

Board Highlights May 19, 2022

Kaslo infoNet Society – Connecting the West Shore of Kootenay Lake

Issac Maxfield, Executive Director of Kaslo infoNet Society (KiN), appeared as a delegation at May's RDCK Board Meeting. The not-for-profit internet service provider is in the process of bringing fibre optic internet service to most communities on the West Shore of Kootenay Lake, north of Ainsworth. With grant funding from the likes of the RDCK and Columbia Basin Trust, Maxfield updated the Board on how KiN is expanding into Johnsons Landing and Argenta this year and into Meadow Creek and Cooper Creek next year. KiN is looking to expand into other areas within the RDCK to improve connectivity across rural areas.

Columbia Basin Trust – Community Initiatives Program/Affected Areas Program Grant Funding

The Board approved the 2022 Columbia Basin Trust Community Initiatives and Affected Area Program (CIP/AAP) grant funding. A total of \$1,453,038.72 in funding will be allocated to 266 different project proposals. <u>Click here</u> for a complete list of all the recipients of CIP/AAP funding. The programs support local projects that provide additional value to Basin communities, and that benefit the broad community and public good.

Area E Library Contribution Service

A library financial contribution service bylaw for Electoral Area E will now be submitted to the Local Government Inspector for approval. When approved, staff will present the Board with a recommendation to public consultation and elector approval by means of the Alternative Approval Process (AAP). If adopted the contribution service will provide funding to the Nelson Municipal Library, while contributing to the overall literacy of the community and ensuring access to information resources. Currently, Electoral Area F and defined portions of Electoral Area H have a library contribution agreement with the Nelson Municipal Library.

2022 General Local Government Elections

In coordination with Elections BC, the RDCK has released its schedule of significant dates and statutory requirements for the 2022 General Local Government Election. Important dates to keep in mind, include:

- August 30 September 9 Nomination Period
 - The period for candidates to submit their nominations to local election officials
- September 17 October 15 Campaign Period
 - The period begins on the 28th day before General Voting Day and ends at the close of voting on General Voting Day.
- September 19 Declaration of Election by voting or acclamation
- October 15 General Election Day
- November Inaugural RDCK Board Meeting

For more information and other important deadlines checkout pg. 258 of the <u>May Board Addenda</u> or go to the <u>2022 General Local Elections page of the Elections BC website</u>.

Director's Reports

RDCK Directors provide monthly reports explaining what they have been working on. <u>Click here</u> to read the May reports in the Board minutes (agenda item 4.4, pg.128).

Discretionary Grants

<u>AREA A</u> Kootenay River Secondary School – KRSS 2022 Prom South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society – Age-Friendly Moving Forward Project Shortfall	\$300 \$425
<u>AREA B</u> Canyon Lister Elementary School – Community Pantry Kootenay River Secondary School – KRSS 2022 Prom	\$400 \$300
<u>AREA C</u> Kootenay River Secondary School – KRSS 2022 Prom	\$300
<u>AREA G</u> Osprey Community Foundation – Neighbourhood Small Grants Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre Society – The Dandelion Festival	\$1,000 \$2,000
<u>AREA H</u> Slocan Lake Green Burial Society – Slocan Lake Green Burial Ground	\$2,110
AREA I Glade Recreation Commission 2022 Family Events	\$2,000
Community Development Grants	
<u>AREA A</u> Boswell Historical Society – The Heart – A Gathering Place	\$5,000
<u>AREA B</u> Rotary Club of Creston – 2022 Creston-Kootenay Lake Gran Fondo	\$1,000
<u>CRESTON</u> Town of Creston – Red Grain Elevator Restoration Town of Creston – Screen Flame for Events	\$10,000 \$2,000
<u>AREA D</u> Argenta Emergency Preparedness Group – Wildfire Preparedness Equipment Kaslo and Area Emergency Support Services – Kaslo and Area ESS Volunteer Appreciation	\$3,000 \$250

Kaslo Search and Rescue – Wilderness First Aid Readiness	\$1,732.50
AREA E Balfour and District Business and Historic Association – Connecting the Kootenays Book Cover Architectural Collaborative-Indigenous Engagement Committee – Film Screening Nelson Reflections Artistic Swimming – BC Summer Games Redfish Elementary School – Redfish Elementary Swim Lesson Program 2022	\$2,002 \$500 \$750 \$2,440.59
<u>AREA F</u> Six Mile Water Users Group – SMWUG Main Waterline Repair	\$18,000
<u>AREA I</u> Tarrys Fire Rescue Social Club – Breathable Waterproof Jackets Union of Spiritual Communities of Christ – USCC 75 th Annual Union of Youth Festival	\$3,300 \$500
<u>AREA K</u> Bayview Resident's Association – Emergency Response Operations Nakusp and Area Development Board – Economic Development Coordinator	\$2,000 \$10,000
<u>SLOCAN</u> Village of Slocan – Legion Hall Upper Level Improvements	\$4,539
Community Works Fund	
AREA A Crawford Creek Regional Park Infrastructure Upgrade Project	\$150,000
<u>AREA B</u> Erickson Water System Metering Project – Phase 1	\$750,000
AREA C West Creston Fire Hall Project	\$390,000
AREA E Sunshine Bay Regional Park Dock Recreation Infrastructure Project	\$65,000
<u>AREA F</u> North Shore Fire Hall Infrastructure Upgrade Project – Phase 1	\$113,739
Recreation Commission No.5 – New Denver, Silverton and Area H	
Dark Water Dragons Society Goat Mountain Kids Society Hills Recreation Society North Slocan Trail Society Silverton Community Club	\$530 \$500 \$750 \$750 \$200

Slocan Lake Arena Society

\$600

Slocan Lake Dance Club	\$400
Slocan Lake Garden Society	\$630
Slocan Lake Golf Club	\$750
Valhalla Fine Arts Society	\$750