TK'EMLÚPS TE SECWÉPEMC

Property Taxation Newsletter 2021

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Tax Payments lost or delayed by the post office will be assessed the penalty, as the postmark is not accepted as proof of payment by the due

Covid-19 Procedure — Administration office is closed to the public. If you need to come in please make an appointment prior to coming to the office.

> Finance & LLT offices are open by appointment only,

> > **Call Reception** 250-828-9700

Lands, Leasing & Tax 250-828-9784

> **Finance** 250-828-9861

Annual Tax Cycle 2021

Assessment Process

Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc (TteS) has an assessment services agreement with the BC Assessment Authority (BCA). BCA assesses the value of all taxable properties on the "valuation date" of July 1, and the "physical condition" date of October 31, which may impact the final value in the Assessment Notice. BCA issues the Assessment Notices to taxpayers by December 31.

If you disagree with your assessment here are two appeals options available that must be submitted to BCA:

- Reconsideration of Assessment: 1.
 - due Jan 31st, no fee
- Assessment Appeal:
 - due March 2nd , \$30.00 fee

For assessment questions please contact BCA at 1-866-825-8322 or by email to thompson.okanagan@bcassessment.ca.

Budget & Rate Setting

TteS Chief & Council (C&C) must pass "annual laws" to set tax rates to levy taxes and expend property tax revenue. The Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Annual Tax Rates Law, 2021, and Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Annual Expenditure Law, 2021, were enacted by Chief & Council on May 25, 2021. The First Nations Tax Commission approved the annual laws on June 11, 2021, and comes into force and effect June 12, 2021. All laws may be found on the First Nations Gazette website at www.fng.ca.

Tax Collection & Enforcement

As per the Kamloops Indian Band Property Taxation Law, 2008, the payment due date is August 2. For 2021, the payment due date is August 3 (BC Day, August 2), the 10% penalties will be applied to the unpaid taxes on August 4, and interest begins to accrue after September 2.

Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Laws

Property Taxation & Assessment Laws

The Kamloops Indian Band Property Taxation Law, 2008, & Kamloops Indian Band Property Assessment Law, 2008, have been updated to the new FMA sample laws and consolidated to include the amendments. The next steps are internal, FNTC, and legal reviews, prior to the 2nd Reading, and Section 6 Notice period presented at Chief & Council (C&C).

Taxpayer Representation to Council Law

Council would like to formalize and enhance the relationship with TteS taxpayers. The intent of the Proposed Taxpayer Representation to Council Law is to provide taxpayers with opportunities for input into property taxation matters, proposed local revenue laws, representations to Council and

communications between Council & taxpayers at the annual tax meeting. The Law has been updated to the new sample law. The next steps are internal, FNTC, and legal reviews, prior to the 1st Reading presented at C&C .

First Nations Tax Commission

The Law Development Process, sample FMA laws and standards may be found on the FNTC website at www.fntc.ca.

First Nations Gazette

All TteS laws & bylaws, including the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Annual Expenditure and Annual Rates Laws, 2021, are published and available to the public on the First Nations Gazette website www.fng.ca.

Home Owner Grant

IMPORTANT —

Owner Grant (HOG) Program. There is no change to submitting the HOG to the TteS Finance Department.

Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc (TteS) has its own Home Off Reserve, Municipalities no longer accept applications for the Home Owner Grant, taxpayers off reserve must register their HOG with the Province.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

8:00 am 4:00 pm

Closed 12:00-1:00pm





PAYMENT OPTIONS:

ONLINE BANKING

- Available at most major banks and credit unions (including telephone banking)
- Log into your online banking and under "Add Payees" search for and select: <u>Kam-</u> <u>loops Indian Band - Property</u> <u>Taxes</u>
- Add prefix **066** then folio # ie. **066**25000999

CHEQUE

MAIL or use our **DROP BOX** (available during office hours)

Make cheques payable to: TK'EMLUPS TE SECWEPEMC PROPERTY TAX

#200-330 Chief Alex Thomas Way, Kamloops, BC V2H 1H1

PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY PAYMENT (P.A.P.)

Contact the Accounts Receivable office to set-up P.A.P at (250)-828-9861

Monthly Payment Plans ("sign it and forget it") can be modified or cancelled (as per terms of the P.A.P. agreement)

PLASTIQ

For online credit card payments to TteS, simply go online to www.plastiq.com and follow the simple steps

Plastiq assesses a 2.85% service fee per transaction

HOME OWNER GRANT

can be submitted by

EMAIL - <u>revenue@kib.ca</u>

DROP BOX - located at the front of the Administration Building

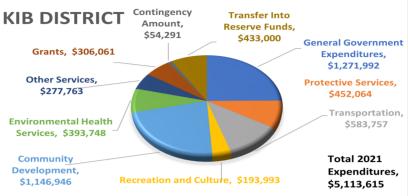
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NEW HOME OWNERS

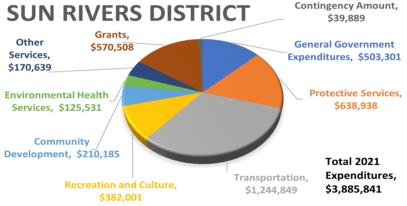
Please include copy of Drivers License for proof of residence



Property Tax Budget 2021









Planning & Engineering Update

Development Cost Charge (DCC) Law, Update 2021

TteS is updating the DCC law for the first time since 2013. The City of Kamloops updated their DCC law in 2020. TteS was successful in having the City lower the sanitary sewer charges.

Mount Paul Industrial Park—Sanitary Sewer Extension

TteS would like to hear from interested businesses. The timing of the sanitary sewer extension is up to all fronting properties along the street. TteS can facilitate.

Sewer connection costs include:

- 1) Connection charges (~\$30K per property)
- 2) City and TteS DCC/ACC payments
- 3) Annual fixed and variable fees (base & user rates)

BYLAWS

Traffic Bylaw—TteS recently passed a traffic bylaw. Restrictions include speeds, restricted parking areas, local residential traffic zones, truck routes. Contravention of posted traffic signs will be enforced.

Water Bylaw—All consumers must have a suitable water meter in a location easily accessible for inspection. TteS may discontinue water service to a premise until a suitable water meter is installed. Water restrictions will be in place annually between June 1 to August 31. No sprinkling is allowed between 11:00 am and 6:00 pm on any day. Even addresses may sprinkle only on even numbered days. Odd addresses may sprinkle only on odd numbered days.

Building Bylaw—No person shall commence, or continue any construction, including excavation, or change the occupancy of any building or structure, unless TteS has issued a valid permit. No person shall move, deposit or remove soils, without a permit. No person shall occupy a premise until an occupancy certificate has been issued.

Dog Licensing—Licence your dog yearly at the TteS Bylaw Office. Microchip and vaccinate your pets. Identify your pets with a collar or tag. Spay/Neuter your pets. Ensure your dog is kept safely secured in your confined yard.

For all bylaw concerns/inquiries call 250-828-9708 or email bylaw@kib.ca