxing that never produces any change in these areas.

Need a better boat launch that can be used all summer. We desperately need to do some sort of revitalization to our downtown core. Years ago while visiting my parents in Qualicum Beach I found out the Chamber of Commerce received a provincial and federal grants to replaced all the curbs, new pavement, new sidewalks and every store received a facelift on the front. Can we not do the same?

We need to have a better recycling program and include yard waste pickup.

Busy Bodies

Internet services are terrible

High taxes, the priority needs to be the basics first,sewage, water, roads, schools. Then worry about recreation trails, acts. Also we need a better tax base with some type of industry to bring in money. Chase can't rely solely on citizens property taxes because people will move when they get too high,we are almost there now.

How village staff and council forget about the people they represent

drug use/ vandalism / theft

The fact that we have no dept store here...and food here is soo expensive ..I have to travel for most goods and services

Lack of communication and lack of tourism

The abysmal cellular coverage, we need an in-town tower and we need it yesterday. My phone is just for decoration when I don't have wifi calling (ie. if the power is out) in my home. Hopefully I won't need to call 911 during the planned power outage on the 19th. It's unlikely, but does worry me a bit. It didn't occur to me before we moved here that somewhere as central as Chase wouldn't have 21st century cell coverage.



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Please tell us what you like LEAST about living in Chase?

Not enough business variety (Which is linked to do a better job of GROWING the business, industry, and housing)

Lack of cell service /internet service and no bus transit into kamloops

It would be nice if property tax and village bills could just stay the same for like 2 years in a row. Everything is always going up.

Gossip and the crack shack by the skate park and its allowed to exist

Village administration

Lack of stores for things other than food. Lack of restaurants

Lack of childcare options. Politics of businesses Uptown. Lack of rentals.

Stores close early and no swimming pool.

That a lot of the businesses downtown are not open

How long it takes the Village of Chase to move forward on items.

There must be provincial & federal grants available to help small towns but no one at the Village office seems able to access & apply.

Everyone seems to fly by the seat of their pants and never plans for the future.

The way our beautiful little village is being run

It is no more the Oasis. Administration overall with its constant changing of inept personnel has seen quietly creeping in an inability to look forward, learn from mistakes and an inability to stand up to pressure, hence lack of vision and reactions causing future liabilities. Case in point AHMA is eroding with the past happy to pay the mortgage and "running money" Now we have lets have cheap rates for users groups, and spend little or no funds on big items that aren't maintenance. As far as Council goes this one except for the new guy, fares as well as all the rest I have kept track of, bows to Admin, pretends to take the role seriously, has their own pet projects that they wish to ensure are taken care of (and Admin knows) and be damned with the real important stuff, spending 40 plus hours a week researching, talking to people in and out of town, travelling on your own expenses to see what town? does. District Y does etc..... and bringing back brilliant resolutions to all the different things that taxpayers are concerned about..Don't ask for an invite pick up the phone and call . Thank you and we will always hold Chase close to our Hearts !

Water bill should be rolled in with taxes

Highway and commercial traffic, air quality, lack of a pool.

The management of the village

The drugs and lack respect

There needs to be transparency for all citizens of Chase from the Village of Chase. There needs to be more options retail wise. Chase needs a chiropractor who wants to go to Kamloops, Sorrento, salmon arm when they are in dire need. I am not a fan of this town closing up and there's nothing to do especially in fall and winter and early spring months. More options needed

The prices for goods and services going up. I really worked hard to conserve water and now it doesn't matter with the minimum charges. I'm quite perturbed about that, especially.

lack of recognition of the potential of area & preparation for future growth

Ridiculous increase in water. Its ludicrous to bill a property a base rate when its only used 6 months as recreational. Also ludicrous to bill a single person same as family for water consumption. If council knew of deficit for as long as they say its not the resident's fault and should not have to pay for bad management

Being in constant danger of losing our village and homes to fire most of the year. Lack of fire preparedness. Physician shortage.

I have not had many bad issues with Chase in the past until recently. Some how the water/sewer budget has to be fair and equitable and this can only be done by replacing faulty water meters which has obviously been neglected for many years.

Railway crossing is getting very worn when you go over Pine Street crossing to turn on to 2nd Ave - Village or CPR to repair? Very well "grooved"; Necessary but length of time wanting @ railway crossing but we all knew the train tracks were there when we purchased property the stupid water and sewer problem. that's what all the people I know talk about. Did we get sucked in with these water metre or is it a problem in other towns.



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In your opinion, as a resident of Chase, what is the single most important issue facing the community that should receive the greatest attention from the Village?

Firesmart

Transparency if the village has a problem with machines breaking down let people know instead of rumours running rampant, we do have a newspaper in town

Growing the downtown core to establish new businesses.

Getting new business

A train overpass or underpass and proper communication 're emergencies.

The roads

Give tourists a reason to stop here, not just drive by to get to the Shuswap

Increase tourism revenue and grow business community. End result will be more business tax base, increased employment and extra people to support local businesses from tourism.

Doing more about the crime and drug house , why can't they shut down the drug house??

get better cell service, at times the emergency responders cant get cell reception on calls its so bad.

Boat launch that is usable for more than 2 months with boat moorage and parks

price gouging from village office! Stop spending!

more recreation for children

Putting in place family supports (riverstone is a great facility already!) as the the town transitions to more families and less about retirement living if the trend continues. The rink is a great asset as well to keep kids active.

Water and Sewer Rates, either do flat rate or metered, how is it fair that people with working meters pay more? It was posed as an increase of \$5 however, the reality is the bill went up by \$80. It's really simple, replace the meters with simple reliable meters that work for reading as you do. Then bill everyone for the water/sewer they actually use. Or, forget about the meters and charge all residential a flat rate. The village just like residents should show some restraint in spending our money, how much did the sweeper attachment cost? How much is the broadband test costing us? We have to tighten our belt on spending..

Tax increases.

Pursuing outside funding from other levels of government and other economic development organizations.

The poor cell phone service.

The Current Mayor and his followers need to be more interested in looking out for the interests of everyone who pays taxes to the Village as opposed to their select self serving ideas/actions. Even this survey is self serving, in that on the 1st page, we are not provided the opportunity to answer the questions with our own thoughts, but provided selections that do not fit what I would answer, so left them blank.

Being prepared for Climate Change events and other disasters-mitigation and adaption

Affordability for residents, should be top of mind in budgeting, and staffing. Maintaining all infrastructure proactively in the five year capital plan budget.

Threat from wild fires.

Getting more doctors. Increase in fire services for coming season.

Could use more sidewalks on the busier streets so we don't have to walk alongside or on the street (Shuswap Ave, Coburn St). Some roads, such as Brooke Dr are in terrible condition and need to be repaved. Also, bringing in more business so that the local economy grows and provides local jobs.

Roads

Water meters

In the short term, focus on active and results-oriented efforts to prepare for the coming fire season, specifically in terms of clear and timely communication the public (i.e. public awareness campaigns regarding emergency preparedness), developing viable and well-coordinated emergency response plans, and enhancing the readiness of critical infrastructure.

In the mid-term, continue to repair Village roads and repair/enhance other municipal infrastructure (i.e. sewers and drains) necessary to prepare the Village for potential growth. Enable opportunities for the timely development of affordable housing.

Fixing water meters and charging what people use not paying for what other people use

Soliciting new industries and businesses to open shop so we are not just a bedroom community and relying on property taxes solely for infrastructure monies. New commercial business will bring in more lucrative tax base and jobs for citizens to be able to afford to live here

The increased water rates seem to be a big issue. And there is a lot of negativity surrounding council and administration working together.

A proper emergency plan.

Removing and replacing the fire chief, the CAO and DCO

Declining retailers

Fix the problems with administration

Quarterly taxes and activities for teenagers evenings and holidays

Pretty up the downtown. Hold the businesses accountable to improve their signage and curb appeal

Crime

The streets need to be repaired and more sidewalks for safer walking

Lack of Internet infrastructure

Internet and cellular upgrades and train horns

Get rid of the criminals



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POLICING. People are drawn to safe, secure communities. Safe, secure communities are healthy communities.
Replacing Administration with competent people.
Business, without tax revenues coming in from businesses it all falls on the residential tax payer. Chase used to have a bustling downtown full of people and businesses. Our little village was thriving. We need to go back to that, figure out a way to attract businesses to our beautiful little village, come up with some great incentives and market that to surrounding areas.
Multi-use building developments are needed as well. As you see in the current downtown there are buildings that are multi-use (Business & Residential) and we need more of those in the empty land spots to bring our rental pricing down, to be able to allow for more residents and bring in more businesses.
There is so much we can do if we work together and think outside the box.
Water and Sewer Rates. A bill last year same time was 6800.00. This year received a bill of over 10000.00 for same time. Seniors housing makes it very difficult at those rates
Not necessarily- it could be we do what we can with what we have and plan for the most important thing ...there is an election coming up that could change some avenues for funding
The financial mess our village is in and the over payment of salaries for staff that do very little, and seem to be grandfathered in on their jobs and positions.
Fire Safety. We have seen how quickly an entire Community can be wiped out. We need increased Water Pressure, Fire detection technology & Fire suppression as soon as Fires are detected. Should actively seek all Grant Funding that will address these concerns!
Increasing business tax base.
The citizens voices matter and the office needs to be audited by the province so we can build trust again.
leadership in village council
Plan to develop our community for the future not the past
Offer fiber internet for telecommuters. Attract and retain businesses.
Force people to keep their property looking good and fire safe...lots of run down looking dumps
I'd love to see other things for families/individuals. I'd love to see an indoor pool/rec type centre that would not only benefit the citizens in Chase, but the surrounding communities. This would benefit families of all ages, seniors, would encourage people to be more active. I'd be willing to see my property tax increase for this type of an investment. Perhaps there are grants that we can apply too that could go towards this type of investment?
I also feel that the way politics are currently, and how social media tackles it, that there should be more transparency with where the money is going.
Better communication.
Lack of tourism options when visitors come to Chase (ie. boat dock, camping, rv park)
Balanced budget
Water bill.
Economic Development would solve a lot of issues you have addressed on this survey
Be progressive council!!
planning for future needs, recovering from the water meter problems
We need more shopping options to get people to spend more of their income here instead of going to Kamloops or Salmon Arm. Or at least a larger type variety store. I still have to go to town or shop Amazon for many of my needs when I would rather support local.
Downtown revitalization
Roads are TERRIBLE .
Give me some tangible proof of taxes improving life here on my street
Water and sewer.
Fire preparation during fire season.
Affordable Senior & low income housing
Our youth need a place to hang out, a safe space where they can be somewhat monitored but provides fun activities so they are not just out wandering. Examples: arcade/pool hall/place to listen to music and hang out
Basics see question 31
Taxes. Remember we are a senior majority community
infrastructure
More commercial Amenities
The visual appeal. Downtown, entrances to Chase.
The water metering issue. Water needs to be metered accurately and billed accordingly, to encourage conservation. I don't object to a minimum charge, but when the assigned minimum use is for almost twice my actual consumption, it makes me want to use more just to make it worthwhile. I lived in another jurisdiction where my water meter went bad and my water utility had it fixed the first month, it took about an hour of actual work, so I was shocked to hear that meters were going bad here and not being fixed. Deferred maintenance/replacement of the bad meters is shocking in this day and age. Maintenance of our infrastructure, like water meters, should come before community grants and frivolous purchases like street sweeping apparatus.



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(First of all - this survey is not definitive enough to detail the meaning of the questions.)

Chase needs the pathway from creek to arena upgraded and paved. Same answer for Shepherd Street completion and asphaltting the arena parking lot. Plus more walking/bike trails.....And DECENT, PROPERLY ORIENTED AND FINISHED TENNIS COURTS! (The 'redo' a few years back was a complete waste of money because the Village and the School District would not listen to advice!

Cell towers and transit

That people with working water meters have to pay more than people with not working meters. It should be all the same until the fix!

Programs for kids and keeping the use of the village buildings going, maybe convert part of the curling rink into a rec center and lower the rent on the community hall and fire the lady that makes it so hard to book it.

Safety

Not sure....

Lack of community support.

Why so we have a whole elementary school just sitting empty when we could use a new emergency clinic or some after school programs?

Downtown business area needs to be revamped and so businesses will stay

A thriving downtown

Repaving the roads.

Climate action

Roads and balance the budget thought our hockey rink and area was going to support itself this village better get its head out of its ass real quick

Clearly from the townhall meeting and the budget situation its time for new and less positions in Administration and a Council full of ideas and united to lead. The CFO can stay.

Getting businesses in the downtown

Communication, defining the role of municipal government.

MONEY, Money not collected, Money misspent.

The privacy of people living beside the hyway.

Emergency Preparedness

Realize that Mayor and Council are spending our taxpayer dollars and should spend more wisely and give less of it away!

planning and prep for future development

Management of budget, dont penalize residents for kack of funds in one bliw

Fire detection, fire preparedness, sprinkler system to douse the flames.

The water meter situation. We are a seasonal resident of chase and have the village shut of our main valve in the fall, therefore, no water consumption for 4 to 5 months. We are still responsible for the new basic usage for those months. Also, I believe you cannot charge residence excess consumption if their meters are operating and read and no charge for residence if their meters are faulty and not read. If this is the case, the system is not fair, so there should be a concerted effort to repair and replace all faulty meters over a short time. Until this is done I can't see how you can read and charge any resident for consumption over the basic consumption you have established. Don't get me wrong as we have loved living in the Village of Chase and still do. Just pointing out some of the injustices in the present system and thanks for the opportunity to voice our opinion.

Better management of time for Village workers in Office; _____ - Lack of follow thru

Get rid of that old school and build something that will pay taxes like a seniors home or even apartments.

February 29, 2024

Mayor David Lepsoe
Village of Chase
Box 440
Chase, BC V0E 1M0

Dear Mayor Lepsoe:

Re: Provincial Response to 2023 Resolutions

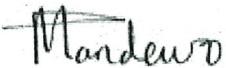
UBCM has received the Province's response to your Council resolution(s) from 2023. Please find the enclosed resolution(s) and their provincial response(s).

All responses from the Province have been posted to the UBCM web site under Resolutions & Policy.

Please feel free to contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst, if you have any questions about this process.

Tel: 604.270.8226 ext. 100 Email: jjustason@ubcm.ca

Sincerely,



Councillor Trish Mandewo
UBCM President

Enclosure



2023 EB23 Improved Level of Funding for Highway Rescue Services

Chase

Whereas British Columbia highways handle large volumes of traffic, with vehicle crashes occurring in all parts of BC in all seasons;

And whereas many small community volunteer fire departments and societies provide vital highway rescue services for crashes occurring on Provincial highways;

And whereas while some costs are reimbursed to the communities providing this service, costs for the service exceed the reimbursed costs, meaning local taxpayers, most of which reside in small communities, are subsidizing up to 50% for a Provincial highway system service, including a portion of on-call payments for highway rescue responders, training costs, fuel, vehicle provision, maintenance and replacement;

And whereas the Province of BC funds 100% of other emergency services attending to vehicle crashes on Provincial Highways including BC Ambulance Service and BC Coroners Service:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM ask the Province of BC to seriously commit to the development and implementation of a comprehensive funding model for Highway Rescue Services such that small community taxpayers are not subsidizing a provincial service.

Convention Decision: Endorsed

Provincial Response

Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness

We are fortunate in British Columbia to have dedicated and skilled emergency responders who support public safety by responding to incidents on our highways. This work is important and Ministry staff are undertaking work on this issue, with three immediate areas of focus:

- 1. Establishing a committee comprised of road rescue service providers with internal and external partners to work with government for road rescue response. This committee is intended to be a forum to guide the work of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness (EMCR) and provide a voice to road rescue service providers across BC.*
- 2. Policy development and support with immediate attention to address the rate coverage previously provided under the Inter-Agency Agreement, refresh for the Road and Medical Rescue policy suite, and policy development to better address non-road rescue out of jurisdiction fire rescue.*
- 3. Advice and support to EMCR operations staff and road rescue service providers throughout British Columbia.*

Future work includes developing relationships with other provincial ministries that have relationships with local government fire services for out of jurisdiction work, such as BC Emergency Health Services for First Responder response and BC Wildfire Service for wildfire response.



VILLAGE OF CHASE

Memorandum

Date: March 18, 2024
To: Mayor and Council
From: CAO
RE: Request for Extraordinary Grant-in-Aid – Chase Legion

The Chase Legion Branch 107 has requested financial assistance in the amount of \$400 to cover expenses for participation in the Provincial Legion Cribbage Tournament in Langford, BC.

Council's grant-in-aid policy (which is attached for reference) requires that grants-in-aid be applied for by November 30 of each year, are then reviewed by Administration and put forward to Council to consider before February 28 of each year.

The policy also includes a provision for extraordinary grants-in-aid. The policy states that Council will set aside a portion of the annual Grants-in-Aid budget for allocation for Extraordinary requests – those that are outside the annual application deadlines. Any non-profit group or organization is eligible for an extraordinary grant-in-aid on a one time only basis, future requests must be directed through the annual process.

The Chase Legion cribbage team is representing both the Chase Legion and the Village of Chase at the tournament in Langford, and their request does fall in line with Council's grant-in-aid policy.

RECOMMENDATION

“THAT Council grant \$400 to the Chase Legion Branch 107 to assist with costs associated with the cribbage team's participation in the 2024 Provincial Legion Cribbage Tournament.”

Respectfully submitted,





CHASE LEGION BRANCH 107

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March 11, 2024.

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Village of Chase Council:

Four members of the Chase Legion are representing the Legion and the Village of Chase, in a Legion Provincial Cribbage Tournament in Langford B.C. on March 22, 23 & 24th. Yes, the Legion is helping with some of the finances for the trip, but cannot cover the full cost of hotel rooms, ferry, gas and a meal or two. It is expensive.

The four members are asking the Village to contribute \$400.00 to help offset their expenses.

Thank you for your consideration,

Valerie Dubbert

Robert Dunn

Myles Downey

Leslie Downey



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Title: ADM – 31 Grant-In-Aid Policy

Date Adopted: January 22, 2019

Revised: April 12, 2022

Date Effective: January 22, 2019

Reviewed:

Special Notes / Cross Reference: This Policy is to be used in conjunction with all other applicable Bylaws and legislation

Policy: Council provides grants-in-aid to non-profit community groups who demonstrate a funding need for a service or program that will benefit the community and local area.

Policy Goal: To set out guidelines for allocating grants-in-aid.

Policy Objectives

1. Council will establish a budget for allocating grants-in-aid in a calendar year. The amount of the budget will be reviewed annually as part of the budget deliberation process.
2. The Chief Financial Officer will advertise annually in October the criteria for grant-in-aid with a deadline for submissions of November 30, to be considered for a grant in the following calendar year. Applicants are required to submit a description of their service/program, financial statements or other financial information from the current and previous year, and a listing of other funding sources. Applicants must demonstrate that the funds will be used for a program/service of benefit to the community or local area and that the group is unable to raise all of its required funds from other sources.
3. During budget deliberations, Council will review the grant-in-aid submissions and allocate funds at their discretion to the budget amount set. Council will make a final decision on the approved grants by February 28 each year, with notification given to all of the applicants immediately thereafter. Council will set aside a portion of the Grants- in-Aid budget for allocation to Extraordinary Requests during the year.
4. Types of costs that may be considered include operational costs, rental fees, supplies, and other costs incurred in the delivery of the service, program or event.
5. These grants are not intended to provide on-going support for the same service, program or event. All approvals shall be considered on a year-to-year basis. Groups can request grants-in-aid in subsequent years if the program, service or event is new.
6. Grants-in-aid will not be considered for any business enterprise.



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Requirements for General Applications

Applications for grants-in-aid are to be made on the application form as provided by the Chief Financial Officer. Incomplete applications will NOT be considered by Council.

Applications MUST include:

- Mailing address and contact information for organization
- Prove the provision of a service to persons residing in Chase and the surrounding areas
- Confirm the organization is non-partisan, non-denominational and non-profit
- Provide annual financial statements or other financial information that shows revenue and expenses for the year prior and the current year
- The current annual operating budget for the organization
- Documentation demonstrating how the organization intends to become less reliant on the Village's financial assistance over time
- A detailed budget for the event/program for which the grant in aid will be used
- Information regarding other sponsors of the program/service

Extraordinary Grants-in-Aid

As referred to in Section 3 above, Council will set aside a portion of the annual Grants-in-Aid budget for allocation for Extraordinary Requests (those requests that are outside of the annual application deadlines) during the year. Once the Extraordinary Grant-in-Aid account has been depleted, no further requests for grants-in-aid will be accepted in that calendar year.

Non-profit groups or organizations who have a new event or need for assistance via a grant in aid and can demonstrate valid reasons for not being able to have applied during the normal process, may apply to Council for consideration of an extraordinary grant.

Any non-profit group or organization is eligible for an extraordinary grant in aid on a one time only basis and future requests must be directed through annual grant in aid process.

Extraordinary Applications

Applications for extraordinary grants in aid must be submitted in the form of a letter to Council and include the following information in addition to the standard application:

- A detailed explanation/description for the requirement of the grant (is the event new?)
- An explanation of why the grant was not applied for in the normal grant-in-aid process (why was the deadline not met?)



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Other General Criteria for Grant Considerations

- Grants will not be made to other local governments
- Grants will not be utilized to fund functions that are funded through taxation
- Grants will not be made to industrial, commercial or business undertakings
- Grants may be made to assist a group with fees associated with the rental of a Village facility - groups are encouraged to request grants-in-aid to assist in funding events/programs/services
- Award recipients in the amounts of \$500 or more will be required to submit a post event summary of how the grant-in-aid was utilized within 60 days of the event including revenues and expenses, attendance at event and a statement of value achieved by the event – failure to provide information to Council as to how a grant was utilized will affect the recipient’s eligibility for a grant in the following year



February 29, 2024

Village of Chase

Mayor and Councillors
Box 440, 826 Okanagan Ave, Chase B.C. VOE 1M0

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Dear Mayor Lepsoe and Councillors,

I am writing on behalf of the BC Interior Community Foundation (BCICF). Last summer, we engaged a marketing student to breathe new life into our online presence and develop strategies aimed at simplifying the donation process for donors throughout our region. After speaking with some of our regional leaders, we learned of the need for having a simplified process for facilitating donations to our outlying communities, including the Village of Chase.

In line with these efforts, I am thrilled to share that we have launched a dedicated page on our website specifically tailored to your community. **You can find it here: www.bcicf.ca/chase**

This page is designed to highlight your community fund, as well as any other funds established to benefit Chase. We have streamlined the donation experience by incorporating an efficient online donation form. The form will allow your supporters to make contributions of any size.

Our hope is that this initiative will foster increased local engagement and support for your fund, allowing us to enhance our Community Granting program which will positively impact the residents in your area. We ask if you could please share this link to the Chase community page widely on your social media feeds or through your communication channels.

We welcome any feedback or suggestions you may have and would be happy to include your logo on your webpage if you wish. Please reach out if you have suggestions or would like to discuss any aspect of your community page on our website.

Thank you once again for your ongoing commitment to building a stronger and more vibrant community - with your assistance and enhanced visibility on our website, we are optimistic that this community fund will experience growth, making a lasting impact in your community for years to come.

About Your Fund

The Chase Community Smart and Caring Fund was established by BC Interior Community Foundation to support charitable activities or charitable organizations whose activities are within the objectives of the Foundation and more specifically to assist charitable organizations in the Village of Chase. Donations to this fund directly support the people and projects in Chase.





Fund Details (at December 31, 2022)

Fund Establishment: December 18, 2000

Net Annual Income (2022): \$189.92

Donations to Fund (2022): \$0.00

Total Endowed Balance: \$2,288.07

Last Fall, the BCICF Board of Directors decided to contribute to this fund, resulting in the endowed value of the Chase Community Smart and Caring Fund reaching a total of \$5,000. Recognizing the difficulties faced by small communities, our intention was to make a modest contribution towards addressing these challenges.

We are delighted to manage this endowed fund at our Foundation. Through our collective efforts in fostering its growth, this endowed fund is sure to become a reliable financial asset, continuously supporting local initiatives and projects. The 2024 Fundholder Statement (for interest earned in 2023) will be mailed to you in May, once our annual audit has been completed and approved.

Please feel free to reach out if you require additional information or have any inquiries.

Warm regards,

Wenda Noonan
Executive Director, BC Interior Community Foundation

PS - We're happy to let you know that Chase resident Barbara Maher made a donation of \$1542 this March!
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From: Sandy Stokes <ssokes@poucecoupe.ca>

Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2024 9:48 AM

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Subject: letter of support for resolution for NCLGA

Good morning

Please find attached a resolution that the Village of Pouce Coupe is putting forward to the committee at NCLGA for consideration. We would appreciate it if you and your councils would offer letters of support for this resolution.

Thank you for your consideration.



Sandy Stokes

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CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF POUCE COUPE



Council Resolution for consideration at NCLGA

Local Consultation for Provincial Impacts to Resource Sector Jobs

WHERE AS The provincial government does not currently have the obligation to meaningfully consult with municipalities and/or regional districts regarding provincial policy changes or decisions that impact employment for people that live in those municipalities and/or regional districts. The recent provincial policy changes and decisions have and will continue to negatively impact resource sector-based employment that disproportionately impacts rural, northern, and remote communities;

AND WHERE AS Rural, remote and northern communities local tax bases are dependent on a strong resource sector in order to provide services to those that live there;

THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED that NCLGA and UBCM lobby the provincial government to engage in meaningful consultation with the municipalities and/or regional districts whose people's employment in the resource sector may be negatively impacted by those provincial policy changes.