



Board Highlights

December 12, 2024

Procedure Bylaw Adopted

The Board adopted an updated Procedure Bylaw. Regional Districts are legislatively required to have an adopted procedure bylaw that establishes procedures for Board meetings. It is used to set shared expectations for process, procedure, and conduct at Board, Committee, and Commission meetings. This includes rules for how meetings are conducted, how decisions are made and recorded, and how participants (including the public) are involved in meetings. This helps ensure efficient local government meetings and transparent decision making. Amendments to the bylaw included the recording of RDCK Board meetings. [Click here](#) to read the updated bylaw.

Regional Housing Needs Report

The RDCK Board received the Regional District of Central Kootenay Housing Needs Report Update: Regional Summary Report, Electoral Area Summary Report and Community Profiles for the Villages of Kaslo, Nakusp, Salmo, and Slocan and agreed to publish the Housing Needs Report on the RDCK website.

The purpose of the report is to present to the RDCK Board of Directors the Engagement Summary and Final Interim Housing Needs Reports for the Housing Needs Assessment. The RDCK is required by Provincial legislation to complete a Housing Needs Assessment every five years. A Housing Needs Assessment is a report that describes current and anticipated housing needs in a community by collecting data, analyzing trends and speaking with community members with the goal of better understanding the kind of housing most needed in their communities by identifying existing and future gaps in housing supply. M'akola Development Services was hired as a consultant to complete the project, compiling seven separate reports to assess housing needs in the RDCK, as well as in participating member municipalities, while meeting statutory requirements.

The Village of Silverton Interim Housing Needs Report was also considered by the Board of Directors. However, the Village of Silverton report was not received by the Board. For more information regarding the Village of Silverton's Interim Housing Needs Report, please contact the Village directly.

[Click here](#) for the complete report.

2025 appointments for external committees

The Board appointed RDCK Directors to external committees for varying terms. These appointees represent regional interests on external bodies that deal with specific matters and issues relevant to local stakeholders. These committees include:

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- Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia – *Director Keith Page*
- Selkirk College Regional Innovation Chair for Rural Economic Development – *Director Aidan McLaren-Caux*
- Southeastern BC Regional Connectivity Committee – *Directors Garry Jackman and Walter Popoff*
- Ktunaxa/Kinbasket Treaty Advisory Committee – *Director Arnold DeBoon*
- Central Kootenay Food Policy Council – *Directors Aidan McLaren-Caux and Kelly Vandenberghe*
- Columbia Basin Regional Advisory Committee – *Directors Teresa Weatherhead, Henny Hanegraaf, and Garry Jackman (Duncan Reservoir)*
- Municipal Finance Authority – *Director Suzan Hewat*
- Regional Agriculture Liaison Service Steering Committee – *Director Kelly Vandenberghe*
- West Kootenay Transit Committee – *Directors Maria McFaddin, Diana Lockwood, and Walter Popoff*

Long term service awards

The Board recognized and thanked 25 employees for their long-term service to the RDCK.

- Joe Chirico – 30 years
- Mike Morrison – 15 years
- Angela Lund – 15 years
- Amy Wilson – 15 years
- Uli Wolf – 15 years
- Fernando Drabik – 10 years
- Heather Smith – 10 years
- Haley Pedersen – 10 years
- Megan Pilla – 10 years
- Marty Benson – 10 years
- Russel Archibald – 5 years
- Chrystal Williams – 5 years
- Dana Hawkins – 5 years
- Nelson Wight – 5 years
- Shelly Kindred – 5 years
- Eric Blow – 5 years
- Alexandra Divlakovski – 5 years
- Mike Brohman – 5 years
- Bryan Storey – 5 years
- Howard Sempf – 5 years
- Gord Ihlen – 5 years
- Donna Carmichael – 5 years
- Jen Small – 5 years
- Quin Johnstone – 5 years
- Amy Beth Priore – 5 years
- Kristy Koehle – 5 years

Director's Reports

RDCK Directors provide monthly reports outlining what they have been working on. [Click here](#) to read the December reports in the Board minutes.

RDCK Quarterly Report

For the latest RDCK Quarterly Report, which details the current projects and initiatives of the RDCK, please [follow the link](#).

RDCK Board Meeting Video Recording

To view a recording of this month's meeting, [click here](#).

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Discretionary Grants

AREA F

Blewett PAC – Gagaball Pit \$362

AREA I

Kootenay Employment Services – Kootenay Childcare Recruitment Coordinator \$1,500

Community Development Grants

AREA A

East Shore Trail and Bike Association – Winter Trail Maintenance \$3,000

AREA B

Yahk-Kingsgate Recreation Society – Equipment Purchase \$9,200

AREA D

Argenta Safety and Preparedness Society – Rural Resilience \$4,500

Lardeau Water Users Association – Emergency Back-Up Power Generator \$5,000

Jewett Elementary PAC – Hot Lunch Program \$1,000

AREA E

West Shores Leisure Advancement Society – Community Events Calendar \$1,800

West Shores Leisure Advancement Society – Nature and Drama Camp \$4,375

Blewett PAC – Gagaball Pit \$850

Harrop School House Society – Little Bear Daycare Proposal Development \$12,200

AREA G

Salmo District Golf Club – Golf Club Purchase \$5,000

Salmo District Arts Council – Stage 2 Infrastructure Planning \$5,000

Salmo Climbing Society – SVYCC Renovation \$4,900

Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy Salmo – Cooking Together \$4,752.95

AREA H

Castlegar Snowmobile Association – Parking Lot Enhancement and Repairs \$5,000

Slocan Lake Arts Council – Community Arts \$3,000

AREA I

Tarrys and District Community Hall Society – Mural Completion \$1,900

Tarrys Fire Rescue Auxiliary – Lunch with Santa \$1,500

Castlegar Snowmobile Association – Parking Lot Enhancement and Repairs \$12,500

Tarrys Fire Social Club – Purchase of Jackets \$1,000

AREA J

Castlegar Robson Branch 170 Royal Canadian Legion – Lounge Cooler \$14,803.95

Castlegar Snowmobile Association – Parking Lot Enhancement and Repairs \$12,500

Deer Park and Area Communication Society – Ongoing Communication \$4,067.50

AREA K

Village of Nakusp – Connect Nakusp	\$5,000
Arrow Lakes Gymnastics Club – 2024/2025 Gymnastics Season	\$3,000

VILLAGE OF KASLO

Kaslo Community Service Society – Christmas Hampers	\$4,000
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Community Works Fund

AREA B

Yahk-Kingsgate Fire Hall – Overhead Door Repair	\$56,884.80
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Recreation Commission No. 6 – New Denver, Silverton & Area

Silverton Community Club	\$500
Hills Recreation Society	\$1,800
North Slokan Trails Society	\$1,200
West Kootenay Football Club	\$2,000

Recreation Commission No. 9 – Portion of Area A

Riondel Arts Club	\$1,733
Boswell Memorial Hall	\$1,600
Boswell & District Farmers Institute	\$1,589.40
Riondel Community Park & Campground	\$873
Riondel Curling Club	\$1,745
South Kootenay Lake Art Connect Society	\$3,300
Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association	\$6,500
The Hexagon Players	\$2,250
South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society – Halloween in Riondel	\$1,215
South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society – Crawford Bay Community Christmas Potluck	\$800