



Regional District of Central Kootenay
CRESTON VALLEY SERVICES COMMITTEE
Open Meeting Addenda

Date: Thursday, August 1, 2024
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Creston and District Community Complex - Erickson Room
312 19 Avenue North, Creston, BC

Directors will have the opportunity to participate in the meeting electronically. Proceedings are open to the public.

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1. ZOOM REMOTE MEETING INFO

To promote openness, transparency and provide accessibility to the public we provide the ability to attend all RDCK meetings in-person or remote (hybrid model).

Meeting Time:

9:00 a.m. PST

Join by Video:

<https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/94286100046?pwd=c6zp0gxiayBg0aLaPff4JRbb6QSpvX.1&from=addon>

Join by Phone:

855 703 8985 Canada Toll-free

Meeting ID: 942 8610 0046

Meeting Password: 128181

In-Person Location:

Creston & District Community Complex - Creston Erickson Room
312 19th Avenue North, Creston, BC

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chair DeBoon called the meeting to order at [Time] a.m.

3. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

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

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RECOMMENDATION:

The agenda for the August 1, 2024 Creston Valley Services Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

5. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The July 4, 2024 Creston Valley Services Committee minutes, have been received.

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6. DELEGATE

6.1 CRESTON VALLEY MINOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

Adam Bourdon from Creston Valley Minor Baseball will present to the Committee regarding their request for funding.

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6.2 CRESTON VALLEY TENNIS CLUB

Robin Douville and Chris Perkin from the Creston Valley Tennis Club will present to the Committee regarding new courts at the Kinsmen Park Site.

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6.3 CRESTON COMMUNITY AUDITORIUM SOCIETY

Jason Smith from Creston Community Auditorium Society will present to the Committee regarding a request for lighting upgrades through a Community Works Fund.

7. STAFF REPORTS

7.1 CRESTON VALLEY FIRE: QUARTER 2 REPORT

The Committee Report from Jared Riel, Creston Fire Chief, re: Creston Valley Fire: 2nd Quarter Report 2024, has been received.

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7.2 CRESTON AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COMPLEX

Note: The Committee Report dated July 27, 2024 from Craig Stanley, Regional Manager Operations and Asset Management, re: CDCC Operations Report, was added to the addenda.

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8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 DISCUSSION ITEM: CRESTON VALLEY FALL FAIR SOCIETY

Tom Dool requested a discussion with the Committee regarding transportation for the Creston Valley Fall Fair.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board support the use of the Creston Valley Transit Service to provide fare free transportation between the Creston and District Community Complex (CDCC) and Creston Flats Stables during the Creston Valley Fall Fair.

9. OLD BUSINESS

9.1 REVIEW ACTION ITEM LIST

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The Committee will review the action item list from the July 4, 2024 Creston Valley Services meeting.

10. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair will call for questions from the public and members of the media at _____ a.m./p.m.

11. IN CAMERA

11.1 Meeting Closed to the Public

RECOMMENDATION:

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(n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2);

11.2 Recess of Open Meeting

RECOMMENDATION:

The Open Meeting be recessed at [Time] in order to conduct the Closed In Camera meeting.

12. NEXT MEETING

The next Creston Valley Services Committee meeting is scheduled for September 5, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

The Creston Valley Services Committee meeting be adjourned at [Time].



**Regional District of Central Kootenay
CRESTON VALLEY SERVICES COMMITTEE
Open Meeting Minutes**

**9:00 am MST
Thursday, July 4, 2024
Creston and District Community Complex - Erickson Room
312 19 Avenue North, Creston, BC**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair A. DeBoon	Town of Creston
Director G. Jackman	Electoral Area A
Director R. Tierney	Electoral Area B
Director K. Vandenberghe	Electoral Area C

RDCK STAFF PRESENT

S. Horn	Chief Administrative Officer
J. Chirico	General Manager of Community Services
S. Sudan	General Manager of Development and Community Sustainability
D. Zayonce	Regional Fire Chief
M. Moore	Creston Chief Administrative Officer
J. Jackson	Emergency Program Coordinator (Creston)
U. Wolf	General Manager of Environmental Services
C. Gainham	Utilities Services Manager
P. Marshall Smith	Sustainability Planner
R. Baril	Meeting Coordinator
C. Feeney	Corporate Administration Meeting Coordinator

GUESTS

Director A. Watson

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833 958 1164 Canada Toll-free

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3. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

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4. ADOPTION OF AGENDAMoved and seconded,
And resolved:

The agenda for the July 4, 2024 Creston Valley Services Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried**5. RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

The May 30, 2024, Creston Valley Services Committee minutes, have been received.

6. DELEGATE**6.1 CRESTON VALLEY REGIONAL AIRPORT**

Brigham Steed, President of Creston Valley Regional Airport and Melody Schneider, Treasurer of Creston Valley Regional Airport, presented the request for a backup generator at the airport to create a safety network to keep the airport functional during a power outage.

Under the Emergency Preparedness Act, the Creston Valley Regional Airport is working towards back up power. Airport should seek clarification with Union of BC Municipality (UBCM) if there are funding streams available to this project with a more detailed account of the funding request.

The successful candidate for the Creston Valley Regional Airport Economic Viability Study, HM Aero will be in Creston the week of September 23, 2024 to meet with stakeholders regarding the Airport master plan. The Town of Creston is looking at the master plan as a 3 phrase approach and a 5 year financial plan and incorporating funding for that generator into the 2025 budget cycle.

Brigham Steed and Melody Schneider answered the Committee's questions.

7. STAFF REPORTS

7.1 FOR INFORMATION: RDCK EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - QUARTER 2 REPORT

The Committee Report from Jon Jackson, Emergency Program Coordinator, re: Emergency Management Quarter 2 Report, has been received.

One incident to report: residential fire in Kaslo which the Emergency Support Services (ESS) team supported 2 individuals with emergency food, lodging, clothing and incidentals.

ESS recruitment has gone very well, interest from 40 individuals to join the team. A new Emergency Response team is being created in Procter. As well as a couple individuals with the Lower Kootenay Band, Yaqan Nukiy have come forward.

Grant funding has been successful for the emergency operations centre from the UBCM. Directors would like to understand the metrics around fire bans, and when the province issues them. Would like further discussions with UBCM surrounding the fire ban categories. In these extreme weather conditions ESS puts out a heat warning, as the first stage which then escalate to an extreme heat emergency message that would then trigger a cooling centre if the extreme weather continues.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

That Director A. Watson have freedom of the floor.

Carried

There was discussion around opening a cooling site during the heat wave over the next week.

Jon Jackson answered the Committee's questions.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 DISCUSSION ITEM: WATER GOVERNANCE INITIATIVE

The Committee Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability Planner, re: Water Governance Initiative, has been received.

Watershed Governance Initiative (WGI) is the proper direction forward and Wynndel Improvement District should be a partner in this. Concerns brought up over logging being counterintuitive with the WGI.

Yaqan Nukiy is also a partner on the WGI project. Staff have been working to ensure data is shared between the two parties and also that logging practices do not work against the initiatives.

Paris Marshall Smith and Director Watson answered the Committee's questions.

ORDER OF AGENDA CHANGED The Order of Business was changed with Item 8.5 considered at this time.

8.5 DISCUSSION ITEM: CRESTON VALLEY ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLY STUDY

The Committee Report dated June 26, 2024 from Eileen Senyk, Water Services Liaison, re: Creston Valley Alternate Supply Feasibility Study, has been received.

Chris Gainham presented the Creston Valley Alternative Water Supply study on Eileen's behalf.

Staff is looking at finalizing the multidisciplinary report towards the end of this year to provide a prioritized list of potential sources of water for agriculture.

Concerns surrounding the cost benefit analysis of this proposal, and when that might be available to the public. Note to include this item on the CVSC action plan and concerns about the farmers to be included in the conversation.

Chris Gainham answered the Committee's questions.

ORDER OF AGENDA RESUMED Item 8.2 Discussion Item: Sub-Regional Approach to Housing was considered at this time

8.2 DISCUSSION ITEM: SUB-REGIONAL APPROACH TO HOUSING

Director Vandenberg requested a discussion with the Committee around Sub-regional approach to housing.

The Town of Creston is working on plans for future sustainable projects and concerns with the Agriculture Land Reserve (ALR) complicates the efforts. There was discussion to approach UBCM to relax some of the ALR requirements so that more opportunities can be available for more development. Bill 44 amendment to our OCP, why are we restricting to two units to a lot which forces people to subdivide, if when the land can support water, sewage and multiple buildings let them be.

Suggestion to look closely if there are other uses of the land rather than agriculture. Look at percentage of existing farm doesn't make sense to include in ALR.

Suggestion to examine ALR maps to verify if land use is correctly categorized. Residential Farm Footprint is working against the housing shortage because the less farmable lands at the back of a lot you can't have a road to access. Let the housing and development be based on what the land will support. The zoning of R2, R3, R4 makes little sense, are we becoming overly restrictive. Examine ways to increase housing without encroaching on agricultural land.

This summary acts as guidance to move forward so that the conversation doesn't get lost. Request to have this added to the Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission (CVAAC) next meeting. Let modernizing legislation become a priority if the province is serious about housing.

8.3 2024 FINANCIAL PLAN AMENDMENT - S174 LISTER CEMETERY

Moved and seconded,

And resolved that it be recommended to the Board:

That it be recommended to the Board that the 2024 Financial Plan for S174 Cemetery – Creston, A, B and C be amended to increase Grants by \$3,500 and decrease accumulated surplus by \$3,500 for the 2024 Grant to the Lister Community Cemetery, AND FURTHER, that the Board approve the payment of \$3,500 to the Lister Community Cemetery subject to the receipt of the required documentation being submitted to the RDCK finance department.

Carried

ORDER OF AGENDA CHANGED The Order of Business was changed with Item 9.1 considered at this time.

9. OLD BUSINESS

9.1 REQUEST FOR FUNDING: CRESTON VALLEY LEGION HALL

The grant request and financials from Signe Miller, Creston Valley Legion Hall, with more information as per request re: Grant application for concrete repairs for handicapable access, has been received.

No new information has been received.

Signe Miller and Carol Huscroft, Treasurer of Creston Valley Legion Hall, making the request for funding after studying their financial records. 85% of the income taken in is given back to the community, allowing the Legion to keep 15%, which covers their utilities, taxes and staffing, leaving little room for capital asset costs.

Director Jackman is willing to contribute \$2,000 from Area A towards the current grant project at the Creston Valley Legion Hall from Community Development or Discretionary funds.

Signe Miller and Carol Huscroft answered the Committee's questions.

ORDER OF AGENDA RESUMED Item 8.4 Discussion Item: West Creston Fire Hall (WCFH) was considered at this time

8.4 DISCUSSION ITEM: WEST CRESTON FIRE HALL (WCFH) OVERVIEW

Director Vandenberghe requested a discussion with the committee regarding the upcoming referendum and the Lower Kootenay Band's interest in the WCFH.

Web page created for residents to go get the latest information around the referendum, which is tentatively scheduled in September.

Approach Yaqan Nukiy to gage where their interest lies in contributing to the capital investment (asset contribution) or services agreement.

9.2 REVIEW ACTION ITEM LIST

The Committee will review the action item list from the May 30, 2024 Creston Valley Services Committee meeting.

Discussion centered on items 3, 6 and 11 and how they are all related. Waiting on direction from Staff in relation to Traditional Use Study (TUS) and identifying lake access points. Start with focus on Item 3, then work towards 6 and 11.

Committee would like direction for groups as part of the Master Plan in reference to Item 5.

10. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:47 a.m.

A member of the public followed up regarding the Goat River discussion and a media release surrounding the property in question from the May 30, 2024 CVSC meeting. Ministry of Transportation and the Dyking District will need to follow up regarding the public's concerns.

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Carried

11.2 Recess of Open Meeting

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And resolved:

The Open Meeting be recessed at 11:59 a.m. in order to conduct the Closed In Camera meeting.

Carried

12. NEXT MEETING

The next Creston Valley Services Committee meeting is scheduled for August 1, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

The Creston Valley Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

Carried

Arnold DeBoon, Chair

First of all, I'm writing to request that you place 70' base holders on Rec Centre field East. Currently, there are base holders for 60', 80', and 90' - 70' is used for our 13U players and games. This year we have just been using placemat type bases and those are no longer sufficient for the level of play. If you'd like, I can meet you at the field to discuss this further. I believe we already have the base holders - they just need to be put in.

Secondly, for Creston RDCK people, I appreciate that the fields are getting water via sprinklers (and please have this continue); however, after indicating that we were going to use the fields this weekend - the sprinklers were left on - it rained Thurs/Fri/Sat and the sprinklers were still programmed - one, that seems like a waste of water, especially when a number of areas of BC are already facing restrictions; two, the Creston Rec Centre (East and West) infields cannot handle a small amount of water, let alone a lot of water. As some of you may know, a number of games were cancelled this year because of water pooling, making the infield muddy and unplayable, so less water is better for those infields. I would like to request, if possible, please try to program the sprinklers accordingly going forward to stay off the infield or be programmed based on weather mapping information.

Lastly, (for all) I would like to request that the RDCK put grass back on the Creston Rec Centre East and West infields and use red shale/ red crushed brick with a proper drainage management system on those fields (or at least start with Rec Centre East). The Rec Centre East field should be a centre piece park in Creston. A proper maintenance shed with appropriate tools and equipment would also be beneficial, as we have a number of volunteers that would like to work in conjunction with RDCK staff to properly maintain the fields.

To provide some context, it's been really difficult this season because, as I said above a number of games in Creston were cancelled when they didn't have to be. Further, as our numbers in minor baseball in Creston grow and we want more playing opportunity for kids here in Creston we need adequate fields. Beyond that, as we travel to surrounding Kootenay areas, there has been inclement weather and the game have not been cancelled on those fields. For example, in the past and this season, our teams have played in Castlegar, Nelson, Cranbrook, Invermere, Trail, and Kimberley - weather was not an issue because they have proper drainage and the correct set up/materials for the fields to work properly in all types of weather. Further, these fields had proper maintenance sheds that housed appropriate equipment to maintain the fields.

I would suggest the RDCK looks at upgrading/sufficiently maintaining the Rec Centre East and West fields in Creston. I believe having both fields in better conditions could increase usage for our local players and could potentially lead to summer baseball programs, tournaments, and games between teams from the East and West Kootenays (and all over - as this is a central meeting place for many communities). Overall, this has a potential long term impact as the fields could become another economic booster/driver for our community and the C&DCC.

Thank you for your time, I look forward to your response. Have a good day,
Mike Fischer

Creston Valley Tennis Club

Kinsmen Park -
Sportsplex Proposal



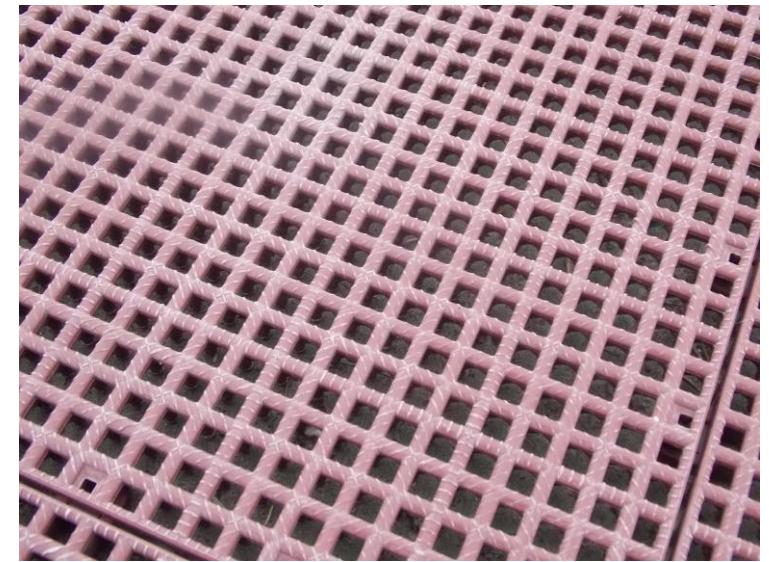
1. Our Goal

- Land Use Agreement and Funding for new Courts.
- Create additional recreational area in the Creston Valley.
- Encourage more youth to Play Tennis.
- Kootenay River Secondary School Tennis Team.
- New Home for CVTC. 4 Tennis and 4 Pickle courts at Kin Park.



State of Existing Courts

- Sport Court is Worn and Slippery.
- Large Cracks in hard court.
- Bubble Slab is a Safety Issue.
- Only Have 2 Courts in the Creston Valley.



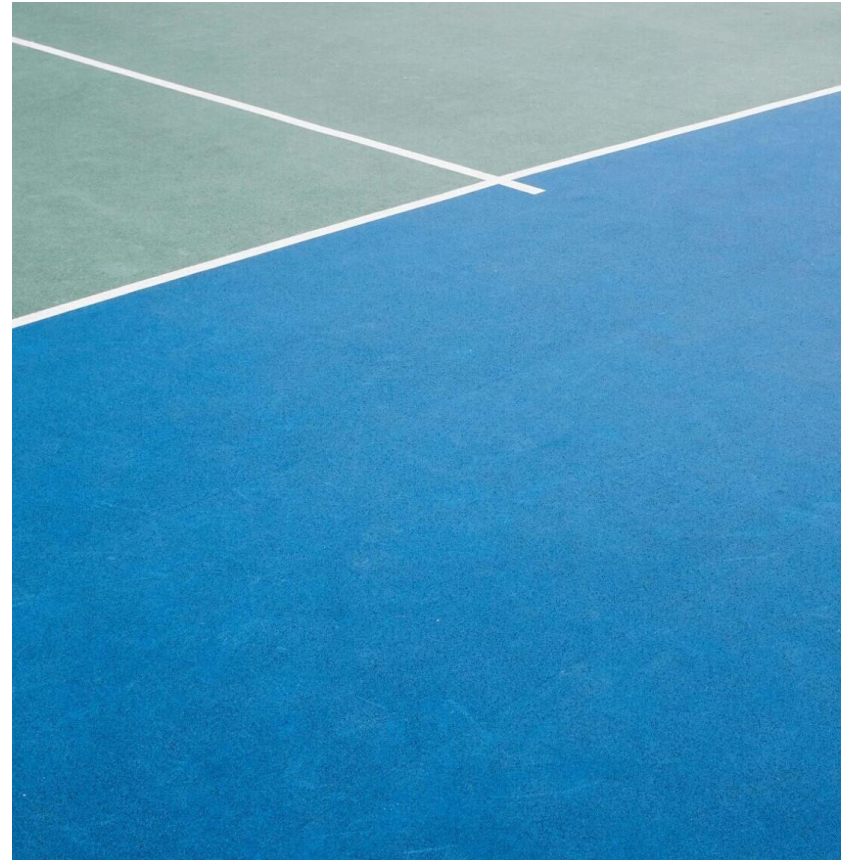
CVTC Supporting the Community.

- Provide access to capital grant money.
- Maintenance to court areas.
- Help supervise Site.
- CVTC responsible for future re-surfacing (10-15 years).
- Access to Youth Funding for Tennis.
- Make Kin Park a place for Athletics, recreation and a place for family and friends to gather.



Tennis is Creston

- Club Members represent Creston at BC Senior Games.
- CVTC Junior program Started in June 2024.
- RDCK Runs a Junior program in Creston.
- CVTC has members from 6 Years to 60+ years old.
- Affordable member ships.
- Structured Tennis lesson for the Creston Valley, Elementary to High School.
- CVTC membership varies YTY, averages 40 members/year.
- Pickle Ball has over 100 players in the Creston Valley.
- Many recreation users of the tennis courts

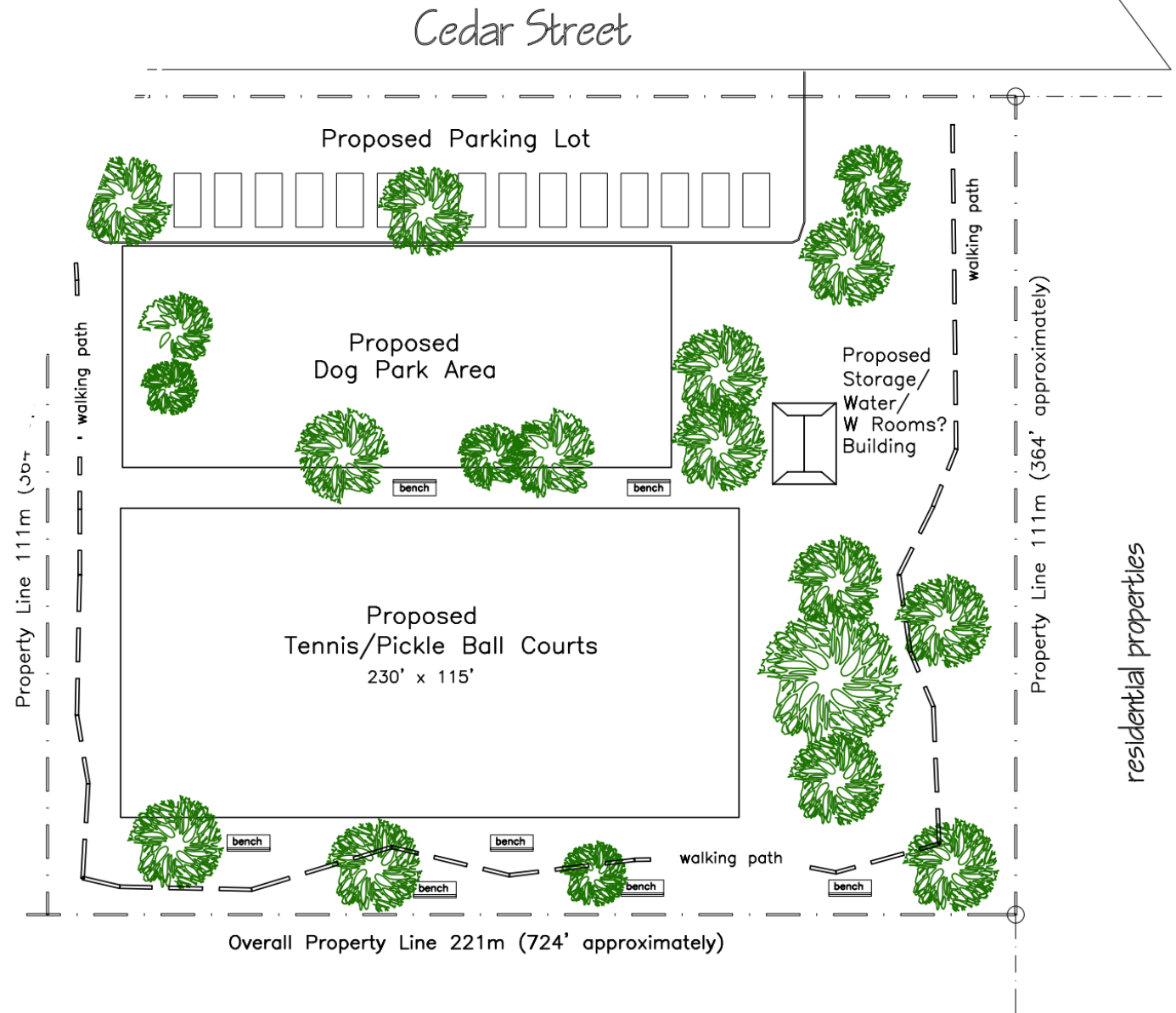


CVTC Request

- Long Term Lease Agreement. (20 years preferred). With ToC
- Nominal \$1/year usage agreement.
- Letter of Support.
- Approval to manage Capital Improvements on ToC Land.
- Financial support through RDCK community works grant.
- Support and Advice from Town of Creston and RDCK leadership.

Proposed Site Plan

- Parking
- Dog Park
- Tennis & Pickle Courts.
- Walking Path.
- Bench's.



residential properties

Proposed Budget - Courts Only

Creston Valley Tennis Club New Courts Project		Total Amount Required		
Budget Item	Vendor			
Geotechnical Survey - Norm Deverney Engineering	Norm Deverney Engineering	\$2,000		
Site preparation - grading, gravel, compaction, etc	Sullivan Stone	\$215,565		
Electrical - Permit, 200 Amp service, outlets		\$10,000		
Concrete footings X 64 @ \$150 each for nets, gates, lites, etc	Included in Site Prep above			
Tennis/Pickleball sleeves, posts, nets and tie downs	Tomko Sports Systems	\$6,500		
Paving of 4 tennis/pickle ball courts (35m X 70m)	Selkirk Paving or	\$90,000		
Concrete 'paving' of 4 courts	Sullivan Stone			\$240,000
Surface prep, 'Plexipave' and line painting	Tomko Sports Systems	\$84,000		
Construction of washrooms, storage facility		\$50,000		
Tennis courts fencing		\$10,000		
Tennis courts LED lighting		\$10,000		
Tennis courts light standards (22' X 9)				
Pickleball courts light standards (22' X 6)				
		\$478,065		

Summary

- Additional and Functional Sports & Recreation Facilities in Creston.
- Grow Youth Tennis in the Creston Valley.
- Increase court usage.
- Create additional courts for growing pickle ball sport.
- Host Regional Tournaments.

CVTC Team

- Chris Perkin - President
- Clayton Dunham - Vice President
- Robin Douville - Treasurer
- Lorraine Rix - Administrative Assistant.
- Instructor - Kelvin Lobban.

residential properties

Church Property

Cedar Street

Proposed Parking Lot

Proposed Dog Park Area

Proposed Tennis/Pickle Ball Courts
230' x 115'

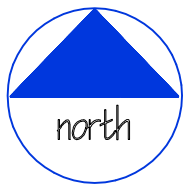
Proposed Storage/
Water/
W Rooms?
Building

Property Line 111m (364' approximately)

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residential properties

Overall Property Line 221m (724' approximately)



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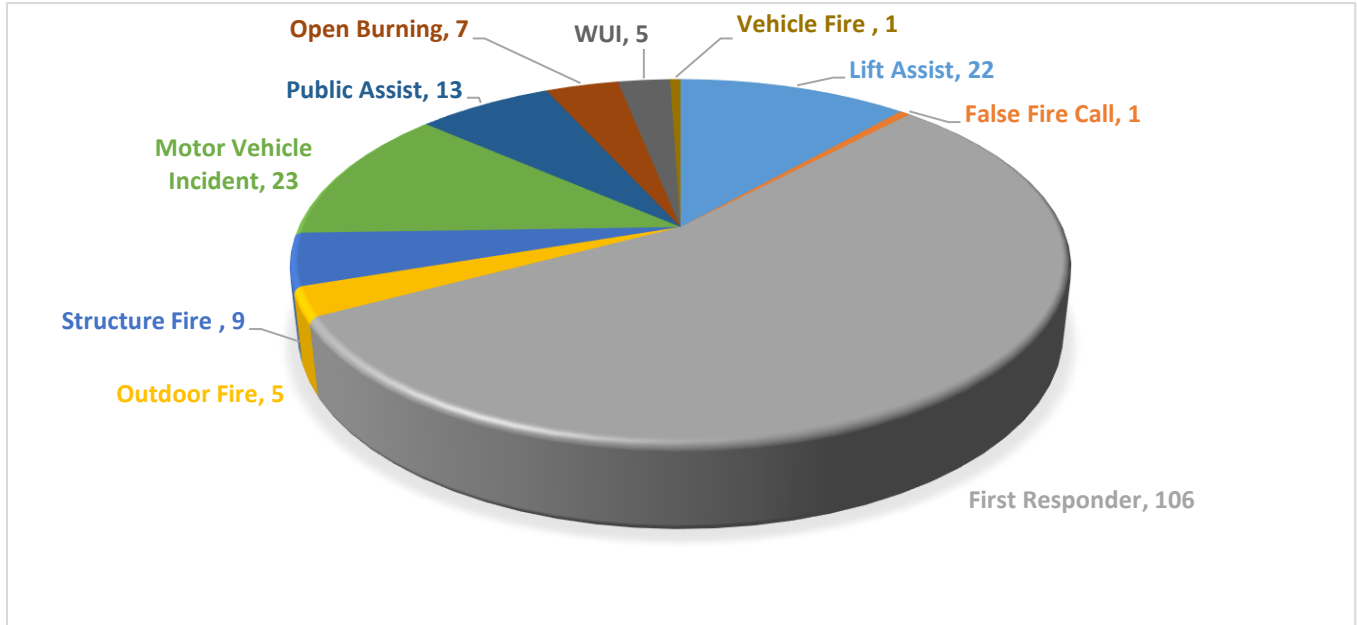
SITE PLAN CONCEPT

'KINSMEN PARK' 2499 Cedar Street, Creston, B.C.

July 3, 2024

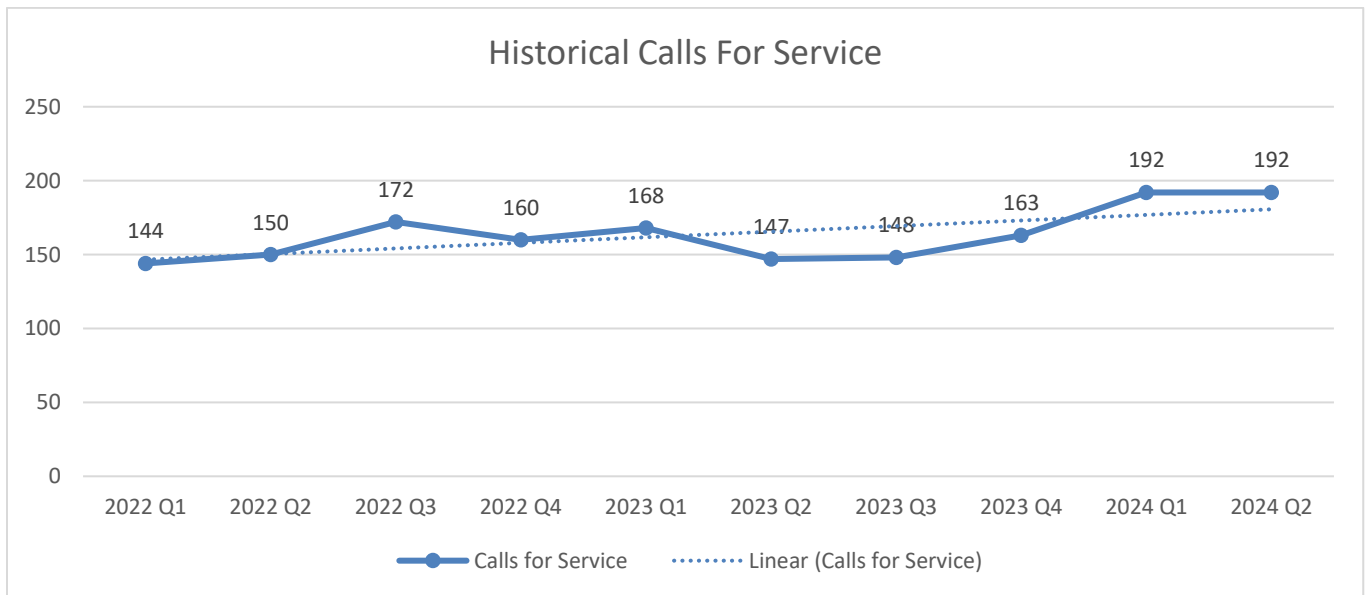
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CRESTON VALLEY FIRE 2nd QUARTER 2024 REPORT



INCIDENTS	2 nd QTR 2024
Fire, Fire Related	33
Medical	106
Motor Vehicle Incident	23
Public Assist	30
TOTAL	192

*Includes: Hazmat, WUI, Open Burning, Outdoor Fire, Structure Fire, Technical Rescue, Vehicle Fire.



2 nd QTR 2024	CRESTON	WLFD	CLFD	W/C
Average Response Time*	11:45	15:54	19:37	8:34

*Response time is composed of call-processing time, turnout time and travel time.

CRESTON VALLEY FIRE 2nd QUARTER 2024 REPORT

PAID ON CALL FIREFIGHTER STAFFING

- Paid on Call Firefighters & Staff = 53
- 6 Work Experience Firefighters

FACILITIES

- Landscape contractor for weed control at all fire halls and training grounds including West Creston site.

EQUIPMENT

- Annual pump testing on all Pumpers.
- WFLD Engine 41 – Apparatus out of service for a week due to cracked intake pipe. The repair was completed locally with Tender 41 used to ensure fire protection coverage.
- WFLD Command 41 – A hole was found in the transmission housing and based on the condition of the vehicle the decision was made to make the repairs. The unit is back in service and is utilized in the summer to transport the wildland skid unit.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & EVENTS

Smoke Alarm check and install
yaqan nukiy community clean up
Fire Hall tour x 5
Bike Rodeo
McHappy Day
Erickson flag change
Creston Valley Drag Races
Blossom Festival Parade
Blossom Festival Kids Parade
FireSmart Education Event
Getting to know a firefighter book reading

Thank you.



Jared Riel
Fire Chief



Committee Report

Date of Report: July 27, 2024
Date & Type of Meeting: August 1, 2024, Creston Valley Service Committee
Author: Craig Stanley – Regional Manager Operations and Asset Management
Subject: CDCC OPERATIONS REPORT
File:
Electoral Area/Municipality Town of Creston, Area B, Area C, Defined Area A

SECTION 1: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the various service areas within Creston and District Community Complex (CDCC) and S224.

SECTION 2: BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

2.1 General Updates

CDCC Concession

A request for proposals for operation of the NDCC concession closed on July 17. There were no compliant proposals submitted by the deadline. Staff will work to procure a concession operator prior to the start of the ice season and bring a report to this Committee or the Board, at a future meeting with a recommendation to award the contract/lease.

Project Update

1. Aquatics Air Barrier (roof) repairs: this is almost complete.
2. New outdoor washroom – staff have determined the size of the concrete pad required for a pre-fab washroom facility. The request for proposals for the washroom will be posted in August, with the intention of installing the washroom prior to the end of the sports field season.
3. East stairwell roof – staff are seeking legal advice on procurement language to ensure we can hold an efficient and effective tender to complete this project.

Canada Day

The Canada Day event was organized and operated in partnership with the Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Creston. The event included a fun run, a stage and music, food vendors, games, and a beer gardens. Over 100 people attended the fun run. The event was successful in spite of the weather. The Chamber of Commerce may come back to the Committee as a delegation at the September meeting.

Contracts and Agreements

The agreement between the RDCK and the Creston Valley Junior Hockey Society, also known as the Creston Thunder Cats, of the Kootenay International Hockey League (KIJHL), expires on July 31, 2024. Staff will be bringing a report to this Committee at the September meeting with options to renew the contract. There are two other KIJHL franchises that use RDCK facilities, each with agreements that expire in 2026. Staff intend to align the language in these contracts to allow for consistent use and consideration for all three franchises.

The agreements between the RDCK and the Creston Curling Club expires in September 2024. Staff will be bringing a report to this Committee at the September meeting, with options to renew the contract for the curling rink and the lounge.

Creston Education Centre

The Conseil Scolaire Francophone de la Colombie-Britannique (CSF) have indicated that their Board voted to defer the intention to start a program in Creston until September 2026. If this decision is confirmed in the next school year, they will reach out to reassess what works for all parties involved. This means they will not be leasing the spaces at the CEC for the time being and so the Board resolution below could be rescinded.

06/13/2024 375/24 That the Board direct staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Creston to amend the lease for the use of the Creston Education Centre and that the Board Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign.

2.2 Staffing

Aquatics Staffing

The CDCC Aquatics roster is growing - the number of staff and their availability is improving and so staff capacity is increased overall, leading to the opportunity to increase hours of operation. Summer hours include a return to Monday operations in the pool. This may or may not be sustainable in the fall, depending on the availability of staff.

Cultural Training

Staff from the CDCC, RDCK recreation programs, RDCK Parks and the RDCK Creston office, and RDCK Planning and sustainability, attended a session of Cultural Sensitivity training with Jared Basil from the Ktunaxa Nation. The training met the goal of providing RDCK staff insight into Ktunaxa history and how the relationship with first nations, especially those indigenous to the Creston Valley, can start to move in a positive direction.

SECTION 3: DETAILED ANALYSIS

3.1 Financial Considerations – Cost and Resource Allocations:

Included in Financial Plan: Yes No

Financial Plan Amendment: Yes No

Debt Bylaw Required: Yes No

Public/Gov't Approvals Required: Yes No

3.2 Legislative Considerations (Applicable Policies and/or Bylaws):

N/A

3.3 Environmental Considerations

N/A

3.4 Social Considerations:

N/A

3.5 Economic Considerations:

N/A

3.6 Communication Considerations:

N/A

3.7 Staffing/Departmental Workplace Considerations:

Ongoing recruitment efforts are intended to return to 2019 staffing levels and hours of operation.

3.8 Board Strategic Plan/Priorities Considerations:

Managing our facilities in a sustainable manner.

SECTION 4: OPTIONS & PROS / CONS

N/A

SECTION 5: RECOMMENDATIONS

No recommendation. The report is for information only.

Respectfully submitted,



Craig Stanley, Regional Manager – Operations & Asset Management

CONCURRENCE

Joe Chirico - General Manager of Community Services – Alt. Trisha Davison Acting General Manager





Creston Valley Services Committee

Date of Report: July 24, 2024
Date & Type of Meeting: August 1, 2024 Creston Valley Services Committee
Author: Tom Dool, Research Analyst
Subject: Creston Valley Transit Support For Creston Valley Fall Fair
File: 8020/10
Electoral Area/Municipality: Areas A, B, C, and the Town of Creston

SECTION 1: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to determine whether the Creston Valley Services Committee supports the use of the Creston Valley Transit service to provide fare free transportation between the Creston and District Community Complex (CDCC) and Creston Flats Stables during the Creston Valley Fall Fair.

SECTION 2: BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The Creston Valley Fall Fair Society has requested that Creston Valley Transit assist residents of the Creston Valley with accessing the Creston Valley Fall Fair at its new location at Creston Flats Stables. Previously, the fall fair had been held at the CDCC. Due to the size and nature of the event it is now being held in a new location in the rural area. While the new location is more functional it may present some barriers to members of the community regarding access to event. The event organizers are hoping to address these barriers by providing no fee transportation.

The cost of the additional proposed service is \$840. The service would be provided on

September 6, 2024
 2pm to 10pm
 Every 2 hours between the fair grounds and the CDCC

September 7, 2024
 9am to 3pm
 Every 2 hours between the fair ground and the CDCC

SECTION 3: DETAILED ANALYSIS

3.1 Financial Considerations – Cost and Resource Allocations:

Included in Financial Plan: Yes No **Financial Plan Amendment:** Yes No
Debt Bylaw Required: Yes No **Public/Gov’t Approvals Required:** Yes No

The proposed \$840 is based on the cost of providing the service as estimated by the operating company, NextGen Transit.

The Creston Valley Transit (S234) currently has an operating surplus resulting from cost savings as a result of a low snow year in 2024.

The requested \$840 is below the minimum required for a budgetary amendment.

3.2 Legislative Considerations (Applicable Policies and/or Bylaws):

None at this time.

3.3 Environmental Considerations

None at this time.

3.4 Social Considerations:

The Creston Valley Fall Fair is a nondenominational community event seeking to reduce barriers to participation for residents of the Creston Valley.

The proposed service will reduce traffic in the area, address parking limitations, and assist with access for minors, the elderly, and those residents who do not drive.

3.5 Economic Considerations:

None at this time.

3.6 Communication Considerations:

The Creston Valley Fall Fair will inform residents of the availability of the service.

3.7 Staffing/Departmental Workplan Considerations:

The provision of the proposed service will not in any way impact existing conventional or on demand services.

3.8 Board Strategic Plan/Priorities Considerations:

None at this time.

SECTION 4: OPTIONS & PROS / CONS

Option 1. That the Creston Valley Services Committee supports the use of the Creston Valley Transit Service to provide fare free transportation between the Creston and District Community Complex (CDCC) and Creston Flats Stables during the 2024 Creston Valley Fall Fair.

Advantages

Reduces barriers to the event for members of the community
Reduces traffic congestion
Reduces parking issues
Improves the profile of Creston Valley Transit

Disadvantages

None

Option 2. That the Creston Valley Services Committee does not support the use of the Creston Valley Transit Service to provide fare free transportation between the Creston and District Community Complex (CDCC) and Creston Flats Stables during the Creston Valley Fall Fair.

Advantages

Saves \$840

Disadvantages

None

SECTION 5: RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Creston Valley Services Committee supports the use of the Creston Valley Transit Service to provide fare free transportation between the Creston and District Community Complex (CDCC) and Creston Flats Stables during the Creston Valley Fall Fair.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Dool

CONCURRENCE

CFO – [Name of Manager]

CVSC ACTION ITEMS LIST – 07-04-2024

#	ACTION ITEM	MEETING ORIGIN	STATUS
1.	STAFF DIRECTION: That the Board direct staff to prepare a draft policy for Board review that requires recipients of financial grant in aid funds to engage with local area Directors and/or provide documentation during the budget process, in order to be eligible for funding via taxation in a given year.	05-Jan-2023	(Staff direction from Apr 6 Meeting)
2.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff create a Terms of Reference on how the Dog Control Service will be delivered. Sangita Sudan and Jordan Dupuis to discuss with Mike Morrison, Manager of Corporate Administration – RDCK, on how this service would be addressed.	02-Mar-2023	In process / Gone to Board
3.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff prioritize proposed or existing parks identified in the Ktunaxa RDCK Traditional Use Study (TUS) Summary Report dated April 2023 and come back at a later date to the Creston Valley Services Committee meeting with recommendations.	04-May-2023 & 01-Jun-2023 & 06-Jul-2023	(Staff direction at May, June, July meetings) Ongoing
4.	STAFF DIRECTION: Stuart Horn, Chief Administrative Officer – RDCK, to talk to Tom Dool, Research Analyst, about reaching out to the Hospital Boards and BC Transit with regards to transportation between Creston and Cranbrook.	04-May-2023	In process of being contacted by consulting company.
5.	STAFF DIRECTION: Staff to develop a clear process for feasibility studies, for clubs/ groups submitting recreation request proposals. Example: Creston Tennis Club	04-May-2023	This needs workshop. Nelson completed a workshop on the same subject.
6.	STAFF DIRECTION: Staff to communicate to Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTi) that there is a benefit to the community if they came to some resolution to keep the toilets and garbage at Martell Beach.	01-Jun-2023	COMPLETE
7.	STAFF DIRECTION: Staff to create a contribution agreement with Kootenay River Secondary School where RDCK lists what the funding is for and what the expectations are for the funding. To formalize the agreement, Staff to include in the agreement what the rates are that RDCK is going to charge to receive that funding. CVSC would review the contribution agreement with Kootenay River Secondary School every year.	01-Jun-2023	Ongoing. There is a funding in the 2024 budget for this agreement.
8.	STAFF NOTE: Stuart Horn, Chief Administrative Officer – RDCK advised that the ownership and maintenance of the signage is being handled by Kootenay Employment Services and the Committee will receive an update later in 2023.	06-Jul-2023 & 04-May-2023	Complete – awaiting a license of occupation for specific signage location before removing from list.
9.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff report back to the CVSC as part of the 2024 budget process to provide direction on what would be required to reinstate the grant funding to Lister and Crawford Bay cemeteries, including the release of prior years amounts being held in reserve.	07-Sep-2023	Lister – Completed Crawford Bay - Ongoing

10.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff reach out to Ministry of Transportation to get their response/interest on Martel Beach regarding blocking trailer boat access.	07-Sep-2023	COMPLETE.
11.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff request a workshop/session (in conjunction with a site visit for the Creston Valley Services Committee) with the Traditional Use Study (TUS) authors, the Ktunaxa Nation and Yaqaan Nukiy, to educate the Committee to better understand the TUS.	09-Sept-2023	Ongoing. (M. Crowe met with KNC staff on July 16 in regards to a TUS workshop or training 07/2023 update).
12.	That staff meet with the Chamber of Commerce to plan a partnered Canada Day event and provide the appropriate budgetary impact in the draft 2024 budget.	08-Feb-2024	Completed
13.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff arrange a meeting with the RDCK and the Town of Creston to discuss internal governance regarding the Kootenay Employment Services contract.	07-Mar-2024	Meeting has occurred. Staff will be scheduling a meeting now per item 17.
14.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff arrange a meeting with Kootenay Employment Services (KES) and the Town of Creston regarding the KES contract, which is set to expire in 2025.	07-Mar-2024	Date to be scheduled.
15.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff work with library to develop a policy around the capital reserve and investment amounts to establish how the reserved funding is being spent.	07-Mar-2024	Ongoing
16.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff reach out to the Goat River Association regarding the budget.	07-Mar-2024	Motion passed at June Board meeting to pause funding until further information provided to Directors.
17.	STAFF DIRECTION: That Staff bring back a presentation to the May 30 CVSC meeting regarding more information on the letter being submitted in partnership with the Yaqaan Nukiy people to the minister requesting a water sustainability plan on behalf of the Creston Valley and how this Committee can help with moving this forward.	02-May-2024	Completed (Paris presented at 07/2024 meeting)
18.	STAFF DIRECTION: That staff schedule a meeting with Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, the Directors and RDCK staff regarding access to Goat River and how this information will be shared with the community.	30-May-2024	Completed (updated 07/2024 by M. Crowe)