



News Release

For Immediate Release

District of Taylor is awarded \$39,450.00 in grant funding for an Asset Management Plan

Project made possible thanks to the Federal Gas Tax Fund

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The District of Taylor is very pleased to announce the award of \$39,450.00 in grant funding from the Federal Gas Tax Fund.

A priority for municipalities is sustainable asset management. In the District of Taylor a comprehensive plan is required to assess the condition and life expectancy for our roads, water and wastewater assets. This grant funding will allow for experts to help our municipality determine our long term capital requirements. Asset management is imperative for the future of communities and we are fortunate to have been granted this federal funding.

The asset management plan, phase one, will be overseen by the Corporate and Deputy Financial Officer – Miss Tyla Pennell, Director of Finance – Mr. Mike McPhail and the Director of Operations – Mr. Ryan Nelson.

Each year, the Government of Canada provides over \$278 million in funding for local government infrastructure across British Columbia through the Federal Gas Tax Fund. The Union of BC Municipalities administers the Federal Gas Tax Fund in British Columbia in partnership with the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia.

Quotes

“Improvements to local infrastructure are so important. They make our communities better places to live,” said Selina Robinson, B.C. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. “We are pleased to partner with local governments and the federal government to improve the daily lives of British Columbians.”

“Communities across BC are looking for funding to replace, upgrade and expand local infrastructure. The federal Gas Tax Fund is accelerating the pace of infrastructure renewal through the transfer of close to \$3 billion since 2005 for projects in our province. I appreciate the Government of Canada’s long-term commitment to fund priorities identified by BC local governments.”

Director Wendy Booth, President, Union of BC Municipalities

“We are extremely pleased to receive this grant to put towards the asset management of the community. Critical infrastructure such as roads, water and wastewater are key components to a municipality and it’s important to know our longevity so we can plan for the future. With this grant we will be able to assess our infrastructure which is vital for our town, future capital planning and to stay accountable to our residents”.

Mayor Rob Fraser

Links

To see all the projects funded under the current intake of the Federal Gas Tax Fund, visit <https://news.gov.bc.ca/16553>

To learn more about the federal Gas Tax Fund visit: <http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/plan/gtf-fte-eng.html>.

To learn more about the District of Taylor visit: www.districtoftaylor.com

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