



TK'EMLÚPS TE SECWÉPEMC (TteS)
(Kamloops Indian Band)

Property Taxation Newsletter 2013

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Any Property Tax payment received after the August 2, 2013 due date will be subject to penalty.

Mail lost or delayed by the post office will be assessed the penalty as the postmark is not accepted as proof of payment by due date.

Planning and Engineering Update

LAWS AND BY-LAWS

Water By-law

The water by-law is being updated this year and new rates will apply. Again, it should be noted that it is the leaseholder's responsibility to install and maintain the water meter in good order. The by-law contains a rate of \$3,780 as an annual rate if failure to comply with water meter installation and maintenance. Please contact Arnold John 250-828-9716 to arrange to have the meter installed or replaced.

Sanitary Sewer By-law

This by-law will have 3rd reading shortly and will determine the Connection Fees and User fees for the sanitary sewer use. Primary Connection Fees per lot:

- One time charge of \$25,000 or an
- Annual charge for 10 years of \$4,000

Base/User charges:

- Base charge \$131.37
- User charge \$127.01

Development Cost Charge (DCC) Law

TteS is initiating a Development Cost Charge Law (DCC) for development on KIR#1. DCC's are used to apportion costs to all development for the infrastructure upgrades required to accommodate increased development within the TteS community.

The law is being reviewed by Chief & Council (C&C) and part of the adoption process is a public consultation period where affected persons can comment on the law. This consultation period will be advertised in the coming months and your comments will be appreciated.

OTHER UPDATES

Chief Louis Centre Development (CLC)

The utility upgrade for the CLC development has been completed for the first phase and a design for the roundabout at Sun Rivers Entrance has been completed. Phase 2 including the road realignment and roundabout is ready for construction.

Sanitary Sewer

Phase 1 of the Waste Water Collection Project is complete with Phase 2, at the north end of the Mt Paul Industrial Park, is nearing completion by end of July 2013.

The ability to connect to this new sanitary sewer system will have direct benefits to leaseholders. The existing septic field area is now available to be developed and the septic system does not need to be maintained in the future. See Sanitary Sewer By-law notes for details on connection/fees. Cont. page 3

Assessment Cycle 2013

This year the TteS created and implemented the Annual Rate Law 2013 and the Annual Expenditure Law 2013.

Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc has a five year contract with the BC Assessment Authority (BCA) to do the assessments on Kamloops Indian Reserve #1 to 5. In November, the assessment is completed by the Assessor, with the building and/or improvements to the property considered as of October 31 of each year. In January the Preliminary Assessment Roll is produced, reviewed by the Lands, Leasing, and Taxation Department (LLTD) and presented to Council for approval by January 31. In January, the Assessment notices are mailed out by BCA. Reconsideration of Assessments are accepted in February, and in March Assessments Appeals are filed for the Assessment Review Committee.

The LLTD meet with representatives of the Tenant Associations and the Locatee Landlords in May. Tax rates and budgets are developed and presented to Chief and Council. The Property Tax Rates & Expenditures Laws (Laws) go through three readings with Council and are reviewed by the First Nations Tax Commission (FNTC). Once Council approves the Laws, they are forwarded to FNTC for final review and approval. The Laws are then registered with the Law Registry, with a certified copy sent to the TteS. Tax Notices may then be issued. For assessment questions please phone BC Assessment at 250-376-6281 or - <http://www.bcassessment.bc.ca>

SUMMER HOURS:

Effective from July 2 to August 30, 2013.

8:00 am to 3:00 pm



First Nations Gazette A copy of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Annual Expenditure and Annual Rates Law can be found at the First Nations Gazette website <http://www.fng.ca/>.

There are tenants' associations workshops held annually for one representative from each tenant association to hear any concerns regarding servicing provided by the band and provide the proposed mill rate for the current tax year.

We also meet with the Locatee Landlords for the G&M/Leonard Estates, Silver Sage, Sage Meadows, Tagish and Paul Lake/Gottfriedson Estates with discussions included:

- Mill Rates
- Planning & Engineering
- Servicing Agreements
- Collections
- Recycling

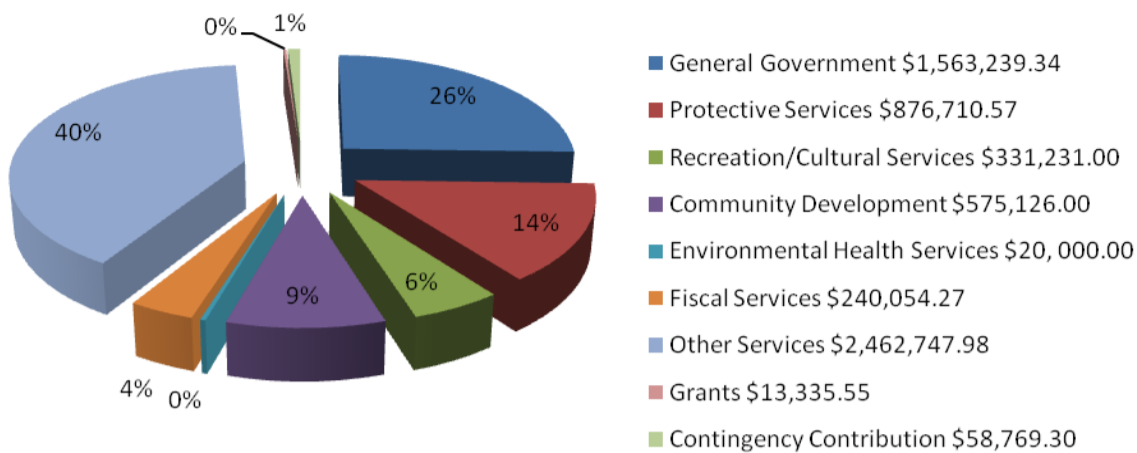
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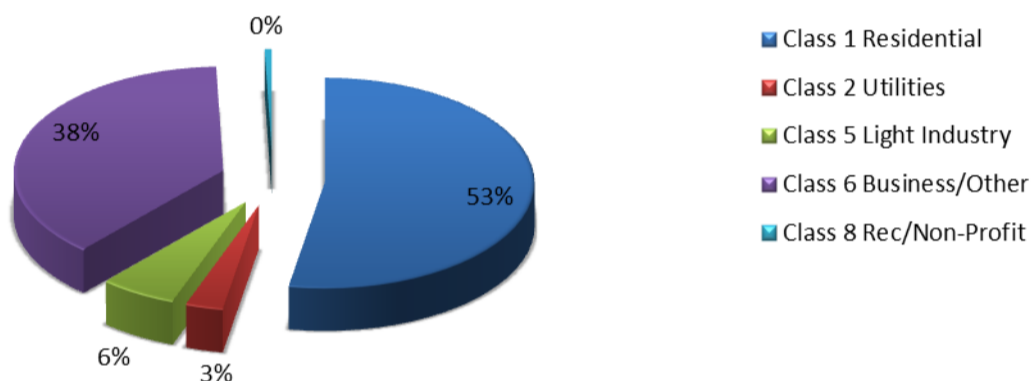


2013 Consolidated Property Tax Budget



Expenditures for 2013

2013 Tax Burden by Property Class



Rural & Northern Home Owner Benefit

Residential Taxpayers, are you tired of not receiving the Rural & Northern Home Owners Benefit? The Provincial government is doing a comprehensive review of the Carbon Tax and its impact on British Columbians. This is your chance to let your MLA know that people living on reserve lands are British Columbians too.

Sanitary Sewer Connection Fee

Notice for connections to the new sanitary sewer system in the Mt Paul Industrial Park will be sent out after the construction completion. The notice will include Primary Connection payment options: a one time payment of \$25,000 or an annual payment of \$4,000 a year for 10 years available by way of a TteS plumbing permit and fees through the Planning & Engineering Dept. – Permits section, contact Darlean Paul, Business License Inspector at 250-828-9708, or by email at dpaul@kib.ca

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Taxation without Representation?

Westbank First Nation passed their Advisory Council Law in 2008 and Songhees First Nation passed their Taxpayer Representation Law in 2010. Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc is working on its own "Taxpayer Representation to Council Law". The law will give taxpayers on reserve a meaningful way to have input into the taxation system.

Waste Generator Permits

The first issue of Waste Generator Permits has been underway since January first. All businesses with the exception of home based business must have either the Tier I or Tier II Waste Generator Permit. If you have not replied to the previous information mailed and hand delivered to your business by remitting the Waste Generator Information Form, contact the TteS Environmental Specialist, 250 314 1547 at the Lands, Leasing and Tax Department. Lease and Permit inspections will begin in July. If you have not purchased your WGP at the appropriate level you will be subject to a fine. The WGP and a wall certificate are issued once your invoice has been paid. Thank you to all responsible businesses who have submitted their WGP Information Forms and are now operating under their Waste Generator Permit requirements. Any questions about permit requirements or how to purchase a permit, contact the Environmental Specialist, Mark Diffin by phone 250 314 1547 or Email: mdiffin@kib.ca.