



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Open Meeting Agenda**

Date: March 27, 2024

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Hybrid Meeting

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In-person Location:

RDCK Board Room, 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, B.C.

Proceedings are open to the public.

1. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

2. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
RECOMMENDATION**

That the agenda for the March 27, 2024 Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

**4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES
RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes from the January 24, 2024 Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

5. DELEGATIONS

INTERIOR HEALTH AUTHORITY

Todd Mastel, Corporate Director, Business Operations
Lannon DeBest, Executive Director, Clinical Operations – Kootenay Boundary

5.1 INTERIOR HEALTH UPDATE REPORT

Todd Mastel will provide and presentation to the Board regarding the Under \$100K Equipment Global Grant initial listing for 2024/25.

The report from Todd Mastel, Corporate Director, Business Operations, Financial Services, re: Summary of Minor Equipment Global Grant Items, has been received.

5.2 CLINICAL OPERATIONS UPDATE

Lannon DeBest will provide a verbal update to the Board regarding clinical operations.

6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

6.1 INTERIOR HEALTH CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024/2025 FISCAL YEAR

The letter from Sylvia Weir, Chief Financial Officer & VP Corporate Services, Interior Health Authority, dated December 11, 2023, was received at the January 24, 2024 Board meeting. The letter is attached for reference during the review of the bylaws.

6.2 Bylaws

(a) BYLAW NO. 408

(Fire Alarm System) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL
DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 408

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 408, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 408, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(b) BYLAW NO. 409

(Building Voltage Regulation) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL
DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 409

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 409, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 409, 2004* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(c) BYLAW NO. 410

(Washroom Renovation) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 410

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 410, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 410, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(d) BYLAW NO. 411

(Air Handling Unit) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 411

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 411, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 411, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(e) BYLAW NO. 412

(Kitchen Air Handling Unit Replacement) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 412

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No 412, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 412, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(f) BYLAW NO. 413

(Packaged Air Handler Replacement) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL
DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 413

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 413, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 413, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(g) BYLAW NO. 414

(Boiler Feedwater Pumps) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL
DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 414

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 414, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 414, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(h) BYLAW NO. 415

(Interior Health - Wide Digital Health) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL
DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 415

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 415, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 415, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(i) BYLAW NO. 416

(Waste and Cardboard Compactor) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL
DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 416

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 416, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 416, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(j) BYLAW NO. 417

(Steam Sterilizer) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 417

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 417, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 417, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(k) BYLAW NO. 418

(Mammography Breast Imaging Specimen System) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 418

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 418, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 418, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(l) BYLAW NO. 419

(Global Grants under \$100,000) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 419

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 419, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 419, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

(m) The Board Memorandum from Stuart Horn, Secretary/Treasurer, presenting Draft 2024 Budget Scenarios and Bylaw 372 Borrowing, has been received.

That the Board approve WKBRHD budget scenario _____ with a taxation amount of \$ _____ and a contribution to reserve of _____.

BYLAW NO. 420

(Annual 2024 Budget) WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 420

3 Readings: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 420, 2024* is hereby read the FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

Adoption: *West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 420, 2024* is hereby ADOPTED and the Chair and the Secretary are authorized to sign same.

*Note the final bylaw will be provided to Directors by email during the meeting in accordance with the budget option selected by the Board.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 CORRESPONDENCES

- 7.1.1** The letter dated December 13, 2023 from Janice Morrison, Mayor City of Nelson, re: Dialysis Service in Nelson, has been received.
- 7.1.2** The letter dated January 22, 2024 from Andy Leathwood, President Rotary Club of Nelson Daybreak, re: Letter of Support for a Hemodialysis unit at Kootenay Lake District Hospital, has been received.
- 7.1.3** The letter dated January 24, 2024 from Al Friend, Lions Club re: Nelson Lions Letter of Support for a Hemodialysis unit at Kootenay Lake District Hospital, has been received.
- 7.1.4** The letter from Ruth O’Byran, IODE Kokanee Chapter Education Officer, re: Letter of Support for a Hemodialysis unit at Kootenay Lake District Hospital, has been received.

7.1.5 The letter dated February 27, 2024 from Mary Gris, Past-President (current Acting President) Nelson Catholic Women's League, re: Letter of Support for a Hemodialysis unit at Kootenay Lake District Hospital, has been received.

7.2 INTERIOR HEALTH AUTHORITY CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PLANNING STATUS REPORT

The Master Summary report for March 2024 has been received from the Interior Health Authority.

7.3 WKBRHD ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SUMMARY

The WKBRHD Accounts Payable Summary report prepared by the RDCK Finance Department for January - February 2024, has been received.

7.4 WKBRHD BOARD MEETING FORMAT

Chair Hewat requested a discussion regarding WKBHRD Board meeting format. Two options brought forward:

- Virtual only with the Chair in person at the RDCK Board office.
- Hybrid meeting with the in person at the RDCK Board office.

8. QUESTIONS PERIOD FOR PUBLIC & MEDIA

The Chair will call for questions from the public and members of the media.

**9. ADJOURNMENT
RECOMMENDATION**

That the meeting adjourn at _____ p.m.



REGULAR OPEN MEETING MINUTES

The **first** regular meeting of the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District for the year 2024 was held on Wednesday, January 24 at 6:00 p.m. through a hybrid meeting model.

Quorum was maintained for the duration of the meeting.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Chair S. Hewat	RDCK Village of Kaslo	In-Person
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(RDCK)

Director G. Jackman	Area A	In-Person
Director A. Watson	Area D	
Alternate Director J. Smienk	Area E	
Director T. Newell	Area F	
Director H. Cunningham	Area G	
Director W. Popoff	Area H	
Director A. Davidoff	Area I	
Director T. Weatherhead	Area K	In-Person
Director B. Bogle	City of Castlegar	
Director T. Zeleznik	Village of Naksup	
Director K. Page	City of Nelson	In-Person
Director D. Lockwood	Village of Salmo	
Director L. Main	Village of Silverton	
Director E. Buller	Village of Slocan	

(RDKB)

Director A. Grieve	Area A
Alternate Director B. Edwards	Area B
Director G. McGregor	Area C
Director L. Wiese	Area D
Director S. Gibbs	Area E
Director B. Wenman	Village of Fruitvale
Director E. Baker	City of Grand Forks
Director J. McLean	Village of Greenwood
Director J. Willsey	Village of Midway
Director J. Weaver	City of Rossland
Director T. Martin	City of Trail
Director F. Marino	Village of Warfield

ELECTED DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Director C. Graham	RDCK Area E
Director H. Hanegraaf	RDCK Area J
Director L. Casley	RDCK Village of New Denver
Director L. Worley	RDCK Area B
Director D. Berriault	Village of Montrose

STAFF PRESENT

Mr. S. Horn	Secretary/Treasurer
Mr. M. Morrison	RDCK Corporate Officer
Ms. A. Lund	Meeting Coordinator

INTERIOR HEALTH

Mr. L. DeBest	Executive Director, Clinical Operations – Kootenay
Mr. T. Mastel	Corporate Director, Business Operations
Ms. D. Jansons	Renal Program Director

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Meeting number (access code): 2774 356 9070

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Proceedings are open to the public.

1. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Stuart Horn, Secretary/Treasurer, assumed the chair at 6:03 p.m.

2. ELECTION

2.1 ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR

Stuart Horn called for nominations the first time.

Directors Hewat and Marino were nominated.

Stuart Horn called for nominations a second and third time.

Opportunity for Candidates to Address the Board

Directors Hewat and Marino each gave a two-minute address.

Vote by Secret Ballot

Directors provided their votes by email to Stuart Horn and Angela Lund.

Declaration of Elected or Acclaimed Board Chair

After collecting the votes, Stuart and Angela exited the room and counted the ballots.

Director Hewat was declared the Chair for 2024.

2.2 ELECTION OF ACTING CHAIR

Stuart Horn called for nominations the first time.

Director Marino was nominated.

Stuart Horn called for nominations a second and third time.

Declaration of Elected or Acclaimed Acting Chair

Director Marion was declared the Acting Chair by acclamation.

Destroy Ballots

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

01/24

That the emails sent for the election of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Board Chair be permanently deleted.

Carried

3. CHAIR'S ADDRESS

Chair Hewat thanked the Board for their support and looks forward to working with everyone.

4. ACTING CHAIR'S ADDRESS

Acting Chair Marino thanked the Board for their support and looks forward to working with everyone.

Chair Hewat assumed the Chair.

5. WKBRHD APPOINTMENTS

5.1 Appointment of Directors

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

02/24

That the following Regional District Directors/Alternate Directors be appointed as **Directors** of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District for 2024:

Regional District of Central Kootenay

Garry Jackman, Electoral Area A
Aimee Watson, Electoral Area D
Cheryl Graham, Electoral Area E
Tom Newell, Electoral Area F
Hans Cunningham, Electoral Area G
Walter Popoff, Electoral Area H
Andy Davidoff, Electoral Area I
Henny Hanegraaf, Electoral Area J
Teresa Weatherhead, Electoral Area K
Brian Bogle, City of Castlegar
Suzan Hewat, Village of Kaslo
Tom Zeleznik, Village of Nakusp
Keith Page, City of Nelson
Leonard Casley, Village of New Denver
Diana Lockwood, Village of Salmo
Leah Main, Village of Silverton
Ezra Buller, Village of Slocan

Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

Ali Grieve, Electoral Area A
Linda Worley, Electoral Area B
Grace McGregor, Electoral Area C
Linda Kay Wiese, Electoral Area D
Sharen Gibbs, Electoral Area E
Bill Wenman, Village of Fruitvale
Everett Baker, City of Grand Forks
Jessica McLean, City of Greenwood
Judy Willsey, Village of Midway
Don Berriault, Village of Montrose
Jeff Weaver, City of Rossland
Terry Martin, City of Trail
Frank Marino, Village of Warfield

Carried

5.2 Appointment of Alternate Directors

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

03/24

That the following Regional District Alternate Directors/Directors be appointed as **Alternate Directors** of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District for 2024:

Regional District of Central Kootenay

Gina Medhurst, Area A
Victoria McAllister, Area D
Josh Smienk, Area E
Eric White Area F
Isabelle Herzig, Area G
Amanda Verigin, Area H
Andy Ozeroff, Area I
Rick Smith, Area J
Paul Peterson, Area K
Maria McFaddin, City of Castlegar
Robert Lang, Village of Kaslo
Aidan McLaren-Caux, Village of Nakusp
Rik Logtenberg, City of Nelson
John Fyke, Village of New Denver
Jennifer Lins, Village of Salmo
Clarence Denbok, Village of Silverton

Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

Kirby Epp, Area A
Bill Edwards, Area B
Annie Rioux, Area C
Mona Mattai, Area D
Grant Harfman Area E
Steve Morissette, Village of Fruitvale
Gerry Shaw, City of Greenwood
Rod Zielinski, City of Grand Forks
Richard Dunsdon, Village of Midway
Mike Walsh, Village of Montrose
Andy Morel, City of Rossland
Colleen Jones, City of Trail
Ray Masleck, Village of Warfield

Jessica Lunn, Village of Slocan

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

04/24 That the Order of Business be changed to accommodate the delegations, with Item 7.1 Renal Services Presentation considered at this time.

Carried

ORDER OF THE AGENDA CHANGED Item 7.1 Renal Services Presentation was considered at this time.

7.1 RENAL SERVICES PRESENTATION

Donna Jansons, Renal Program Director Interior Health (IH),

Dr. Adeera Levin, Head, Division of Nephrology at UBC, Executive Director for BC Provincial Renal Agency

Dr. Marie Michaud, Nephrologist in Kelowna, BC, Renal Medical Director for Interior Health

Sarah Thomas, leads the BC Renal Agency's integrated palliative care project

Donna Jansons, Dr. Adeera Levin, Dr. M. Michaud and Sarah Thomas opened the floor for the Directors to provide comment or ask questions:

The following was discussed:

- the community advocacy in the Nelson and area for a kidney dialysis unit;
- the extensive travel time and costs for patients who require dialysis to go to the Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital in Trail. BC Renal and IH are looking into better support for volunteer drivers and investigating different ways to transport patients from the Nelson and Kootenay Lake areas;
- the complexities around planning for a dialysis unit in the Nelson, such as maintaining trained personnel, dedicated space and equipment, the number of patients that require ongoing care, and the impact on other services and treatment methods;
- home dialysis as a treatment option for some patients, which is common in rural and remote areas; and
- the upcoming establishment of a kidney care clinic in Nelson which might reduce demand for dialysis services.

Chair Hewat thanked the delegates for answering the Board's questions.

ORDER OF THE AGENDA RESUMED

Item 5.3 Appointment of the Executive Committee was considered at this time.

5.3 Appointment of the Executive Committee

Chair Hewat called for nominations the first time.

Directors Popoff, Page, Gibbs and Martin were nominated.

Chair Hewat called for nominations a second and third time.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

05/24

That the following Directors, in addition to the Chair and Acting Chair, are hereby appointed to the Executive Committee of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital Board for 2024:

Arrow Lakes/Slocan/Castlegar/Nakusp:	W. Popoff
Kootenay (Kaslo/Nelson/Salmo):	K. Page
Boundary:	S. Gibbs
Greater Trail:	T. Martin

Carried

6. COMMENCEMENT OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

6.1 TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We acknowledge and respect the Indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

6.2 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

06/24

That the agenda for the January 24, 2024 Board meeting be adopted with the following addenda items:

- Amend Item 11 Adjournment to become Item 12;
- Inclusion of Item 11 In Camera; and
- Inclusion of Item 9.6 Former WKBRHD Chair's Update

before circulation.

Carried

6.3 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

07/24

The minutes from the October 25, 2023 Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

7. DELEGATIONS

7.2 INTERIOR HEALTH UPDATE REPORT

Todd Mastel, Interim Corporate Director, Financial Services

Lannon DeBest, Executive Director, Clinical Operations – Kootenay Boundary

The presentation dated January 11, 2024 from Todd Mastel and Lannon DeBest, re: Interior Health Update Report, has been received.

Todd Mastel provided an Interior Health Update report and discussed the following:

- The Memorandum of Understanding goals and commitment to improve communication, transparency and engagement;
- The 2024/25 capital funding requests;
- The construction projects and equipment over and under \$100K;
- The IH wide digital health; and
- The potential costs to replace the CT Scanner before the anticipated replacement date of 2025/26.

Todd answered the Board's questions.

Lannon DeBest provide a brief overview of the IH services and activities that have taken place in 2023.

**RECESS/
RECONVENED**

The meeting recessed at 8:05 p.m. for a break and reconvened at 8:10 p.m.

8. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

No items.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 CORRESPONDENCES

9.1.1 The letter dated December 8, 2023 from Peggy Skelton, BC Rural Health Network President, re: Resignation of Vice President, has been received.

9.1.2 The letter dated January 3, 2024 from Joe Vingo, Past-President Nelson Gyro Club, re: Letter of Support Kootenay Lake Hospital Health Care Services, has been received.

9.1.3 The email dated January 9, 2024 from Norman McCarvell, Rotary Club of Nelson Co-President, re: Nelson Rotary Club Letter of Support for Hemodialysis at Kootenay Lake Hospital, has been received.

9.1.4 The letter dated January 10, 2024 from Deb Zeeben, Community First Health Co-op Chair, re: Letter of Support for Community Dialysis at Kootenay Lake Hospital, has been received.

9.1.5 The letter dated January 16, 2024 from Richard Rodman, Knights of Columbus, re: In Support of Hemodialysis for Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson, has been received.

9.2 2024 UBCM MINISTER MEETING - RENAL HEMODIALYSIS UNIT IN NELSON

Director Hewat requested a discussion regarding the Board considering a UBCM Minister Meeting to discuss the possibility of having a Renal Hemodialysis unit in Nelson.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

08/24

That the Board send a letter of support to Interior Health Authority, Minister of Health and the Premier for Renal Hemodialysis unit in Nelson.

Carried

Director Page requested a motion be put forward to address the letters and emails from Item 9.1 Correspondence.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

09/24

That the Board direct staff to send a letter to the City of Nelson with details about the proposal to develop a volunteer support program to improve the delivery of home renal services; AND FURTHER, that the city be encouraged to work with local service organizations to recruit volunteers.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

10/24

Item 9.2 2024 UBCM Minister Meeting - Renal Hemodialysis Unit In Nelson **BE REFERRED** to the March 27, 2024 WKBRHD meeting.

Carried

9.3 INTERIOR HEALTH CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024/25 FISCAL YEAR

The letter dated December 11, 2023 from Sylvia Weir, VP & Chief Financial Officer, Interior Health Authority, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

11/24

That the WKBHRD consider funding each of the items in the Interior Health Authority's 2024 funding request and that staff be directed to prepare the necessary bylaws for Board review and decision at the March 27, 2024 Board meeting.

Carried

9.4 INTERIOR HEALTH AUTHORITY CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PLANNING STATUS REPORT

The Master Summary report for January 2024 has been received from the Interior Health Authority.

9.5 WKBHRD ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SUMMARY

The WKBHRD Accounts Payable Summary report prepared by the RDCK Finance Department for October to December 2023, has been received.

9.6 FORMER WKBHRD CHAIR'S UPDATE

Former WKBHRD Chair Marino updated the Board regarding discussions he has had with community members regarding health services.

10. QUESTIONS PERIOD FOR PUBLIC & MEDIA

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 8:25 p.m.

A member of the public identified they volunteer to take patients to the Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital for dialysis and noted the following:

- there are significant costs associated, such as additional vehicle insurance and gas;
- there are many challenges with assisting the patients into vehicles, adjusting to their disabilities and the weather conditions;
- There are limited volunteers and with no support it is difficult to continue in a volunteer capacity; and
- the Board was requested to advocate for alternative transportation for patients to the hospital and not to rely on volunteers.

11. IN CAMERA

11.1 MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

12/24

In the opinion of the Board and, in accordance with Section 90 of the Community Charter the public interest so requires that persons other than DIRECTORS, ALTERNATE DIRECTORS, DELEGATIONS AND STAFF be excluded from the meeting;
AND FURTHER, in accordance with Section 90 of the Community Charter, the meeting is to be closed on the basis(es) identified in the following Subsections:

90 (1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

(m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting;

Carried

11.2 RECESS OF OPEN MEETING

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

13/24 The Open Meeting be recessed in order to conduct the Closed In Camera meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Carried

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

14/24 That the meeting adjourn at 9:02 p.m.

Carried

Suzan Hewat, Chair

Angela Lund, Recording Secretary

Interior Health
West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District
Summary of Minor Equipment Global Grant Items
(Between \$5,000 and \$100,000)
2023-24

Facility	Department	Type of Equipment	2024-25 Funding Request
Arrow Lakes Hospital	Radiology	Digital Plate	\$24,440
Boundary Hospital	Emergency	Bladder scanner	\$7,200
Boundary Hospital	Medical	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Boundary Hospital	Medical	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Boundary Hospital	Medical	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Boundary Hospital	Emergency	Defibrillator	\$8,800
Boundary Hospital	Medical	Ceiling Lifts, Bariatric	\$6,400
Castlegar and District Comm. Hlth Centre	Emergency	Defibrillator	\$8,800
Castlegar and District Comm. Hlth Centre	Laboratory	Coagulation Analyzer	\$20,000
Columbia View Lodge	Housekeeping	Auto Scrubber, Swingo	\$5,200
Columbia View Lodge	Intermediate Care	Tub	\$10,400
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Extended Care	Washer Disinfectant, Vernacare	\$4,000
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Intensive Care	Vein Finder	\$14,400
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Pediatrics	Monitoring System, Pediatric	\$28,000
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Renal Dialysis	Bariatric Bed	\$10,400
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Routine Chemistry	Blood Gas Analyzer	\$4,000
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Ultrasound	Interventional Ultrasound Machine	\$35,600
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Medical	Ceiling Lifts, Bariatric	\$6,400
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Medical	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Medical	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Surgical	Ceiling Lift	\$4,000
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Obstetrics/Gyne	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Electromyography	EMG machine	\$12,000
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Food Services	Water & Ice Machine	\$4,400
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Gen Surg/Mat	Tester, Analyzer, Electrosurgical Unit	\$6,800
Kootenay Lake Hospital	General Medical	Bed, Patient, Bariatric	\$14,400
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Pharmacy	Table Top Packager	\$19,200
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Radiology	Digital Plate 43x43 size	\$29,200
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Emergency	Ultrasound	\$33,600
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Emergency	Defibrillator/Pacemaker	\$8,800
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Medical	Bladder Scanner	\$7,200
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Medical	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Medical	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Medical	S3 Bed, Patient	\$4,000
Nelson Community Center	Primary Care Clinic	Defibrillator, Lifepak 15	\$8,800
Nelson Jubilee Manor	Intermediate Care	Tub	\$13,600
Slocan Community Health Centre	Emergency	Ventilator	\$15,200
Trail Continuing Care	Home Health General	KCI-ActiV.A.C. therapy unit	\$13,200
Talarico Place	Food Services	Steamer, Convection, Gas	\$15,200
TOTAL			\$435,640

Mr. Stuart Horn, Secretary/Treasurer
West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District
c/o Regional District of Central Kootenay
Box 590, 202 Lakeside Drive
Nelson, BC V1L 5R4

December 11, 2023

Dear Mr. Horn:

RE: CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE 2024/25 FISCAL YEAR

Please find enclosed our annual funding request for Interior Health's (IH) next fiscal year for your review. It is based on IH's 2024/25 capital budget, which has been approved by our Board. The budget is developed by prioritizing identified capital needs throughout our organization with our physicians and staff within the context of the Capital Investment Strategic Framework and the 3-5 year Capital Plan, and we look forward to sharing the details with you and answering any questions you may have.

We are continuing to focus on quality and safety standards in our capital expenditure, seeking to limit service downtime with replacements of clinical equipment, and ensuring continuity of service through replacement of key infrastructure, such as fire alarm systems and medical gas outlets. IH is also seeking to improve our resilience in the face of climate change, replacing end of life emergency generators and increasing the capacity of heating, air conditioning and ventilation systems. We have aligned our capital budget with our strategic service priorities, focusing on primary care through Urgent and Primary Care Centres and Mental Health & Substance Use, through safety initiatives, and surgical and diagnostic services with much needed equipment.

Additionally, we are maintaining the technology which forms the backbone of our work and expanding patient-facing initiatives such as digital booking.

Without these investments we risk further breakdowns and service interruptions with the real patient impact that such disruptions bring. We also risk being unable to manage our climate related emergencies and the loss of power, heat and cooling to our sites, particularly our Long-term Care sites, is an untenable risk. Finally, lack of investment in technology, including clinical support technology in areas such as Medical Imaging or Pharmacy as well as corporate and patient facing digitization opportunities would leave us further behind in our ability to address clinical demands and meet patient and community expectations.

For the 2024/25 fiscal year we are requesting funding from your Regional Hospital District (RHD) for the following projects and equipment. Please note that all capital initiatives over \$100,000 are subject to government approval.

1. Construction Projects over \$100,000

a. Fire Alarm System at Castlegar District Health Centre, Castlegar

The current system is over 40 years old, and is obsolete and at risk of failing. The system is no longer supported, and not reliable. This project will replace the entire system with one that is fully integrated into the building security system.

Interior Health would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dākelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tšilhqot'in Nations where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.

b. Building Voltage Regulation at Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson

This project will include installation of voltage regulating equipment between the utility transformer and electrical service entrance to regulate the incoming voltage from the utility provider, which is typically higher than what the site actually needs. By installing voltage regulation, building systems equipment will perform better and last longer. While this project is a priority due to the impact on our electrical infrastructure, it will also produce co-benefits of energy cost reduction and alignment with sustainability goals. Your RHD issued bylaw #375 for \$87,440, representing 40% of the cost of this project. Inflationary conditions in the construction market in British Columbia have resulted in a \$343,600 cost increase for this project and we are requesting an additional \$137,440 from your RHD to complete the project.

2. Construction Projects under \$100,000

a. Washroom Renovation, Accessible at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks

This patient room washroom is original to this 1958 building and the renovation is required to meet current infection control standards and accessibility requirements at this site. At these older facilities there are accessibility issues for patients and staff which can lead to injuries. The scope of work will include washroom enlargement for adequate access with hand hygiene sinks, toilet and infection control approved surfaces.

b. Air Handling Unit at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks

This equipment was installed in 1967 and operates to maintain temperature in patient care areas and office spaces. The unit is well past its life expectancy and has identified issues with not meeting design air flows or space temperature set points. This replacement will enhance occupant comfort, as extreme weather events have become more common.

c. Kitchen Air Handling Unit Replacement at Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo, Kaslo

The kitchen air handler unit at this site is 54 years old and feeds two areas within the hospital; the conference space in the basement and the kitchen. The air handler is equipped with a supply fan, filter bank and a water source cooling coil. The unit is past its life cycle and was not equipped with any source of heating. In the summer months the water cooled compressor struggles in high temperature conditions and in the winter, the kitchen does not have make-up air. This replacement will improve cooling for the summer, add heating for the winter, and improve reliability.

d. Packaged Air Handler Replacement at Arrow Lakes Hospital, Nakusp

Current air handlers on the roof of this site are 51 years old. As the units are past expected life cycle, repairs and downtime have been steadily increasing. The replacement of the air handlers is expected to improve patient and staff comfort, improve reliability, and increase energy efficiency.

e. Boiler Feedwater Pumps at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail

A boiler feedwater pump is a specific type of pump used to move feedwater into a steam boiler. Feedwater is water that undergoes purification or preheating and is then supplied to boilers for hot water and steam production. This project will replace two pumps from 2008 as replacement parts for the existing units are very difficult to source. The project also includes the addition of a third pump for redundancy, which will require piping changes to accommodate this backup unit.

Interior Health would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dākelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tšilhqot'in Nations where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.

3. IH-Wide Digital Health

The ongoing advancement of the IH digital platform is a key enabler of IH's ability to support health service operations, enable key strategies, improve quality and patient safety and incorporate innovation to improve effectiveness and efficiency.

This year's Digital Health Investment Plan includes continued advancements for Primary Care, implementation of technology to allow IH citizens to book and manage their own Medical Imaging appointments, and expansion and improvement of infrastructure to minimize exposure to cyber attacks. Digital Health resources are key enablers of Primary Care transformation through expansion of patient Electronic Medical Record implementations, now in year 5 of a multi-year project.

Digitizing the booking process will enable patients to book X-ray appointments online at their convenience through MyHealthPortal, creating administrative efficiencies, reducing the risk of lost paper requisitions, enabling faster booking of appointments, and improving the patient experience.

Infrastructure expansions will establish network diversity at IH sites thereby improving our ability to maintain network connectivity during wildfires, floods, or other emergencies and will provide additional capacity to more efficiently access cloud-based services. This project will significantly improve the resiliency and capacity of IH hospitals' connectivity to our datacenter and cloud resources. In addition, server capacity expansion and upgrades will refresh end-of-life infrastructure that hosts IH files to mitigate the risk of extended service outages.

This project is an IH-wide initiative costing approximately \$12.7 million. The project's benefits are distributed equally across IH regions; therefore, the cost allocation to each of the seven RHDs is based upon population data using the PEOPLE 2022, BC Statistics. The West Kootenay Boundary RHD's percentage ratio is approximately 10%. Claims on this project will be calculated using this percentage for the actual cost distribution.

4. Equipment over \$100,000

Please note that pictures shown below are for illustrative purposes only and may not depict the actual equipment to be purchased by IH, which will be established during the procurement process.

a. Waste and Cardboard Compactor for Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson

This environmentally friendly piece of equipment will improve safety and increase efficiency in the process of waste elimination at this site. It will include a new commercial compactor/packer roll off combo, container, walk-on dock, container stand assembly, controls for the hydraulic system and electrical supply. Renovations will provide safe access to the compactor, add a dock cover and lighting to address staff, public and contractor safety.



Your RHD approved \$129,600 of funding on bylaw #321 toward this project. Renovation cost estimates are higher than the initial budget due to inflationary impacts in the construction industry. The budget has increased by \$198,000 and we are requesting your RHD to contribute an additional \$79,200 to enable us to complete this project.

Interior Health would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dākelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tšilhqot'in Nations where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.

b. Steam Sterilizer for Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail

Steam sterilizers are an essential part of the sterilization process performed by the Medical Device Reprocessing (MDR) department. These units are designed for fast, efficient terminal sterilization of heat- and moisture-stable materials. This purchase will replace a 2003 model in the Operating Room. The new unit will be relocated to the MDR department.



c. Mammography Breast Imaging Specimen System at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH), Trail

This equipment is used to image tissue samples, which is required for breast biopsies and fine-wire localization procedures. This site's machine requires immediate replacement as the 2013 unit is currently broken and KBRH is the only facility in the Kootenay Boundary area to perform this procedure. Without this specialized equipment, patients within the region will have to travel to the Okanagan or East Kootenay.



5. Equipment under \$100,000 (Global Grant)

We are requesting global funding for equipment under \$100,000.

A financial summary of our funding requests is provided in Appendix 1. We would appreciate it if you could submit these requests to your Board for consideration. Please advise us of the meeting date when they will be discussed to enable us to have IH representatives attend and to answer questions that may arise. If the requests should receive approval, please send Cindy Rephin, Corporate Director, Capital Finance & Controller copies of the relevant bylaws for our records.

We thank you for your on-going support of our capital initiatives. If you require further information, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Todd Mastel, Corporate Director, Business Operations or me directly.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Weir
CFO & VP Corporate Services

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Encl. Appendix 1 ~ Summary of Regional Health District Funding Request for 2024/25

cc: Frank Marino, Chair, WKBRHD

Interior Health would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dákelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tšilhqot'in Nations where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.

Interior Health
West Kootenay Boundary
Summary of Regional Hospital District Funding Request
for 2024/25

Appendix 1
Item 6.1

Facility	Location	Equipment/Project Description	Total Budget	RHD Share	Previous RHD Approval		2024/25 Funding Request
					Amount	B/L #	
<u>Construction Projects over \$100,000</u>							
Castlegar District Health Centre	Castlegar	Fire Alarm System	\$ 1,375,250	\$ 550,100			\$ 550,100
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Nelson	Building Voltage Regulation	562,201	224,880	\$ 87,440	375	137,440
<u>Construction Projects under \$100,000</u>							
Boundary Hospital	Grand Forks	Washroom Renovation, Accessible	96,000	38,400			38,400
Boundary Hospital	Grand Forks	Air Handling Unit	99,000	39,600			39,600
Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo	Kaslo	Kitchen Air Handling Unit Replacement	75,000	30,000			30,000
Arrow Lakes Hospital	Nakusp	Packaged Air Handler Replacement	85,000	34,000			34,000
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Trail	Boiler Feedwater Pumps	99,900	39,960			39,960
<u>IH-Wide Digital Health</u>							
Regional		Various	1,288,250	515,300			515,300
<u>Equipment over \$100,000</u>							
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Nelson	Waste and Cardboard Compactor	522,000	208,800	129,600	321	79,200
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Trail	Steam Sterilizer	129,699	51,880			51,880
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Trail	Mammography Breast Imaging Specimen System	135,000	54,000			54,000
<u>Equipment under \$100,000 (Global Grant)</u>							
All Facilities		Equipment under \$100,000	1,089,100	435,640			435,640
TOTAL			\$ 5,556,400	2,222,560	\$ 217,040		\$ 2,005,520

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 408

A Bylaw to the fund the Fire Alarm System at Castlegar District Health Centre, Castlegar

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Fire Alarm System at Castlegar District Health Centre, Castlegar, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1 The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$550,100 for the Fire Alarm System at Castlegar District Health Centre, Castlegar.
- 2 The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling five hundred fifty thousand one hundred (\$550,100) Dollars.
- 3 The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4 This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 408, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of
**“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District
Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 408, 2024”** of the
Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 409

A Bylaw to the fund the Building Voltage Regulation at Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for Building Voltage Regulation at Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1 The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$137,440 for the Building Voltage Regulation at Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson.
- 2 The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling one hundred thirty seven thousand four hundred forty (\$137,440) Dollars.
- 3 The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4 This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 409, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 409, 2024”** of the Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 410

A Bylaw to the fund the Washroom Renovation, Accessible at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for Washroom Renovation, Accessible at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1 The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$38,400 for the Washroom Renovation, Accessible at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks.
- 2 The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling thirty eight thousand four hundred (\$38,400) Dollars.
- 3 The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4 This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 410, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 410, 2024”** of the Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 411

A Bylaw to the fund the Air Handling Unit at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Air Handling Unit at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1** The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$39,600 for the Air Handling Unit at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks.
- 2** The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling thirty nine thousand six hundred (\$39,600) Dollars.
- 3** The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4** This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 411, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of
**“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District
Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 411, 2024”** of the
Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 412

A Bylaw to the fund the Kitchen Air Handling Unit Replacement at Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo, Kaslo

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Kitchen Air Handling Unit Replacement at Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo, Kaslo, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1** The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$30,000 for the Kitchen Air Handling Unit Replacement at Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo, Kaslo.
- 2** The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling thirty thousand (\$30,000) Dollars.
- 3** The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4** This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 412, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 412, 2024”** of the Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20 ____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 413

A Bylaw to the fund the Packaged Air Handler Replacement at Arrow Lakes Hospital, Nakusp

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Packaged Air Handler Replacement at Arrow Lakes Hospital, Nakusp, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1** The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$34,000 for the Packaged Air Handler Replacement at Arrow Lakes Hospital, Nakusp.
- 2** The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling thirty four thousand (\$34,000) Dollars.
- 3** The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4** This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 413, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of
**“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District
Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 413, 2024”** of the
Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 414

A Bylaw to the fund the Boiler Feedwater Pumps at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Boiler Feedwater Pumps at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1** The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$39,960 for the Boiler Feedwater Pumps at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail.
- 2** The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling thirty nine thousand nine hundred sixty (\$39,960) Dollars.
- 3** The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4** This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 414, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of
**“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District
Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 414, 2024”** of the
Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 415

A Bylaw to the fund the Interior Health - Wide Digital Health

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Interior Health - Wide Digital Health, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1** The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$ 515,300 for the Interior Health - Wide Digital Health.
- 2** The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling five hundred fifteen thousand three hundred (\$515,300) Dollars.
- 3** The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4** This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 415, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 415, 2024”** of the Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 416

A Bylaw to the fund the Waste and Cardboard Compactor for Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Waste and Cardboard Compactor for Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1 The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$79,200 for the Waste and Cardboard Compactor for Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson.
- 2 The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling seventy nine thousand two hundred (\$79,200) Dollars.
- 3 The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4 This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 416, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 416, 2024”** of the Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 417

A Bylaw to the fund the Steam Sterilizer for Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Steam Sterilizer for Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the Hospital District Act the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the Hospital District Act the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1 The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$ 51,880 for the Steam Sterilizer for Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail.
2 The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling fifty one thousand eight hundred eighty (\$51,880) Dollars.
3 The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
4 This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 417, 2024"

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DATED this ___ day of _____, 20___

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 418

A Bylaw to the fund the Mammography Breast Imaging Specimen System at Kootenay
Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH), Trail

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Mammography Breast Imaging Specimen System at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH), Trail, hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1** The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$54,000 for the Mammography Breast Imaging Specimen System at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH), Trail.
- 2** The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling fifty four thousand (\$54,000) Dollars.
- 3** The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4** This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 418, 2024”**

READ A FIRST TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

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Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

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Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 418, 2024”** of the
Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Bylaw No. 419

A Bylaw to the fund the Equipment under \$100,000 (Global Grant)

WHEREAS the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money to provide local contribution of a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority for capital expenditure for the Equipment under \$100,000 (Global Grant), hereafter referred to as the capital expenditure described in Section 1 and Section 2;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District has adopted an annual budget bylaw that has made provision for the capital expenditure;

AND WHEREAS by way of Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act* the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District must prepare and enact a capital bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Board of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1 The Board hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of money necessary to provide a conditional grant to the Interior Health Authority of \$ 435,640 for the Equipment under \$100,000 (Global Grant).
- 2 The Board authorizes and approves the expenditure of money totaling four hundred thirty five thousand six hundred forty (\$435,640) Dollars.
- 3 The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle the terms and conditions of the expenditure.
- 4 This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 419, 2024”**

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READ A SECOND TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27 day of March, 2024.

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the votes cast this 27 day of March, 2024.

Suzan Hewat, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of **“West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 419, 2024”** of the Bylaws of the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20____

Mike Morrison, Deputy-Secretary



TO: WKBRHD BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: Stuart Horn, WKBRHD Secretary/Treasurer
SUBJECT: Draft 2024 Budget Scenarios and Bylaw 372 Borrowing
DATE: March 27, 2024 Open Regular Meeting

Purpose

This report is to provide a summary of the 2023 year and propose options for the Board to consider for Budget 2024.

Highlights for 2023

- In 2023 further work was completed on KBRH Phase 2 (\$1.1 million left in available funds on the bylaw)
- Total contributions from the WKBRHD to IHA was approximately \$4.4 million (2022 - \$7.4 million)
- The cash flow position for the WKBRHD was one that has allowed staff to hold off on the borrowing for the major KBRH work and save significant interest costs. This borrowing will have to occur in 2024 but at Board direction could be lower than the contemplated \$15.5 million.
- The funds marked to come from reserve in 2023 were not required based on the IHA billing.
- In 2024 the ask from IHA is much lower (\$2m) than in prior years.
- The Board has the following decisions to make
 - Taxation levels in a year with a low IHA ask, but future debt payments that could be north of \$700,000 a year depending on interest rates.
 - The borrowing will need to be pulled in 2024 however the Board does not need to pull the full \$15.5 million.
 - How much to put into reserves

Budget 2024 Considerations

1. Taxation level

Staff has provided three budget scenarios for the Board's consideration. Scenarios are for either a tax reduction, flat taxation or a small increase.

Due to the borrowing costs that will start in 2025, and the lower than usual ask from IHA this year, the expectation is that there will be a tax increase in 2025 regardless of the scenario the Board chooses and could be significant.

A. Taxation reduced by 5% from 2023 with a contribution to reserve of \$623,393

Pros

- Likely a decrease in taxation for most homeowners due to non market change in assessments
- Borrowing for KBRH Phase 2 will start in 2024 with loan payments in excess of \$700,000 per year starting in 2025 (assumes lower borrowing amount). The reserve contribution in 2024 will allow flexibility to cover this loan payment and IHA asks in future years.

Cons

- Based on the recent inconsistency of IHA asks from year to year, a large tax increase could be needed in 2025.

B. Taxation equal to that of 2023 with a contribution to reserve of \$864,740

Pros

- Same as Scenario A, although with a smaller decrease in taxation.
- Healthy contribution to reserve.

Cons

- Same as scenario A.

C. Taxation increased by 5% from 2023 with a contribution to reserve of \$1,106,092

Pros

- With the expectation of the debt payments in 2025 and a budget increase, the taxation lift is potentially smoothed for future years.
- The 5% increase, while not insignificant, allows for a contribution to reserve equal to the surplus. This would mean the surplus, with all things being equal, would not have an impact on 2025 taxation increases.

Cons

- The impact to the taxpayer could be an increase in taxation, depending on assessment differences.

2. Borrowing

The WKBHRD had been running a significant surplus that was used in 2023 to manage taxation. These funds have been used to fund current projects. The original bylaw for KBRH Phase 2 approved borrowing up to \$15,510,000. Staff is recommending borrowing of \$9,819,192 which will allow the WKBHRD to meet all current obligations to IHA as of December 31, 2023.

This will save significant interest costs. At today's rates, the cost of borrowing would be \$1.1 million on a loan of \$15.5 million. At the reduced borrowing level, debt payments are currently estimated at \$701,000.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the WKBHRD Board approve budget Option B, as presented in the materials at the March 27, 2024 Open Board meeting, which includes taxation of \$4,827,032 and a contribution to reserve of \$864,740.
2. That staff be directed to borrow \$9,819,192 under bylaw 372 for Phase 2 of the Kootenay Boundary Hospital Renovations.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appendix A – 2024 Preliminary, Draft Budget Scenarios.

Appendix B – December 31, 2023 Reserve Balance with Commitments

Appendix C – Taxation Summary for Each Budget Scenario

Appendix D – IHA 23/24 Capital Ask of WKBHRD

	2023	2023		A	B	C
	Budget	Estimated Actuals	Note	2024 Scenario A Budget	2024 Scenario B Budget	2024 Scenario C Budget
REVENUE						
Tax Requisition Total	\$ 4,827,032	\$ 4,827,032		\$ 4,585,680	\$ 4,827,032	\$ 5,068,380
Contributions from Capital Reserves	514,619		1	75,191	75,191	75,191
Proceeds from borrowing	-					
- Related to Expenses Bylaw #326	12,171,390		2	9,819,192	9,819,192	9,819,192
Grants in Lieu of Taxes	8,500	12,814		8,500	8,500	8,500
Investment Income	35,000	142,993		140,000	140,000	140,000
MFA Actuarial adjustment	-	-		-	-	-
Accumulated Surplus - Operating Fund	714,822	714,822	3	1,131,377	1,131,377	1,131,377
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 18,271,363	\$ 5,697,661		\$ 15,759,941	\$ 16,001,292	\$ 16,242,641
EXPENDITURES						
Capital Grants:						
<i>Section 20(3) Expenditures:</i>						
A. Commitments from prior periods	\$ 10,799,209		4	\$ 13,005,732	\$ 13,005,732	\$ 13,005,732
B. Current Projects for Hospitals & Hospital Facilities	6,965,000	3,983,090	5	1,569,880	1,569,880	1,569,880
B.1 Minor Equipment Global Grant	388,400	388,400	5	435,640	435,640	435,640
B.2 KBRH Phase 1	-	-				
F. Contributions to Capital Reserve Fund	-		6	623,393	864,740	1,106,092
Total Capital Grants	\$ 18,152,609	\$ 4,371,490		\$ 15,634,645	\$ 15,875,992	\$ 16,117,344
Other Expenses						
<i>Section 17(2) Expenditures</i>						
Administration Agreement	\$ 80,000	\$ 163,520		\$ 88,443	\$ 88,443	\$ 88,443
Director Remuneration	16,000	12,718		15,000	15,000	15,000
Director Travel Expenses	4,000	766		2,000	2,000	2,000
External Audit	7,000	7,000		7,000	7,000	7,000
Computer Software	8,778	8,778		8,778	8,778	8,778
Insurance	725	825		825	825	825
Office Supplies	251	1,186		1,250	1,250	1,250
Meeting Expense	2,000	-		2,000	2,003	2,000
Total Other Expenses	\$ 118,754	\$ 194,793		\$ 125,296	\$ 125,299	\$ 125,296
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 18,271,363	\$ 4,566,284		\$ 15,759,941	\$ 16,001,291	\$ 16,242,640
Surplus/Deficit	\$ -	\$ 1,131,377		\$ (0)	\$ 0	\$ (0)

	A	B	C
	2024	2024	2024
	Scenario A	Scenario B	Scenario C
	Budget	Budget	Budget

Residential Property Tax per \$1,000 of Assessment		0.1468	0.1545	0.1622
	Assesment			
	\$ 100,000	\$14.68	\$15.45	\$16.22
	200,000	29.36	30.90	32.45
	250,000	36.70	38.63	40.56
	300,000	44.04	46.36	48.67
	350,000	51.38	54.08	56.79
	400,000	58.72	61.81	64.90

- Notes**
1. The value in 2023 is the 2023 spend on all projects approved by the Board to come from reserves (Arrow Lakes, KBRH Phase 1, Ortho Template, KLH MRI) 2024 budget shows the remaining amount under the bylaws for all of those projects.
 2. The total budget for KBRH Phase 2 is shown here as proceeds from borrowing. Staff has held off on submitting the borrowing for KBRH Phase 2 to date (\$14,377,375) as there was sufficient funds to cover expenses. The entire borrowing will occur in 2023 which will include the remaining spend of \$1,113,625.
 3. 2022 Prior Year Surplus is reconciled per the 2021 Financial statements for amounts owed to/from Capital Fund. 2023 is the current estimate.
 4. This amount is what is remaining, in its entirety, of committed projects from 2022 and prior. As we cannot accurately estimate when amounts will be billed from IHA, the total is included.
 5. These two amounts are the 2024 Capital ask from IHA, with the Minor Equipment Grant separated.
 6. See Appendix B for current reserve balances.

Appendix B

West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District

March 27, 2024 Open Regular Meeting

Reserve Reconciliation as at December 31, 2023 with projected commitments.

	<u>Amount (\$)</u>
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 6,077,091
Bylaws 277, 279, 303, 304, 305 and 331 Spend in 2022	<u>48</u>
	<u>6,077,043</u>
Contribution to Reserve - 2023	-
Balance at December 31, 2023	<u>6,077,043</u>
Remaining Bylaws 277, 279, 303, and 304 (assume spend in 2024)	75,191
Reserve Balance after Current Board Commitments	<u>\$ 6,001,852</u>

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Notes:

Commitments are based on adopted bylaws to date. The Board has authorized KBRH Phase 1 (Bylaws 277 and 303), Arrow Lakes Hospital (Bylaw 279), Ortho Efficiency Software (Bylaw 304) and an Ultrasound Machine at Kootenay Lake Hospital (Bylaws 305 and 331) to be paid from reserves. Bylaws 305 and 331 have been closed.

No further contributions to reserve have been included absent Board direction.

Phase 2 was intended to be funded by long term borrowing by the Board.

Municipality Electoral Area		2024 Converted Assessments	Scenario A	Senario B	Scenario C	2023 Taxation
Regional District of Central Kootenay 06-CK						
06-CK	Castlegar	286,949,972	\$ 421,224	\$ 443,393	\$ 465,563	\$ 453,499
06-CK	Nelson	429,070,620	629,845	663,001	696,146	714,722
06-CK	Kaslo	36,680,717	53,845	56,679	59,513	53,482
06-CK	New Denver	18,926,586	27,783	29,245	30,707	24,478
06-CK	Nakusp	45,393,695	66,635	70,142	73,649	68,325
06-CK	Salmo	23,480,409	34,468	36,282	38,096	34,996
06-CK	Silverton	8,573,269	12,585	13,247	13,910	11,881
06-CK	Slocan	11,334,467	16,638	17,514	18,390	14,544
		860,409,735	1,263,023	1,329,503	1,395,974	1,375,927
06-CK	Area A (portion)	58,930,056	86,505	91,058	95,611	85,071
06-CK	Area D	67,846,066	99,594	104,835	110,077	93,298
06-CK	Area E	169,089,107	248,212	261,275	274,339	266,512
06-CK	Area F	155,933,832	228,901	240,948	252,995	250,439
06-CK	Area G	64,040,055	94,007	98,954	103,902	99,216
06-CK	Area H	146,669,237	215,301	226,632	237,964	218,064
06-CK	Area I	71,630,754	105,149	110,683	116,217	113,460
06-CK	Area J	109,168,899	160,253	168,687	177,121	163,896
06-CK	Area K	74,614,420	109,529	115,294	121,058	109,026
		917,922,426	1,347,451	1,418,366	1,489,284	1,398,982
Central Kootenay Subtotal		1,778,332,161	2,610,474	2,747,869	2,885,258	2,774,909
Regional District of Columbia-Shuswap 08-CS						
08-CS	Area B	12,558,524	18,435	19,405	20,376	19,169
Columbia-Shuswap Subtotal		12,558,524	18,435	19,405	20,376	19,169

Municipality Electoral Area	2024 Converted Assessments	Scenario A	Senario B	Scenario C	2023 Taxation
Regional District of Kootenay Boundary 16-KB					
16-KB Grand Forks	113,591,167	166,744	175,520	184,296	175,260
16-KB Greenwood	14,238,564	20,901	22,001	23,101	22,955
16-KB Rossland	153,685,680	225,600	237,474	249,348	225,144
16-KB Trail	270,086,211	396,469	417,335	438,202	432,517
16-KB Fruitvale	40,385,590	59,283	62,404	65,524	62,224
16-KB Midway	19,170,356	28,141	29,622	31,103	30,933
16-KB Montrose	21,452,298	31,491	33,148	34,805	34,729
16-KB Warfield	34,180,326	50,174	52,815	55,456	55,249
	666,790,192	978,803	1,030,319	1,081,835	1,039,011
16-KB Area A	105,044,938	154,199	162,315	170,430	170,508
16-KB Area B	69,706,080	102,324	107,709	113,095	104,876
16-KB Area C	133,196,009	195,523	205,814	216,104	195,927
16-KB Area D	93,250,015	136,885	144,089	151,294	140,308
16-KB Area E	265,023,362	389,037	409,512	429,988	382,324
	666,220,404	977,968	1,029,439	1,080,911	993,943
Kootenay Boundary Subtotal	1,333,010,596	1,956,771	2,059,758	2,162,746	2,032,954
WKBRHD Total	3,123,901,281	4,585,680	4,827,032	5,068,380	4,827,032
	Requisition	\$ 4,585,680	\$ 4,827,032	\$ 5,068,380	\$ 4,827,032
	Change from 2023	-5.0%	0.0%	5.0%	
Residential Property Tax per \$1,000 of Assessment		0.1468	0.1545	0.1622	0.1829
	100,000	\$ 14.68	\$ 15.45	\$ 16.22	\$ 18.29
	200,000	29.36	30.90	32.44	36.58
	250,000	36.70	38.63	40.55	45.73
	300,000	44.04	46.35	48.66	54.87
	350,000	51.38	54.08	56.77	64.02
	400,000	58.72	61.80	64.88	73.16

Mr. Stuart Horn, Secretary/Treasurer
West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District
c/o Regional District of Central Kootenay
Box 590, 202 Lakeside Drive
Nelson, BC V1L 5R4

December 11, 2023

Dear Mr. Horn:

RE: CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE 2024/25 FISCAL YEAR

Please find enclosed our annual funding request for Interior Health's (IH) next fiscal year for your review. It is based on IH's 2024/25 capital budget, which has been approved by our Board. The budget is developed by prioritizing identified capital needs throughout our organization with our physicians and staff within the context of the Capital Investment Strategic Framework and the 3-5 year Capital Plan, and we look forward to sharing the details with you and answering any questions you may have.

We are continuing to focus on quality and safety standards in our capital expenditure, seeking to limit service downtime with replacements of clinical equipment, and ensuring continuity of service through replacement of key infrastructure, such as fire alarm systems and medical gas outlets. IH is also seeking to improve our resilience in the face of climate change, replacing end of life emergency generators and increasing the capacity of heating, air conditioning and ventilation systems. We have aligned our capital budget with our strategic service priorities, focusing on primary care through Urgent and Primary Care Centres and Mental Health & Substance Use, through safety initiatives, and surgical and diagnostic services with much needed equipment.

Additionally, we are maintaining the technology which forms the backbone of our work and expanding patient-facing initiatives such as digital booking.

Without these investments we risk further breakdowns and service interruptions with the real patient impact that such disruptions bring. We also risk being unable to manage our climate related emergencies and the loss of power, heat and cooling to our sites, particularly our Long-term Care sites, is an untenable risk. Finally, lack of investment in technology, including clinical support technology in areas such as Medical Imaging or Pharmacy as well as corporate and patient facing digitization opportunities would leave us further behind in our ability to address clinical demands and meet patient and community expectations.

For the 2024/25 fiscal year we are requesting funding from your Regional Hospital District (RHD) for the following projects and equipment. Please note that all capital initiatives over \$100,000 are subject to government approval.

1. Construction Projects over \$100,000

a. Fire Alarm System at Castlegar District Health Centre, Castlegar

The current system is over 40 years old, and is obsolete and at risk of failing. The system is no longer supported, and not reliable. This project will replace the entire system with one that is fully integrated into the building security system.

Interior Health would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dākelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tšilhqot'in Nations where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.

b. Building Voltage Regulation at Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson

This project will include installation of voltage regulating equipment between the utility transformer and electrical service entrance to regulate the incoming voltage from the utility provider, which is typically higher than what the site actually needs. By installing voltage regulation, building systems equipment will perform better and last longer. While this project is a priority due to the impact on our electrical infrastructure, it will also produce co-benefits of energy cost reduction and alignment with sustainability goals. Your RHD issued bylaw #375 for \$87,440, representing 40% of the cost of this project. Inflationary conditions in the construction market in British Columbia have resulted in a \$343,600 cost increase for this project and we are requesting an additional \$137,440 from your RHD to complete the project.

2. Construction Projects under \$100,000

a. Washroom Renovation, Accessible at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks

This patient room washroom is original to this 1958 building and the renovation is required to meet current infection control standards and accessibility requirements at this site. At these older facilities there are accessibility issues for patients and staff which can lead to injuries. The scope of work will include washroom enlargement for adequate access with hand hygiene sinks, toilet and infection control approved surfaces.

b. Air Handling Unit at Boundary Hospital, Grand Forks

This equipment was installed in 1967 and operates to maintain temperature in patient care areas and office spaces. The unit is well past its life expectancy and has identified issues with not meeting design air flows or space temperature set points. This replacement will enhance occupant comfort, as extreme weather events have become more common.

c. Kitchen Air Handling Unit Replacement at Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo, Kaslo

The kitchen air handler unit at this site is 54 years old and feeds two areas within the hospital; the conference space in the basement and the kitchen. The air handler is equipped with a supply fan, filter bank and a water source cooling coil. The unit is past its life cycle and was not equipped with any source of heating. In the summer months the water cooled compressor struggles in high temperature conditions and in the winter, the kitchen does not have make-up air. This replacement will improve cooling for the summer, add heating for the winter, and improve reliability.

d. Packaged Air Handler Replacement at Arrow Lakes Hospital, Nakusp

Current air handlers on the roof of this site are 51 years old. As the units are past expected life cycle, repairs and downtime have been steadily increasing. The replacement of the air handlers is expected to improve patient and staff comfort, improve reliability, and increase energy efficiency.

e. Boiler Feedwater Pumps at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail

A boiler feedwater pump is a specific type of pump used to move feedwater into a steam boiler. Feedwater is water that undergoes purification or preheating and is then supplied to boilers for hot water and steam production. This project will replace two pumps from 2008 as replacement parts for the existing units are very difficult to source. The project also includes the addition of a third pump for redundancy, which will require piping changes to accommodate this backup unit.

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3. IH-Wide Digital Health

The ongoing advancement of the IH digital platform is a key enabler of IH's ability to support health service operations, enable key strategies, improve quality and patient safety and incorporate innovation to improve effectiveness and efficiency.

This year's Digital Health Investment Plan includes continued advancements for Primary Care, implementation of technology to allow IH citizens to book and manage their own Medical Imaging appointments, and expansion and improvement of infrastructure to minimize exposure to cyber attacks. Digital Health resources are key enablers of Primary Care transformation through expansion of patient Electronic Medical Record implementations, now in year 5 of a multi-year project.

Digitizing the booking process will enable patients to book X-ray appointments online at their convenience through MyHealthPortal, creating administrative efficiencies, reducing the risk of lost paper requisitions, enabling faster booking of appointments, and improving the patient experience.

Infrastructure expansions will establish network diversity at IH sites thereby improving our ability to maintain network connectivity during wildfires, floods, or other emergencies and will provide additional capacity to more efficiently access cloud-based services. This project will significantly improve the resiliency and capacity of IH hospitals' connectivity to our datacenter and cloud resources. In addition, server capacity expansion and upgrades will refresh end-of-life infrastructure that hosts IH files to mitigate the risk of extended service outages.

This project is an IH-wide initiative costing approximately \$12.7 million. The project's benefits are distributed equally across IH regions; therefore, the cost allocation to each of the seven RHDs is based upon population data using the PEOPLE 2022, BC Statistics. The West Kootenay Boundary RHD's percentage ratio is approximately 10%. Claims on this project will be calculated using this percentage for the actual cost distribution.

4. Equipment over \$100,000

Please note that pictures shown below are for illustrative purposes only and may not depict the actual equipment to be purchased by IH, which will be established during the procurement process.

a. Waste and Cardboard Compactor for Kootenay Lake Hospital, Nelson

This environmentally friendly piece of equipment will improve safety and increase efficiency in the process of waste elimination at this site. It will include a new commercial compactor/packer roll off combo, container, walk-on dock, container stand assembly, controls for the hydraulic system and electrical supply. Renovations will provide safe access to the compactor, add a dock cover and lighting to address staff, public and contractor safety.



Your RHD approved \$129,600 of funding on bylaw #321 toward this project. Renovation cost estimates are higher than the initial budget due to inflationary impacts in the construction industry. The budget has increased by \$198,000 and we are requesting your RHD to contribute an additional \$79,200 to enable us to complete this project.

Interior Health would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dākelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tšilhqot'in Nations where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.

b. Steam Sterilizer for Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital, Trail

Steam sterilizers are an essential part of the sterilization process performed by the Medical Device Reprocessing (MDR) department. These units are designed for fast, efficient terminal sterilization of heat- and moisture-stable materials. This purchase will replace a 2003 model in the Operating Room. The new unit will be relocated to the MDR department.

**c. Mammography Breast Imaging Specimen System at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH), Trail**

This equipment is used to image tissue samples, which is required for breast biopsies and fine-wire localization procedures. This site's machine requires immediate replacement as the 2013 unit is currently broken and KBRH is the only facility in the Kootenay Boundary area to perform this procedure. Without this specialized equipment, patients within the region will have to travel to the Okanagan or East Kootenay.

**5. Equipment under \$100,000 (Global Grant)**

We are requesting global funding for equipment under \$100,000.

A financial summary of our funding requests is provided in Appendix 1. We would appreciate it if you could submit these requests to your Board for consideration. Please advise us of the meeting date when they will be discussed to enable us to have IH representatives attend and to answer questions that may arise. If the requests should receive approval, please send Cindy Rephin, Corporate Director, Capital Finance & Controller copies of the relevant bylaws for our records.

We thank you for your on-going support of our capital initiatives. If you require further information, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Todd Mastel, Corporate Director, Business Operations or me directly.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Weir
CFO & VP Corporate Services

/at

Encl. Appendix 1 ~ Summary of Regional Health District Funding Request for 2024/25

cc: Frank Marino, Chair, WKBRHD

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Interior Health
West Kootenay Boundary
Summary of Regional Hospital District Funding Request
for 2024/25

Facility	Location	Equipment/Project Description	Total Budget	RHD Share	Previous RHD Approval		2024/25 Funding Request
					Amount	B/L #	
<u>Construction Projects over \$100,000</u>							
Castlegar District Health Centre	Castlegar	Fire Alarm System	\$ 1,375,250	\$ 550,100			\$ 550,100
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Nelson	Building Voltage Regulation	562,201	224,880	\$ 87,440	375	137,440
<u>Construction Projects under \$100,000</u>							
Boundary Hospital	Grand Forks	Washroom Renovation, Accessible	96,000	38,400			38,400
Boundary Hospital	Grand Forks	Air Handling Unit	99,000	39,600			39,600
Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo	Kaslo	Kitchen Air Handling Unit Replacement	75,000	30,000			30,000
Arrow Lakes Hospital	Nakusp	Packaged Air Handler Replacement	85,000	34,000			34,000
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Trail	Boiler Feedwater Pumps	99,900	39,960			39,960
<u>IH-Wide Digital Health</u>							
Regional		Various	1,288,250	515,300			515,300
<u>Equipment over \$100,000</u>							
Kootenay Lake Hospital	Nelson	Waste and Cardboard Compactor	522,000	208,800	129,600	321	79,200
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Trail	Steam Sterilizer	129,699	51,880			51,880
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital	Trail	Mammography Breast Imaging Specimen System	135,000	54,000			54,000
<u>Equipment under \$100,000 (Global Grant)</u>							
All Facilities		Equipment under \$100,000	1,089,100	435,640			435,640
TOTAL			\$ 5,556,400	2,222,560	\$ 217,040		\$ 2,005,520



CITY OF NELSON

December 13th, 2023Sent via email to: mmorrison@rdck.bc.ca

West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District Board,

I am writing to bring your attention to the pressing need for a dialysis service within the City of Nelson. Residents of Nelson facing kidney-related illnesses travel to Trail, a 2 hour round trip of travel, to receive dialysis treatments. This situation not only places a significant emotional and physical strain on an individual but also places substantial financial costs on both the patients and their families.

The City of Nelson believes in prioritizing the health and well-being of its residents. It is with this commitment in mind that I am reaching out to advocate for the creation of a local dialysis service in Nelson. This initiative is not only vital for the convenience of our residents but is also a crucial step towards ensuring accessible and affordable healthcare within our community.

The necessity for a dialysis service in Nelson is underscored by the financial burden placed on residents who travel to Trail for treatment. The expenses associated with transportation, accommodation, and potential loss of income impose an undue hardship on those already dealing with the challenges of kidney-related illnesses.

I appreciate your attention to this matter and your dedication to the well-being of our community. Together, we can work towards creating a healthcare environment locally that truly meets the needs of the people we serve.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Janice Morrison

Mayor, City of Nelson

Cc: Interior Health Authority
Ministry of Health
Council

January 22, 2024

To Who It May Concern;

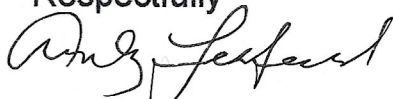
Please accept this letter of support from the Rotary Club of Nelson Daybreak for a Renal Hemodialysis Unit at Kootenay Lake Hospital. Currently, individuals in our catchment area must travel to Trail for this important regime of treatment.

Those who require renal hemodialysis live with a wide variety of challenges. They have a serious chronic illness which requires ongoing lifestyle adjustments and regular treatment. In addition to these, travel in our region is challenging at best, and risky at times. Patients in our catchment area live in rural and remote areas, such as Meadow Creek and Johnson Landing, which makes travel to Trail multiple times per week daunting, expensive and dangerous. In the winter, this trip can take many hours each way.

Although peritoneal dialysis at home may be an option for some, it is not an option for many patients for many reasons. When prescribed, hemodialysis is the best treatment modality with the best patient outcomes. Therefore, for the reason stated above, access to hemodialysis should be more readily available in Nelson and Area. It is time to correct this deficit in health care provision as communities such as Creston and Grand Forks already have this service.

Please do not look on this letter as criticism of the health care professionals in our area. They are dedicated, hardworking and collectively provide excellent service to the many communities in this area. This letter simply seeks to address a serious gap in health provision equity in our region. We urge the Interior Health Authority to give our concern serious and timely attention.

Respectfully



Andy Leathwood

President

Rotary Club of Nelson Daybreak.



Lions Club of Nelson
PO Box 492
Nelson BC V1L 5R3
nelsonlions1945@gmail.com

January 24, 2024

To: The Renal Advocacy Coalition of the Nelson Creston Riding
c/o Diana Cole

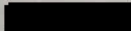
Dear Coalition Members:

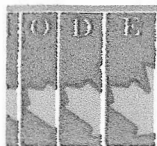
As one of the long standing service clubs in Nelson, we are concerned about the lack of hemodialysis treatment facilities in our city. For those local patients needing this treatment it is a significant burden to make multiple trips to the Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital. The time consumed, cost of transportation and additional risk factors involved (icy roads in winter, dangerously smoke-filled air in the summer) argue strongly for establishing an additional hemodialysis option in Nelson. This is of particular concern as our population ages and the number of people requiring this treatment increases. It should also be noted that Kootenay Lake Hospital serves an area extending into rural and small communities with a population equivalent to the City of Nelson itself. As examples, both Kaslo and Nakusp are over two hours' drive each way from KBRH. The Nelson Lions Club is concerned about this problem and our Executive Committee has tasked me with advocating for the establishment of hemodialysis services at Kootenay Lake Hospital.

We join a large group of non-profit organisations in urging the BC Ministry of Health and the Interior Health Authority to commit to making hemodialysis available at Kootenay Lake Hospital.

Yours truly,

Al Friend
President
Lions Club of Nelson BC





IODE Kokanee Chapter
670 Baker Street, Nelson BC V1L 4J4

*The IODE Thrift Shop,
 670 Baker Street,
 Nelson, B C ,
 V1L 6J6*

The ladies of the IODE (originally the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire) have worked on behalf of the people of Nelson for over 100 years. Our primary objectives have been Youth and Education but in the last few years we have transferred much of our support to KLDH and KERPA.

But, we are becoming increasingly concerned that Daycare services, such as community Dialysis treatment units, are being unfairly located. There are 62,000 people in the KLDH area and only 32,000 people in the KBH area yet we find that almost all the Daycare services are located in Trail.

Many Seniors have no access to transportation and having Dialysis means travelling to Trail (90K x 2) three times per week. This is a significant financial burden but, as well, there is no dedicated transportation so when a schedule is changed in Trail, imagine the impossible position of having absolutely no way home – the anxiety and stress are beyond thought!

We, the women of the IODE, believe the establishment of hemodialysis at KLDH is a critical first step in improving our greater Nelson health care services.

As always, our women look for positive solutions and since the massive new Care structure is presently being built on the old Mt. St. Francis property perhaps that is an appropriate site for the units we need and deserve?

Thank you for your consideration, the ladies of the Kokanee chapter of the IODE.

Ruth O'Bryan, Education Officer



Catholic Women's League
813 Ward St., Nelson, BC
V1L 1T4

February 27, 2024

To: Minister Adrian Dix

The Catholic Women's League of Nelson wish to express their unanimous support for hemodialysis services to be established at Kootenay Lake Hospital in Nelson. We are very concerned about the impact on renal patients' mental and physical health when they must currently travel from one to three hours each way to access hemodialysis treatment in Trail. The vast majority of renal patients in the Nelson-Creston riding reside much closer to Nelson and they would be far better served with access to hemodialysis treatment in Nelson.

Adding to the challenge is the lack of an efficient and convenient public transportation system, which creates a major obstacle to our residents' health care. As hemodialysis treatment is often required 3 times per week for several hours, any reduction in travel time would improve patient's recovery time and enhance their sense of security. This is especially true for people in the Kaslo area, who must drive 2-3 hours one way for the current hemodialysis services offered at the Trail hospital. During the winter months when there are reduced daylight hours and challenging road conditions this is an extremely dangerous journey for these patients, especially after a very tiring few hours of treatment. Unfortunately the logistics of a home dialysis treatment option are often not feasible for these patients due to lack of pure water, reliable hydro services, a proper sewage system, storage room, and reliable support.

Currently ten service groups in the Nelson area publicly support access to hemodialysis treatment at the Kootenay Lake Hospital in Nelson. Fundraising for these services could begin as soon as approval is given.

The over 90 members of the Catholic Women's League of Nelson hope that you will favourably consider and act upon all of the requests you have received for hemodialysis treatment to be established at Kootenay Lake Hospital in Nelson.

Thank you

Mary Gris
Past-President (current Acting President)
Nelson Catholic Women's League

Cc: MLA Brittny Anderson Mayor Janice Morrison Premier David Eby
Stephen Brown, Deputy Minister
Jennifer Rice, Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Health
Susan Brown, CEO of Interior Health
Dr. Doug Cochrane, Chair of the Interior Health Board of Directors
Mike Morrison, Deputy Secretary WKBR Hospital District Board
Dr. Adeera Levin, Executive Director BC Renal

West Kootenay Boundary Project Summary - March 2024

Item 7.2

Project #	Project Name/Phase Name	% Complete Status			Total Complete Date Mth/Yr	Project Status	Project Budget
		Program	Design	Const.			
West Kootenay Boundary (WKB)							
6319067	KBH Pharmacy & Ambulatory Care Project	N/A	100%	97%	Dec-24		\$32,775,000
6322054	KBH Steam Plant Retrofits	N/A	100%	20%	Jan-25		\$2,520,461
6322095	ESH Generator	N/A	100%	97%	Mar-24		\$300,000
6323067	KBH Relocate & Replace Supply Fans 12 & 13	N/A	25%	N/A	Apr-25		\$3,258,150
6323068	BDH Multizone Air Handling Unit Replacement	0%	0%	0%	Jun-25		\$641,107
6323069	CVL Chiller and Cooling Tower Replacement	N/A	0%	0%	Jun-25		\$1,317,935
6323074	KLH Laboratory Surface Replacement	N/A	10%	0%	Jul-24		\$123,500
6324038	KBH Meal Delivery System	N/A	100%	97%	Apr-24		\$917,000
6324039	KLH Medstation	N/A	N/A	0%	Oct-24		\$504,000
6324040	NEL LTC and Community Clinic Tenant Improvement	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD		\$11,500,000
6324042	NEL LTC and Community Clinic Equipment	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD		\$7,000,000
6324059	KBH Foundation Office Renovation	N/A	100%	75%	Aug-24		\$495,000
Total:							\$61,352,153

Project Status Legend	
Complete	
On Track	
Warning	
Off Track	

West Kootenay Boundary Reports

March 2024

Project Name NEL LTC and Community Clinic Tenant Improvement						Project Budget: \$11,500,000			
Project Number 6324040						RHD Contribution (Y/N): N			
Project Manager Peter B.									
% Complete Status			On Time	On Budget	Issues	Start Date	Substantial Completion		
Programming	Design	Const.	Y	Y	N	Apr-23	Original 0 Rev. # Revised		
Scope									
The Nelson Health Campus will include Community Health Services along with a long-term care facility which will provide 75 new long-term care beds along with public health, mental health and substance use, and home health services to the Nelson community. The leasehold investment is part of our plan to ensure the design reflects best practice in community-based and facility-based care, including all our learnings from COVID. This is captured in the LTC area with all single rooms, increased HVAC capacity to ensure optimal air flow, smaller neighbourhoods and separate support areas to avoid risk of cross contamination and allow for separation of neighbourhoods in the case of an outbreak. The Long-term Care Campus is expected to open in January 2025.									
Progress									
None.									
Issues									
None.									
Financial									
Actuals to March 31, 2023	Actuals YTD	Projected					Total Actuals + Projected	Projected Unspent	Variance to Budget
		FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27			
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,500,000	

Project Name NEL LTC and Community Clinic Equipment						Project Budget: \$7,000,000			
Project Number 6324042						RHD Contribution (Y/N): N			
Project Manager Peter B.									
% Complete Status			On Time	On Budget	Issues	Start Date	Substantial Completion		
Programming	Design	Const.	Y	Y	N	Apr-23	Original 0 Rev. # Revised		
Scope									
The Nelson Health Campus will include Community Health Services along with a long-term care facility. We are requesting support from the RHD of \$2.8M toward the \$7M capital equipment budget to outfit this multi-purpose campus of care which will provide 75 new long-term care beds along with public health, mental health and substance use, and home health services to the Nelson community.									
Progress									
None.									
Issues									
None.									
Financial									
Actuals to March 31, 2023	Actuals YTD	Projected					Total Actuals + Projected	Projected Unspent	Variance to Budget
		FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27			
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,000,000	

Project Name KBH Foundation Office Renovation						Project Budget: \$495,000			
Project Number 6324059						RHD Contribution (Y/N): Y			
Project Manager Ev K.									
% Complete Status			On Time	On Budget	Issues	Start Date	Substantial Completion		
Programming	Design	Const.	Y	Y	N	Jun-23	Original 0 Rev. # Revised		
	100%	75%							
Scope									
Renovation and expansion of the Hospital Foundation office at the Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital.									
Progress									
Construction activities include painting, flooring, lighting, HVAC, electrical device installation complete. Substantial Completion walk thru took place on March 14th. A number of deficiencies were identified, which the contractor is working diligently to complete deficiencies.									
Issues									
None.									
Financial									
Actuals to March 31, 2023	Actuals YTD	Projected					Total Actuals + Projected	Projected Unspent	Variance to Budget
		FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27			
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 169,815	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT
DIRECTOR STIPEND PAYMENTS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SUMMARY
January - February 2024

DIRECTOR STIPENDS (details attached)		\$	3,725.00
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (details attached)		\$	496,953.47
	TOTAL	\$	<u>500,678.47</u>

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT
DIRECTOR STIPEND PAYMENTS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SUMMARY
January - February 2024

Vendor	Date	Description	Invoice #	Amount Paid
<u>INTERIOR HEALTH</u>	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-349-35	6021024_35	\$ 32,843.27
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-365-13	6022016_13	\$ 61,063.38
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-360-10	6322000_10	\$ 22,997.26
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-402-49	6323045_49	\$ 78,912.83
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-405-4	6324038_4	\$ 21,833.99
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-317-44	B/L 317_44	\$ 23,254.34
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-348-34	B/L 348_34	\$ 377.00
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-364-11	B/L 364_11	\$ 32,000.21
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-380-7	B/L 380_7	\$ 39,796.63
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-400-1	B/L 400_1	\$ 55,361.51
	2024-01-25	WKBRHD-BYLAW-400-2	B/L 400_2	\$ 58,813.81
	2024-02-28	WKBRHD-BYLAW-313-1	6320009_1	\$ 24,132.24
	2024-02-28	WKBRHD-BYLAW-359-3	6322054_3	\$ 43,696.68
	2024-02-28	WKBRHD-BYLAW-364-12	B/L 364_12	\$ 1,512.80
	<u>OTHER</u>			
RECEIVER GENERAL	2024-01-16	WKBRHD-CRA REMITTANCE-Q4	DEC 31 2023	\$ 357.52
				<u>\$ 496,953.47</u>
			Total Accounts Payable January - February 2024	<u>\$ 496,953.47</u>

WEST KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT
 DIRECTOR STIPEND PAYMENTS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SUMMARY
 January - February 2024

Stipend

Emp.#	Name	Given Name	Chair Stipend	Travel Time	Stipend	Total
503	Cunningham	Hans			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
513	Grieve	Alison			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
516	Jackman	Garry			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
524	Popoff	Walter			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
537	McGregor	Grace			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
568	Davidoff	Andy			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
584	Hewat	Suzan	\$ 400.00		\$ 133.00	\$ 533.00
585	Newell	Thomas			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
596	Main	Leah			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
600	Edwards	William			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
658	Lockwood	Diana			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
676	Weatherhead	Teresa			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
677	Wenman	William			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
681	Zelevnik	Tom			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
693	Weaver	Jeff			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
694	Marino	Frank			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
696	Gibbs	Sharen			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
697	Baker	Everestt			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
698	Willlsey	Judith			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
699	Wiese	Linda			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
700	Smienk	Johannes			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
702	Bogle	Brian			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
703	Page	Keith			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
705	Buller	Ezra			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
706	Martin	Terry			\$ 133.00	\$ 133.00
Total Directors Stipend January - February 2024						<u>\$ 3,725.00</u>