



## CRESTON'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

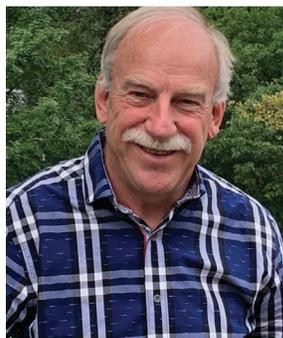
Did you know that on May 14, 1924, Creston was officially incorporated? And this year marks a significant milestone as we celebrate Creston's Centennial of incorporation! That's right, 100 years!

To honour this momentous occasion, Town Council will host a Council meeting where Mayor and Council will step back in time by dressing in period costumes and showcase artifacts from the very first Council meeting. Join them at the Creston & District Community Complex on **Tuesday, May 14th, at 4:00 pm** for this unique Council meeting.

Later, as darkness falls, prepare to be enchanted by a mesmerizing **drone show at approximately 9:30 pm**, also at the Creston & District Community Complex (in the field).

And the celebrations don't end there! Throughout the year, a plethora of events await. Visit [creston.ca](https://creston.ca) to discover the exciting lineup of events and join us in commemorating Creston's rich history and vibrant community spirit!

### A Message from the Mayor



As Creston prepares to celebrate its Centennial, it's essential to acknowledge the land on which we stand. The Creston Valley is located on the unceded traditional territory of the Yaqan Nukiy within the Ktunaxa Nation.

Incorporated on May 14th, 1924, Creston has grown and thrived over the past century. Turning 100 is a testament to the generations of individuals who have contributed to Creston's vibrant culture and spirit. It's an opportunity to reflect on our past, honour our present, and envision our future.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the Centennial Advisory Committee and service groups, for their dedication in planning events to commemorate this milestone. Their efforts have resulted in a schedule of events for May 14th and throughout the year, celebrating our community's past.

As we come together to celebrate, let us honour the contributions of those who came before us and to ensure that the next century is built on foundations of inclusivity, respect, and cooperation.

Happy Centennial, Creston!

Mayor Arnold DeBoon



# OPEN HOUSE



**Thursday, May 16th - 3:00 - 7:00pm**  
**Creston & District Community Complex - Creston Room**

The Town of Creston will be hosting an Open House on May 16, 2024, from 3:00 - 7:00pm. Get ready to mingle with every department from the Town, as they showcase what they do best. Chat with managers and staff of the following departments, and learn the ins and outs of what we do!

<b>Building Department</b>	<b>Bylaw Services</b>	<b>Finance &amp; Corporate Services</b>
<b>Infrastructure Services</b>	<b>Creston Valley Fire Department</b>	<b>Community Planning &amp; Development</b>

### Some feature projects/topics will be:

Sign Bylaw Rewrite  
Creston's Centennial  
Voyant Alert

Creston Housing Corporation  
Short Term Rentals  
Development Cost Charges

Parks Master Plan  
Accessibility Plan  
2024 Budget



Following the Open House, join us for a **Public Information Meeting** where we'll share our business model for a new municipal housing corporation. The presentation will be from **7:00 - 9:00pm** in the Creston Room.



## Commercial Vending

Commercial Vending, such as food trucks, is now permitted within a specific area of Market Park. Vendors are required to have a valid Business Licence and Commercial Vending Permit. Fees have been updated to reflect services provided at Market Park, such as power. Permits are now available for up to six months.

**Please note:** Commercial vendor locations are on a first-come first-serve basis. In general, vendor hours are limited to park hours. No overnight parking is permitted.

## Fences

Did you know that the Town of Creston has new Fence and Screening regulations? Our Zoning Bylaw includes the types of fence materials you can use, maximum fence height, and requirements around swimming pools. Check out our Zoning Bylaw at [creston.ca](http://creston.ca) for more information.

Check-in with the staff at Town Hall before you build your fence and be sure to check your property title for any restrictions. It is highly recommended that you have your property surveyed to know where your property lines are before constructing a fence.



## Park Bookings

Recent changes have been made to the park booking process. Some key changes are:

1. The majority of bookings can be approved by Town Staff, streamlining the approval process. Bookings over 500 people, or serving liquor still require Council approval.
2. Capacity for Millennium Park has increased from 150 to 250. Anything larger than 250 will need special approval.
3. Closed bookings are now allowed in several parks and public spaces throughout Creston.
4. For small events, such as a kid's birthday party, a time slot must be chosen to allow for multiple bookings throughout the day. All set up and take down needs to be completed within the time slot.
5. Closed bookings must be 'community orientated'. For example, a community orientated event could be a concert with tickets available for purchase. A wedding would not be considered community orientated.
6. See Creston's Fees and Charges Bylaw at [creston.ca](http://creston.ca) to review changes to park booking fees.

## Sani-dump Closed May Long Weekend



Please be advised that the Municipal Sani-dump located beside Millennium Park will not be available before and during the upcoming May long weekend (May 13-20). This temporary closure is due to the Mid-way setting up in that location for the Blossom Festival weekend.

Want to be notified of Emergencies?



Exciting news! The Town of Creston now offers Voyent Alert, a new tool to keep you informed and safe during emergencies and important events.

**What is Voyent Alert?**

Voyent Alert is a powerful emergency notification system that delivers critical updates directly to your smartphone.

**How Does it Work?**

Download the Voyent Alert app from the App Store or Google Play Store, register your location, and start receiving notifications specific to Creston. Customize your preferences to receive only the alerts you need.

**Why Use Voyent Alert?**

Stay informed in real-time with alerts from the Town of Creston, helping you make informed decisions during emergencies, wherever you are.

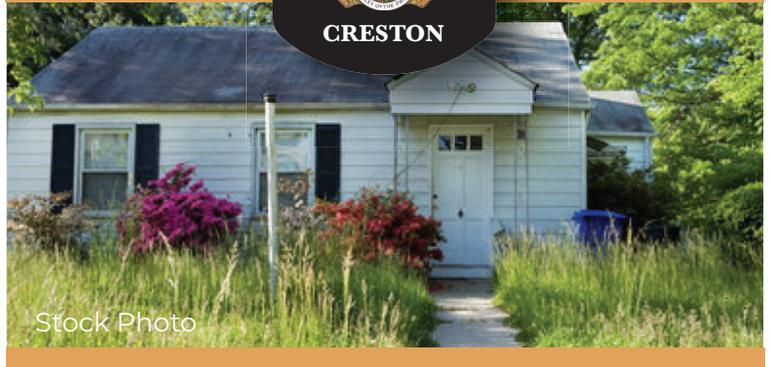
**Download Today**

Don't wait until an emergency happens. Download Voyent Alert now for free and take control of your safety.

**Please note:** If you're already registered for RDCK's Voyant Alert, you're automatically included in the Town of Creston's system. Visit the app to update your info and to make sure everything is correct.

**BC Building Code Update**

In March of this year, the BC Building Code underwent notable updates. Among these changes is a requirement for newly permitted homes to include cooling facilities. These facilities must be capable of maintaining indoor air temperatures of no more than 26 degrees Celsius in at least one living space within each dwelling unit.



We'd like to remind the public that the Town of Creston has a Property Maintenance Bylaw in place for the benefit of all residents. This bylaw outlines the responsibilities of property owners to keep their yards and properties in good order and free from any hazards, or unsightly conditions. It is the responsibility of property owners to maintain their property and keep it neat and tidy. This includes, but is not limited to, ensuring that lawns are mowed regularly, garbage and recycling are properly disposed of, and any debris or clutter is removed. Your cooperation in adhering to this bylaw helps to keep our community clean, safe, and attractive for all residents and visitors. Thank you for doing your part!

If you have a concern regarding compliance with one of the Town Bylaws, the Bylaw Compliance Department requires you to fill out a written Bylaw Complaint Form with your name, address, and phone number as well as a detailed description of the alleged bylaw violation. Please note: we do not accept anonymous complaints (no personal information will be divulged).

A Bylaw Complaint Form can be obtained in person at Town Hall, or online:

- Visit [creston.ca](http://creston.ca)
- Click on the 'Town Hall' menu at the top
- Click on 'Bylaws'
- Click on 'Register a Complaint'

Questions? Contact Us - We are here to help! • 238 - 10th Avenue North, Creston, BC

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