

Spotlight

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The Rotvold Report

Chair Marguerite Rotvold and Secretary Stuart Horn will attend the Regional Hospital Districts—Interior Health meeting on April 13th in Kelowna. Chair Rotvold will invite IHA Chair Erwin Malzer and CEO Chris Mazurkewich to meet with the WKBRHD Executive Committee before the June



WKBRHD Board meeting and to attend the June Board meeting as well. Rotvold will also raise the issue of regulations imposed on small water systems. This issue is of great concern to many of the Directors, who have constituents on such systems. The Chair will also raise the issue of transportation difficulties for residents living in rural areas.



Make KBRH a Priority

The WKBRHD Board will write a letter to Minister of Health Terry Lake advocating for the immediate advancement of the Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital Service Priority Renovation Project which would allow the Interior Health Authority to proceed with the planning process as the first step to further advance the project towards establishing the final cost estimate and approval to proceed with construction.



Have Your Say!

If a community group or delegation would like to present to the WKBRHD Board at any of its meetings, please check out our delegation policy at <http://www.rdck.ca/assets/WKBR~Hospital~District/Documents/POLICY-Delegation.pdf> or contact Anitra Winje at awinje@rdck.bc.ca or 250.352.8166.



Your Budget Has Been Approved. WHAT'S NEXT?



The WKBRHD adopted its 2016 budget which will see a **0 increase in taxation and a \$1,717,500 million contribution to its reserve fund.** For a list of projects and equipment that the WKBRHD is jointly funding in 2016, see the January issue of *Spotlight* at http://www.rdck.ca/assets/WKBR~Hospital~District/2016-01_Spotlight.pdf



More Money in the Bank



The WKBRHD has been deliberating whether or not to raise the \$10 million cap on its capital reserve fund. The fund currently contains \$9.3 million. At its March 23rd meeting, the Board removed

the cap on the fund in order to accommodate the \$1,717,500 million contribution it will make in 2016. The Board uses this “rainy day” reserve to fund projects with a value greater than \$2 million. For example, capital reserve funds were used on the Kootenay Lake emergency department project.

Upcoming Meetings

June 22	Castlegar Community Complex	6 p.m.
Oct. 26	Castlegar Community Complex	6 p.m.
Nov. 23	Castlegar Community Complex	6 p.m.

Agendas & refreshments are available at the meetings.

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