

The Monashee Arts Council Community Grants

Thanks to funding from the Regional District of the North Okanagan, the Monashee Arts Council is secure for 2022. Incorporated in 1999 this society has been instrumental in fostering arts and culture over the years and has thrived with the infusion of a regional grant since 2013. With a part time employee and a group of dedicated volunteers, the Arts Council supports the Village Gallery and Gift Shop; drop in art activities at the Lumby Public Market; an annual second hand art supply sale (in conjunction with the Butter Tart Festival) and art classes in response to community interest. The Lumby Art Meet Up for those interested in Pleine Air sketching; a photo contest every year and an art show at Lumby Days give everyone in the community an opportunity to improve and show their work.

Every year the Arts Council passes on a part of this regional grant to local groups who want to sponsor art or cultural activities. For example last year the Sassy Seniors, the Lumby Branch of the Okanagan Regional Library and the Shadow Circus pilot movie were supported through Monashee Arts Council community grants. Previously these grants have



supported music in the park and outdoor movie nights.

The deadline for applications is April 12th, but the application form is short and straightforward. You can pick one up at 1975 Vernon Street. (Open Monday through Saturday) or online at monasheecouncil.com.

How To Handle Debt During Tax Season

The deadline for paying your 2021 taxes is quickly approaching, and about one-third of Canadian tax filers will need to send money to the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). With many taxpayers already in debt, it's no surprise that many Canadians have trouble paying their annual taxes. This year may be especially difficult, as anyone who received a Canadian Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) will have to pay a portion of it back. Here are some tips to help you handle your tax debt and avoid fines and penalties.

File your taxes even if you can't pay

Failing to file your taxes on time can result in financial or criminal penalties, which will only make your situation worse. The CRA charges a penalty of five per cent of your 2020 balance owing, plus one per cent for each month your return is late.

There's no leniency on your filing deadline this year, so while you may not have to pay until April 30, 2023, you still need to file by April 30, 2022.

Apply for a payment plan or to waive penalties and interest

If you're having trouble paying your taxes, the CRA offers the following options:

- **Payment plan.** In some cases, you can pay the balance owed on your taxes in instalments. To be eligible for this, you need to prove to the CRA that you're doing everything you can to get the money together.
- **Waive penalties and interest.** You can apply to the CRA to have your penalties and interest reduced or waived. You'll need to prove your inability to pay and demonstrate how settling your tax bill will create undue financial hardship for you and your family.

Get help from a tax professional

Filing a request to pay your taxes in instalments or to waive the penalties and interest can be challenging. A tax professional, however, can help you prepare your tax forms, file on time and get the help you need.

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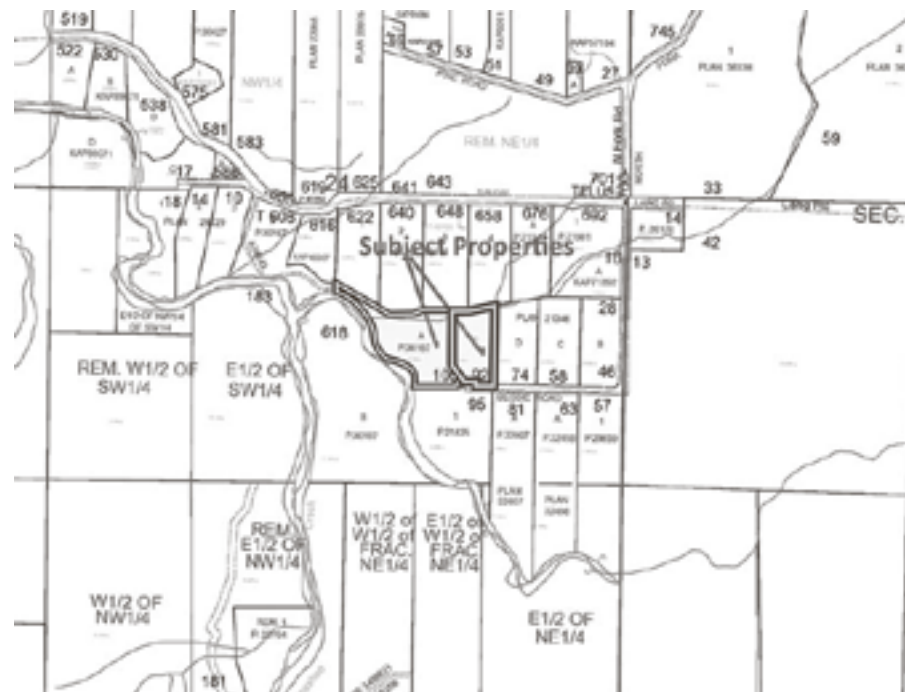
REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Regional District of North Okanagan, pursuant to Sections 464.2 and 467 of the *Local Government Act*, will consider giving First Reading to Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2924. A public hearing for this Bylaw is not required as the Bylaw is consistent with the Electoral Areas "D" & "E" Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2485. The Board of Directors will consider this Bylaw at their Regular Meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 4:00 pm.

ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 2924, 2022

Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2924, 2022 proposes to rezone the properties legally described as Lot E, Sec 24, Twp 57, ODYD, Plan 21346 and Lot A, Sec 24, Twp 57, ODYD, Plan 30167 and located at 92 and 100 Begbie Road from the Non-Urban (N.U) zone to the Country Residential (C.R) zone. If successful in rezoning the properties as proposed, the owner plans to subdivide the properties into one 1 ha lot (under Section 514 of the *Local Government Act*), one 2 ha lot, and one 3.64 ha remainder lot.



Copies of Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2924 can be viewed on the News/Public Notices section of the RDNO website at www.rdno.ca or at the office of the Regional District of North Okanagan (see address below). Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding Statutory holidays. You may also request a copy of the Bylaw by emailing planning@rdno.ca.

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