

## **Regional District of Central Kootenay REGULAR BOARD MEETING Open Meeting Minutes**

The **second** meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in 2024 was held on Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. through a hybrid meeting model.

Quorum was maintained throughout the meeting.

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ELECTED OFFICIALS			
PRESENT	Chair A. Watson	Electoral Area D	In-Person
	Director G. Jackman	Electoral Area A	In-Person
	Director R. Tierney	Electoral Area B	In-Person
	Director K. Vandenberghe	Electoral Area C	In-Person
	Director C. Graham	Electoral Area E	In-Person
	Director T. Newell	Electoral Area F	
	Director H. Cunningham	Electoral Area G	In-Person
	Director W. Popoff	Electoral Area H	In-Person
	Director A. Davidoff	Electoral Area I	
	Director H. Hanegraaf	Electoral Area J	In-Person
	Director T. Weatherhead	Electoral Area K	In-Person
	Director M. McFaddin	City of Castlegar	In-Person
	Director D. Dumas	Town of Creston	In-Person
	Director S. Hewat	Village of Kaslo	In-Person
	Director A. McLauren-Caux	Village of Nakusp	In-Person
	Director R. Logtenberg	City of Nelson	In-Person
	Director L. Casley	Village of New Denv	er
	Director D. Lockwood	Village of Salmo	In-Person
	Director L. Main	Village of Silverton	In-Person

## **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**Town of Creston ABSENT** Director A. DeBoon Director K. Page City of Nelson

Director J. Lunn

**STAFF PRESENT Chief Administrative Officer** S. Horn

> M. Morrison Corporate Officer/Manager of Corporate Administration

A. Lund **Deputy Corporate Officer** 

General Manager of Community J. Chirico

Services

Village of Slocan

General Manager of Development & S. Sudan

**Community Sustainability Services** 

In-Person

U. Wolf General Manager of Environmental

Services

Y. Malloff General Manager of Finance,

Information Technology and Economic

Development

D. Séguin Manager of Community Sustainability

N. Wight Planning Manager

T. Davison Regional Manager – Recreation & Client

Services

C. Gaynor Regional Parks Manager

D. Ditson Community Resilience Coordinator

T. Dool Research Analyst
P. Marshall Smith Sustainability Planner

J. Jackson Emergency Program Coordinator -

Creston

S. Worden Records and Information Management

Coordinator

D. Elliott Communications Coordinator

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#### 1. WEBEX 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 10:00 a.m. MST

## Join by Video:

https://nelsonho.webex.com/nelsonho/j.php?MTID=m81bb2ada3af6d3a1ceb73523de798ea2

### Join by Phone:

+1-604-449-3026 Canada Toll (Vancouver)

Meeting Number (access code): 2774 461 0481

Meeting Password: JZmHWgaf453 (59649423 from phones

#### **In-Person Location:**

Nelson Office - Boardroom 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC

## 2. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

### 2.1 TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

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

## 2.2 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA NOTICE OF MOTION

Director Davidoff requested a recommendation regarding a \$1,000,000 Invoice Recouping RDCK Recycling Costs be included on the March 21, 2024 Board agenda.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

53/24

The agenda for the February 15, 2024 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted with the following:

- inclusion of Item 4.3.6 Municipal Finance Authority; and
- the addition of the addendum

before circulation.

**Carried** 

### 2.3 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

The minutes from the January 18, 2024 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

#### 2.4 INTRODUCTION

54/24

CAO Horn introduced David Zayonce, Regional Fire Chief replacing Nora Hannon.

#### 2.5 DELEGATION

## 2.5.1 Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP)

Juliet Craig, KCP Program Director Kendal Benesh, Local Conservation Fund Coordinator

Juliet Craig, KCP Program Director gave a presentation regarding the RDCK Local Conservation Fund (LCF) service and the grant funding for 2024. Ms. Craig indicated that the LCF has expanded from RDCK Electoral Areas A, D and E to include Area H in 2024 and Area F in 2025. The LCF has provided grant funding to fifty (50) projects within those areas from 2016-2023.

Ms. Craig provided an overview of the application process, the eligible criteria and the evaluation from the Technical Review Committee. The successful applications are provided to the RDCK LCF Directors for approval. Ms. Craig recognized the hard work of the Technical Review Committee and discussed the details of the evaluation process that takes place for each application. There were fourteen (14) applications received and eight (8) were approved for LCF grant funding in 2024.

Ms. Craig provided a summary of the eight (8) successful applications and provided the recommendation to go to the RDCK LCF Directors.

Juliet Craig and Kendal Benesh were available to answer the Board's questions.

Chair Watson thanked Ms. Craig and Ms. Benesh for their presentation.

## 3. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

## 3.1 Bylaw 2872: Zoning Amendment (Hallam and Pejski)

**Board Meeting - January 18, 2024** 

RES 21/24 - refer to February 15, 2024 Board meeting

The Board Report dated January 23, 2024 from Zachari Giacomazzo, Planner, seeking Board adopt RDCK Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2872, 2022 (Hallam and Pejski), has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

55/24 That Regional District of Central Kootena

That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2872, 2022 being a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

**Carried** 

## 4. **COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS**

## 4.1 FOR INFORMATION

Committee/Commission Reports for information have been received as follows:

## 4.1.1 Riondel Commission: minutes January 2, 2024

Staff has received direction to schedule the 2024 Riondel Commission meetings.

## **4.1.2** West Transit Services Committee: minutes January 9, 2024 Staff has received direction to schedule the 2024 West Transit Services

Committee meetings.

## 4.1.3 Kaslo and Area D Economic Development Commission: minutes January 15, 2024

Staff has received direction to allocate funds to the draft 2024 budget to explore Rat Management.

## 4.1.4 North Kootenay Lake Services Committee: minutes January 15, 2024

Director Hewat indicated the January 15, 2024 North Kootenay Lake Services Committee minutes Item 9.2, 9.3 and 9.4 needs to read "February 26, 2024" instead of February 19, 2024".

- 4.1.5 Area D Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes January 18, 2024 Staff has received direction regarding the Development Permit Application and the Crown Referral.
- **4.1.6** Area E Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: January **25, 2024**Staff has received direction regarding the Site Specific Floodplain Exemption Application.
- 4.1.7 Area A Recreation Commission No. 9: minutes January 25, 2024
- **4.1.8** Area A Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes February **1, 2024** Staff has received direction regarding the Site Specific Floodplain Exemption Application.
- 4.1.9 West Resource Recovery Committee: minutes February 5, 2024

Staff has received direction regarding the inclusion of funds for the new curing area in New Denver and the approval of the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plans for the West Resource Recovery Service S188, Recycling Program - West Subregion Service A118, Organics Program - Central & West Subregion Service A120.

## 4.1.10 Area B Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes January 30, 2024

## 4.1.11 East Resource Recovery Committee: minutes February 8, 2024

Staff received direction to approve the draft 2024 Financial Plans for East Resource Recovery Service S186, Recycling Program - East Subregion Service A116 and Organics Program - East Subregion Service A119.

### 4.1.12 Central Resource Recovery Committee: minutes February 9, 2024

Staff received direction to approve the draft 2024 Financial Plan for Central Resource Recovery Service S187, Recycling Program - Central Subregion Service A117 and Organics Program - Central & West Subregions Service A120.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That Board Res #712/23 which reads:

The Board approve an amendment to the 2023 Financial Plan for Service 5187 Central Resource Recovery to increase Short Term Borrowing Principal by \$288,688 for the HB Loan No. 0035-0029, Board Resolution No. 428/22 and reduce Contribution to Reserves by \$288,688;

BE RESCINDED.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

57/24

That the Board direct staff not to enter into a Lease Agreement with Kokanee Creek Marine Ltd. for the lease of lands associated with the Kokanee Creek Marina Recycling Depot and permanently close the Kokanee Creek Marina Recycling Depot effective May 31, 2024.

**Carried** 

### 4.2 WITH RECOMMENDATIONS

## 4.2.1 Area A Economic Development Commission: minutes January 23, 2024

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

58/24

That the Board direct Staff to allocate the remaining funds from the East Shore Tourism Grant of \$1,972.94 and the Eastshore.Life Update grant of \$1,271.20 to support the Eastshore.life website updates by Garry Sly, Executive Director at South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

59/24

That the Board approve the payment of the following grant from the Area A – Economic Development Commission Service S107 2024 budget:

East Shore Trail and Bike Association

\$7,642

Carried

## **4.2.2 Salmo and Area G Recreation Commission No. 7: minutes January 29, 2024** Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

60/24

That the Board authorize staff to release the \$10,000.00 contribution to the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre for the Fitness Centre Heat Pump project paid from the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre Contribution Service – \$218.

**Carried** 

## 4.2.3 Water Services Committee: minutes February 7, 2024

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

61/24

That the Board adopt the 2024 Water Management Plan, subject to the minor amendments discussed at the February 7, 2024 Water Services Committee meeting, effective immediately.

Carried

62/24

That the Erickson Water Distribution Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 2938, 2024 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

63/24

That the Arrow Creek Water Service and Supply Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 2945, 2024 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

**Carried** 

#### 4.2.4 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes February 8, 2024

Staff has received direction regarding the draft budget for Recreation Facility -Creston and Areas A, B and C Service S224 with the addition for the Canada Day celebration and directing staff to work with Creston Minor Hockey Association to raise a banner during the Provincial Hockey Tournament.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

64/24

That the Board send a letter of support to Creston Valley Regional Airport Society for their B.C. Air Access Program (BCAAP) Grant application for a Standby Generator Plant.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

65/24

That the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay provide consent to the Town of Creston under Section 13 of Community Charter for the Town to provide fire protection and response services to the Lower Kootenay reserve lands located within the boundaries of regional district electoral areas.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

66/24

That the Board direct staff to provide notice of termination of the 2019 Fire Protection and Assistance Response Agreement to the Lower Kootenay Indian Band to coincide with the effective date of the new fire services agreement between the Town of Creston and the Lower Kootenay Indian Band.

Carried

## 4.2.5 Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee: minutes February 12, 2024 Staff received direction to include grant allocations in the draft 2024 budget for Community Sustainable Living Service S105 and to include S105 budget in the draft 2024 financial plan.

## 4.2.6 Joint Resource Recovery Committee: minutes February 14, 2024

67/24

That the Board direct Staff to apply to the Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) fund for a grant to complete a feasibility study that would investigate options to financially support future Landfill Gas (LFG) management at the Creston and Ootischenia Landfills;

AND FURTHER that the RDCK request Fortis BC partner with the RDCK to complete a feasibility study in support of its long term strategy to implement Landfill Gas management.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

68/24

That the Board authorize the renewal of the Lease Contract with the Village of Salmo for the Salmo Recycling Depot for the term of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2025 with proposed rental fees of \$566.80 (plus GST) per month; subject to renewal of insurance requirements; AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Service No. A117 – Central Sub-region Recycling.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

69/24

That the Board authorize the renewal of the Lease Contract with the Village of New Denver for the New Denver recycling depot for the term of June 14, 2020 to June 13, 2025;

AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Service No. A118 – West Sub-region Recycling;

AND FURTHER, that although no rental fees are charged by the Village of New Denver, the RDCK will be responsible for utilities charges incurred.

Carried

#### 4.3 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIP

#### 4.3.1 Emergency Program Executive Committee

Chair called for nominations a first time for the Electoral Areas A, B, C, G, Salmo, Creston.

Director Vandenberg was nominated.

Chair called for nominations a second and third time for the Electoral Areas A, B, C, G, Salmo, Creston.

Chair called for nominations a first time for the Electoral Areas D, E, F, Kaslo.

Director Hewat was nominated.

Chair called for nominations a second and third time for the Electoral Areas D, E, F, Kaslo.

Chair called for nominations a first time for the Electoral Areas H, I, J, K, Nakusp, Silverton, New Denver, Slocan.

Directors Hanegraaf and Popoff were nominated.

Chair called for nominations a second and third time for the Electoral Areas H, I, J, K, Nakusp, Silverton, New Denver, Slocan.

Corporate Officer Morrison distributed the ballots.

Directors online provided their votes to CAO Horn and Deputy Corporate Officer Lund.

After collecting the ballots, the CAO and Corporate Officer exited the room and counted the ballots.

Director Hanegraaf was declared the committee member for Electoral Areas H, I, J, K, Nakusp, Silverton, New Denver, Slocan.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

That the Board appoint the following Directors to the Emergency Program Executive Committee for a term to end December 31, 2024:

Aimee Watson (Board Chair)

Diana Lockwood (Board Vice-Chair)

Director Vandenberg (Electoral Areas A, B, C, G, Salmo, Creston)

Director Hewat (Electoral Areas D, E, F, Kaslo)

Director Hanegraaf (Electoral Areas H, I, J, K, Nakusp, Silverton, New Denver, Slocan)

Stuart Horn (CAO/Designate)

Dan Séguin (Manager of Community Sustainability)

**Carried** 

## 4.3.2 Area J Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

That the Board appoint the following individual to the Area J Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission for a term to end December 31, 2026:

Halley Whittleton

**Carried** 

## 4.3.3 Kaslo and Area D Economic Development Commission

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

That the Board send a letter to outgoing member Jeff Davie thanking him for his service with the Kaslo and Area D Economic Development Commission.

Carried

#### 4.3.4 Nakusp and Area K Recreation Commission No. 4

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

That the Board send a letter to outgoing member Malinda Scott thanking her for her service with the Nakusp and Area K Recreation Commission No. 4.

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## 4.3.5 Area A Recreation Commission No. 9

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

74/24

That the Board appoint the following individual to the Area A Recreation Commission No. 9 for the term to end December 31, 2025:

**Bob Lively** 

**Carried** 

## 4.3.6 Municipal Finance Authority

Chair called for nominations a first time.

Director Hewat was nominated.

Chair called for nominations a second time.

Director Newell was nominated.

Chair called for nominations a third time.

Corporate Officer Morrison distributed the ballots.

Directors online provided their votes to CAO Horn and Deputy Corporate Officer Lund.

After collecting the ballots, the CAO and Corporate Officer exited the room and counted the ballots.

Director Newell was declared the representative for the Municipal Finance Authority.

Chair called for nominations a first time for the alternate representative for the Municipal Finance Authority.

Director Hewat was nominated.

Chair called for nominations a second and third time for the alternate representative for the Municipal Finance Authority.

Director Hewat was declared the alternate representative for the Municipal Finance Authority.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board appoint the following Directors as representatives to the Municipal Finance Authority for a term to end February 28, 2025, with stipends and usual expenses to be paid from General Administration Service S100:

**Director Newell** Director Hewat (Alternate)

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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That all ballots for Emergency Program Executive Committee and Municipal Finance Authority be destroyed.

Carried

#### 4.4 DIRECTORS' REPORTS

4.4.1 Director Jackman: CBRAC/RCC/EA/LGLA

4.4.2 Director Watson: 2024 Budget (Area D)

4.4.3 Director Graham

4.4.3.1 Director Report: Recreation Commission No. 10

4.4.3.2 Letter of Support: Procter Daycare

4.4.4 Director McLaren-Caux: Activities

4.4.5 Director Lockwood: LGLA

### 5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 The letter dated January 31, 2024 from Ross Siemens, City of Abbotsford, requesting support for their UBCM resolution for additional detox beds to be added to the Fraser Health Region.

#### 6. COMMUNICATIONS

- 6.1 The letter dated January 18, 2024 from Sue McKortoff, Okanagan Basin Water Board, calling for immediate action to prevent invasive mussel introduction to BC.
- 6.2 The letter dated January 19, 2024 from Vanessa Craig, Regional District of Nanaimo, providing an update to the Legislative Reform Initiative.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

That the Board send a letter of support Regional District of Nanaimo and UBCM requesting a working group for the Legislative Reform.

Carried

## 6.3 Emergency and Disaster Management Act

- 6.3.1 The letter dated January 23, 2024 from Kevin Flynn, Columbia Shuswap Regional District, providing concerns to the new Emergency and Disaster Management Act legislation.
- 6.3.2 The letter dated January 26, 2024 from Mark Parker, Regional District of Bulkley Nechako, providing concerns to the new Emergency and Disaster Act legislation.
- 6.3.3 The letter dated January 26, 2024 from Deputy Minister Tara Richards, Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, addressing Margo Wagner, Chair of Cariboo Regional District, encouraging CRD to engage in the engagement process.
- 6.3.4 The letter dated January 26, 2024 from Deputy Minister Tara Richards, Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, addressing RDCK's letter sent December 20, 2023 regarding the Emergency and Disaster Management Act.

- 6.3.5 The letter dated January 30, 2024 from Jason Lum, Fraser Valley Regional District, providing concerns to the new Emergency and Disaster Management Act.
- 6.4 The letter dated January 26, 2024 from Colleen Anderson, District of Sicamous, expressing support for Bill 34 and the Restricting Public Consumption of Illegal Substances Act.
- 6.5 The email dated January 31, 2024 from Kermit Dahl, City of Campbell River, writing to express their gratitude to the City of Fort St. John's thoughtful and principled stance on the Community Safety Act.
- 6.6 The letter from Joel Jackson, Nelson Kootenay Lake Tourism, updating stakeholders and reflecting on the changes that occurred in 2023.

## 7. FOR INFORMATION: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Accounts Payable Summary for January, 2024 in the amount of \$3,960,606 has been received for information.

### 8. BYLAWS

8.1 Bylaws 2933 & 2934: Curbside Collection Assent Vote Processes

The Board Report dated January 31, 2024 from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, seeking Board approval for the assent vote questions for the Curbside Collection Bylaws No. 2933 & 2934, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

78/24 That the ballot question for the Defined Area J Curbside Collection Assent Vote shall be:

Are you in favour of the Regional District of Central Kootenay adopting Defined Area J Curbside Collection Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2934, 2023, which will permit the Regional District to establish a curbside collection service for defined portions of Electoral Area J; which if approved will result in an annual requisition not to exceed \$406,818.39 based on a cost per household of \$283.06?

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

79/24 That the ballot question for the Defined Areas F and H Curbside Collection Assent Vote shall be:

Are you in favour of the Regional District of Central Kootenay adopting Defined Areas F & H Curbside Collection Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2933, 2023, which will permit the Regional District to establish a 3 stream curbside collection service with waste, organics and recycling for defined portions of Electoral Areas F & H; which if approved will result in an annual requisition not to exceed \$596,235.28 based on a cost per household of \$280.02?

**Carried** 

That participating area approval for the Defined Areas F & H Curbside Collection Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2933, 2023 be obtained for the entire service area.

**Carried** 

## 8.2 Bylaw 2941: Regional District of Central Kootenay Municipal Ticketing Information Amendment

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

81/24 That the Regi

That the Regional District of Central Kootenay Municipal Ticketing Information Amendment Bylaw No. 2941, 2024 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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That the Regional District of Central Kootenay Municipal Ticketing Information Amendment Bylaw No. 2941, 2024 be ADOPTED and the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

**Carried** 

## 8.3 Bylaw 2946: Tarrys and Pass Creek Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine)

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

83/24

That the Tarrys and Pass Creek Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2946, 2024 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

84/24

That the Tarrys and Pass Creek Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2946, 2024 be ADOPTED and the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

# 8.4 Bylaw 2947: Slocan Valley Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine)

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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That the Slocan Valley Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2947, 2024 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

Carried

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That the Slocan Valley Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2947, 2024 be ADOPTED and the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

8.5 Bylaw 2948: North Shore Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine)

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

87/24

That the North Shore Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2948, 2024 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

88/24

That the North Shore Fire Protection Service Security Issuing (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2948, 2024 be ADOPTED and the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

**Carried** 

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RECONVENED

The meeting recessed at 10:20 a.m. for a break and reconvened a 10:30 a.m.

## RECONVENED

**NEW BUSINESS** 

9.

## 9.1 DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY

## 9.1.1 Climate Action Plan Update: Community Feedback

The Board Report dated Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability Planner, and Dauna Ditson, Community Resilience Coordinator, providing the Board a high-level summary of the engagement conducted regarding the Climate Action Plan, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

89/24

That the Board direct staff to solicit additional individual feedback from RDCK Board Directors via survey; AND FURTHER, that staff use engagement feedback to identify different possible Climate Action Plan versions; AND FURTHER, that staff provide these versions to the Board for direction on which to develop.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

90/24

That the Board approve stipend and expenses for the Climate Action Plan workshop to be paid from General Administration Service S100.

**Carried** 

Director Davidoff, McFaddin, Hanegraaf, Graham, Casley and Lockwood were recorded opposed.

## 9.1.2 Emergency and Disaster Management Act: Regulation for Local Authorities

The Board Report dated January 30, 2024 from Dan Séguin, Manager of Community Sustainability, seeking Board approval to prepare a second letter regarding the Emergency and Disaster Management Act, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board direct staff to draft and send a second letter to the Premier of British Columbia, the Minister of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, and the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy expressing its deepening concern to the Province on its Emergency and Disaster Management Act and related Regulations for Local Authorities, and that the letter also request that the Province provide concrete and reasonable timelines, adequate funding to address the capacity and resourcing required to complete this work, and robust public education campaigns, and that the letter be copied to all 27 Regional Districts, municipalities in the RDCK, and MLAs for the RDCK.

Carried

## 9.1.3 Grant: Emergency Operations Centre Staff Equipment and Training

The Board Report dated January 22, 2024 from Jon Jackson, Emergency Program Coordinator, seeking Board approval for staff to submit a grant application to UBCM under the EOC Equipment and Training grant stream, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board approve the application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities February 2024 intake for funding to provide training and equipment for Emergency Program staff for a total of \$30,000.

Carried

## 9.1.4 2024 Local Conservation Fund Service S292 Funding Recommendations

The Board Report dated February 1, 2024 from Sangita Sudan, General Manager of Development and Community Sustainability, seeking Board approval for the release of grants under the Local Conservation Fund Service S292 for projects in 2024, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board approve grant funding for eight (8) 2024 projects from the Local Conservation Fund Service S292 for \$129,976.85; AND FURTHER, include this amount in the draft 2024 Financial Plan:

PROJECT NAME	PROPONENT	RECOMMENDED
		TO BOARD
Enhancing bat habitat and monitoring	Wildlife Conservation	\$22,865.00
populations in the West Kootenay	Society Canada (WCSC)	
Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions	Lardeau Valley	\$ 13,800.00
	Opportunity LINKS	
Creation and protection of anthropogenic bat	Okanagan Nation	\$ 18,095.00
Habitat in the RDCK region	Alliance	
Kootenay BroomBusters- A Community Led	Central Kootenay Invasive	\$9,316.85
Pulling Together Program	Species	
	Society	
Slocan Valley Pollinator Highway	Elk Root Conservation Farm	\$18,000.00
Project:Phase1	Society	

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Crooked Horn Farm Phase 2	BC Wildlife Federation	\$ 20,000.00
Snk'mip Marsh Sanctuary habitat	Valhalla Foundation for Ecology	\$ 14,400.00
enhancement and invasive plant management		
North Slocan Bull Trout Conservation Project	Slocan Lake Stewardship	\$ 13,500.00
	Society	
TOTAL		\$129,976.85

#### 9.2 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#### 9.2.1 Award: Erickson Metering Phase 1 - Water Meter

The Board Report dated January 31, 2024 from AJ Evenson, Senior Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the Erickson Water Meters project, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board direct staff to award the sole source contract for the Erickson Water Meters to Wolseley Canada Inc; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$144,293.97 plus GST; AND FURTHER, that the cost be included in the 2024 Financial Plan for Water Utility-Area B (Erickson) Service S250.

**Carried** 

### 9.2.2 Award: Erickson Metering Phase 1 - Meter Pit Purchase

The Board Report dated February 5, 2024 from AJ Evenson, Senior Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the Erickson Meter Pit Purchase, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board direct staff to award the contract for the Erickson Metering Phase 1 – Meter Pit Purchase to EMCO Corporation; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$662,576.01 plus GST; AND FURTHER, that the funds be drawn from Water Utility-Area B (Erickson) Service S250.

Carried

## 9.2.3 Award: Duhamel Water System - Main and Parcel Servicing

The Board Report dated February 7, 2024 from AJ Evenson, Senior Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the Duhamel Water System - Main and Parcel Servicing, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board direct staff to award the contract for the Duhamel Water System – Main and Parcel Servicing to Creston Electric; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$345,844.00 plus GST; AND FURTHER, that the cost be included in the 2024 Financial Plan for S248 Water Utility-Area F (Duhamel Creek).

**Carried** 

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## 9.3.1 For Information: Policy No. 100-01-21 - Recording Meetings

The Board Report dated January 31, 2024 from Shiree Worden, Records and Information Management Coordinator, seeking Board provide comments on the Recording Meetings Policy No. 100-01-21, has been received for information. Staff request that Directors provide comment to staff before March 8, 2024.

#### 9.3.2 2024 AKBLG Resolutions

The deadline to submit resolutions for AKBLG is February 16, 2024.

### 9.3.3 AKBLG Sponsorship

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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That the Board sponsor the Association of Kootenay and Boundary Local Governments' 2024 AGM and Conference in Radium Hot Springs from April 19 - 21 for the following amount, to come from the General Administration Service S100:

\$5,001

Defeated

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

98/24

That the Board sponsor the Association of Kootenay and Boundary Local Governments' 2024 AGM and Conference in Radium Hot Springs from April 19 - 21 for the following amount, to come from the General Administration Service S100:

\$6,000

Carried

Directors Lockwood and Graham recorded opposed.

### 9.3.4 For Information: RDCK Quarterly Report (Q4)

The RDCK Quarterly Report (Q4) from Mike Morrison, Manager of Corporate Administration, has been received for information.

## 9.4 FIRE SERVICES

## 9.4.1 Petition: Wynndel/Lakeview Fire Protection Area

The Board Report dated January 31, 2024 from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, seeking Board approval to draft an amendment bylaw for Wynndel/Lakeview Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 965, 1993 to include properties on Channel Road, has been received.

**NOTE:** The Channel Road petition is available for the public to view at the Nelson Office 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC during regular business hours.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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That the Board direct the Corporate Officer to certify the sufficiency and validity of the petition based on the findings of this report.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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The Board direct staff to prepare an amendment bylaw for Wynndel/Lakeview Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 965, 1993 to include those properties that petitioned for service.

Carried

## 9.5 HUMAN RESOURCES

## 9.5.1 For Information: RDCK Occupational Health and Safety Annual Report

The Board Report dated February 5, 2024 from Andre Noel, Safety Advisor, providing the Board with the RDCK Occupational Health and Safety Annual Report, has been received for information.

#### 9.6 GRANTS

## 9.6.1 Discretionary

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

101/24

Discretionary grants out of the funds available for the following Electoral Areas/Member Municipalities be approved as designated:

## **AREA B**

Creston Ladies Iron Maiden	Iron Maiden Golf Tournament	\$500
AREA H		
New Denver Hospice Society	Seniors Gathering and learn the movements of Qi Gong	\$1,000
AREA K		
Nakusp Rod & Gun Club	Wildfire Mitigation - Rifle Range	\$1,200
SLOCAN		
Village of Slocan	Xmas Tree Light-Up	\$58.81
Village of Slocan	Kootenay Animal Assistance Program (KAAP)	\$300

**Carried** 

## 9.6.2 Community Development

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

102/24

Community Development grants out of the funds available for the following Electoral Areas/Member Municipalities be approved as designated:

## **AREA D**

Kaslo and Area Senior Citizens Society	Supporting Senior Citizens	\$4,500
Kaslo Housing Society	Winter in the Forest Festival	\$1,500
Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society	Grizzly Bear Coexistence Solutions	\$5,000

AREA F		
North Shore Fire Department	North Shore Fire Department Social Club Initiatives	\$4,000
AREA G		
Okanagan Nation Alliance	Fish in Schools	\$500
AREA H		
Slocan Valley Community Legacy Society	Get Your Just Desserts	\$2,500
Winlaw Hall Association	Heat pump	\$5,000
AREA I		
Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society	Soup for the Cultured Soul 2024	\$1,500
AREA J		
Renata Development Society	Infrastructure Support	\$500
AREA K		
Okanagan Nation Alliance	Fish in Schools	\$1,500
SLOCAN		
Village of Slocan	SV Youth Choir	\$600
Village of Slocan	Winter Carnival	\$600
CRESTON Town of Creston		

## ORDER OF AGENDA CHANGED

The Order of Business was changed to address public time, with Item 12 Public Time considered at this time.

## 12. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:45 a.m.

Members of the public provided comments or asked questions regarding:

- Wildfire Mitigation;
- 2024 2028 Financial Plan Staff Requests;
- Emergency and Disaster Management Act; and
- the Climate Action Plan.

## ORDER OF AGENDA RESUMED

Item 9.7 Chair/CAO Reports was considered at this time.

## 9.7 CHAIR/CAO REPORTS

CAO Horn did not have a report.

Chair Watson indicated that she is no longer attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

## RECESS/ RECONVENED

The meeting recessed at 11:55 p.m. for lunch and reconvened 1:00 p.m.

## 10. RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

- That the Board APPROVE the issuance of Development Variance Permit V2312F to Walter Brent Scotten for the property located at 3034 Miller Road and legally described as LOT A DISTRICT LOT 788 KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 13885 (PID 010-472-886) to vary the minimum front setback regulation under 605.5 under the RDCK's Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 as follows:
  - 1. FROM 4.5 metres TO 0 metres to permit the construction of a dwelling unit.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That Electoral Area 'G' Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 2943, 2024 being a bylaw to amend Electoral Area 'G' Land Use Bylaw No. 2452, 2018 is hereby given FIRST and SECOND reading by content; AND FURTHER, that Staff be directed to provide notice that the public hearing is being waived in accordance with Sections 466 and 467 of the *Local Government Act*.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Goods and Services Agreement with the British Columbia Conservation Foundation for their WildSafeBC Program for the period of February 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents; AND FURTHER, that the annual funding for the WildSafeBC Program not exceed a cost of \$20,000 for 2024; AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Service \$101 Rural Administration (transferred through Environmental Services A100).

Carried

Director Graham and Vandenberg recorded opposed.

Director Graham declared a conflict of interested due to her company having interested in the project and left the meeting at 1:07 p.m.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the Ainsworth Sewer System Corporation for the project titled "Ainsworth Sewer Outfall and Upgrades" in the amount of \$100,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds allocated to Electoral Area D.

Carried

Director Graham returned to the meeting at 1:08 p.m.

## 11. DIRECTORS' MOTIONS

11.1 Director Tierney: Service Case Analysis - Kitchener Fire Response Service Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board direct staff to prepare an updated service case analysis to investigate the possibility of establishing a fire response service in the Kitchener community of Electoral Area B.

#### 11.2 Director Watson: Search and Rescue Teams

Director Watson is requesting a letter of support be sent to Emergency Management and Climate Readiness.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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WHEREAS Search and Rescue (SAR) teams are the backbone to urgent care in the rural areas particularly where no fire services are in place;

AND WHEREAS any changes to their governance structure, tasking out criteria and limits to SAR organizations capability training would have severe impacts to these volunteer based organizations that have been filling in the gaps of centralized health care in BC while also responding to increasing back country activity;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board send a letter of support for our SAR groups within the RDCK to Emergency Management and Climate Readiness to request that the scope of responsibility for SAR groups not be limited as a result of the new *Emergency and Disaster Management Act*.

**Carried** 

## 11.3 Director Page: Non-marketing Housing

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

**MOTION ONLY** 

WHEREAS, the RDCK recognizes the urgent need for non-market housing options to support the well-being and stability of our communities for all residents and there exists an opportunity to utilize available land and resources within the RDCK to develop non-market housing;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The RDCK Board hereby directs staff to identify, assess, and report on suitable land and resources within the RDCK that can be acquired, converted, and disposed of for the purposes of developing non-market housing.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO MOTION

The foregoing motion being:

WHEREAS, the RDCK recognizes the urgent need for non-market housing options to support the well-being and stability of our communities for all residents and there exists an opportunity to utilize available land and resources within the RDCK to develop non-market housing;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The RDCK Board hereby directs staff to identify, assess, and report on suitable land and resources within the RDCK that can be acquired, converted, and disposed of for the purposes of developing non-market housing;

Be amended to replace "to identify, assess, " with "to develop a cost assessment and study outlining the requirements for land development for housing", thus reading:

WHEREAS, the RDCK recognizes the urgent need for non-market housing options to support the well-being and stability of our communities for all residents and

there exists an opportunity to utilize available land and resources within the RDCK to develop non-market housing;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The RDCK Board hereby directs staff **to develop a cost** assessment and study outlining the requirements for land development for housing and report on suitable land and resources within the RDCK that can be acquired, converted, and disposed of for the purposes of developing housing.

**Carried** 

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

#### **MAIN MOTION**

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WHEREAS, the RDCK recognizes the urgent need for non-market housing options to support the well-being and stability of our communities for all residents and there exists an opportunity to utilize available land and resources within the RDCK to develop non-market housing;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The RDCK Board hereby directs staff to develop a cost assessment and study outlining the requirements for land development for housing and report on suitable land and resources within the RDCK that can be acquired, converted, and disposed of for the purposes of developing housing.

Carried

Director Lockwood, Casley and McFaddin recorded opposed.

#### 13. IN CAMERA

#### 13.1 RESOLUTION - MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

The Open meeting will be adjourned after In Camera without reconvening back into the open session unless there is business that needs to be addressed.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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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 bases identified in the following subsections:

- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;
- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;
- (n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2);

**Carried** 

## 13.2 RESOLUTION - RECESS OF OPEN MEETING

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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The Open Meeting be recessed at 1:56 p.m. in order to conduct the *In Camera* Board meeting and reconvened at 4:20 p.m.

**Carried** 

## 14. MATTERS ARISING FROM IN CAMERA MEETING

No items.

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

113/24 That the meeting adjourn at 4:20 p.m.

**Carried** 

## Originally signed by

Aimee Watson, RDCK Board Chair

Originally signed by

Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer