



RDEK Board Highlights

December 2023

COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT REACHED

The RDEK and CUPE Local 2106 have ratified a five-year collective agreement that runs Jan 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027. The agreement focuses on two key areas: addressing the recent high inflation and cost of living increases, and employee wellness. The package includes wage increases that match the BC Consumer Price Index (CPI) in each year of the agreement along with updates to extended health benefits, two wellness days annually, and an adjustment in the flexible work schedule to a two week rotation from a three week rotation.

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GROWING COMMUNITIES FUND ALLOCATION

The Board has finalized the allocation of the remaining \$2,167,000 Growing Communities Funds as follows:

- East Side Lake Windermere Water System Service - \$1,462,000
- Edgewater & Holland Creek Water/Sewer - \$125,000
- Edgewater Water System - \$500,000
- Electoral Area Administration Service - \$80,000

This is in addition to the \$1,500,000 in Growing Communities Funds that had already been allocated to the Cold Spring Creek Debris Flow Mitigation Project in Fairmont.

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ADDITIONAL FUNDS APPROVED FOR DRY HYDRANT UPGRADE

An additional \$4,500 in funding has been approved from the Baynes Lake Fire Vehicle and Equipment Reserve to commission an environmental change notice for the repair and upgrade of the Baynes Lake Hydrant.

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FUNDING APPROVED FOR MEMORIAL ARENA REPAIRS

The RDEK has approved a grant of \$500,000 from the Community Works Fund to the City of Cranbrook for the Memorial Arena Repair Project. The arena was closed after experiencing issues with the roof structure and repairs are currently underway so that the facility can be reopened for the 2024/2025 season.

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GALLOWAY CURLING CLUB UPGRADE PROJECT FUNDING

The Lions Club of Sand Creek will receive \$400,000 in Community Works Funds for the Galloway Curling Club Ice Plant Upgrades Project. The Curling Club has been running since 1958 and is a treasured community asset. The ice plant is at least 65 years old and requires upgrades. In addition, under-ice piping and electrical system upgrades are required. The approved funds will fund 100% of the project.

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BUILDING & PLUMBING INSPECTION SERVICES AGREEMENTS

The Chair and CAO have been authorized to sign agreements with the District of Elkford, Yaqui ʔaknuqʔi 'it and ʔaqam, for the provision of building and plumbing inspection services on an as required basis for January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2026.

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RUSHMERE UTILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Craig Bacher, Ken MacRitchie, Stewart Zarowny, and Sandra Boss have been re-appointed to the Rushmere Water System Utility Advisory Commission for a two-year term ending December 8, 2025. The Commission makes recommendations to the Area Director and RDEK Board on the operations and maintenance of the Rushmere Water System.

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NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

January 11, 2024

RDEK Committee Meetings

TBA

January 12, 2024

RDEK Board Meeting

9:00 AM

To view all the upcoming meetings and notices, visit the
Meetings & Notices page on www.rdek.bc.ca

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS IN AID (DGIA)

The Toby Creek Nordic Ski Club will receive \$1,500 from the Electoral Area F and \$500 from the Electoral Area G DGIA accounts to help with the purchase of equipment for its skills development and winter programs.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

BYLAW NO. 3277 – Lake Koocanusa Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2432, 2013 – Amendment Bylaw No. 9, 2023 (Koocanusa Village / KV Properties)

- and -

BYLAW NO. 3278 – SweetWater Zoning and Floodplain Management Bylaw No. 2127, 2009 – Amendment Bylaw No. 11, 2023 (Koocanusa Village / KV Properties)

- **The public hearing will be held via Zoom:**

- **Date:** Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 6:00 pm
- **Register in advance by 4:30pm January 19, 2024** here: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_f9LH0pHhQPj07RVMiYXsIQ#/registration.
- **Link:** Public Hearing Notice

For more information contact Tracy Van de Wiel, Planning Technician at 250-489-0311 or toll free at 1-888-478-7335 or email tvandewiel@rdek.bc.ca.

STR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT APPLICATIONS

APPLICATIONS UNDER STAFF DELEGATED CONSIDERATION:

Pursuant to Section 494 of the *Local Government Act*, public notice is hereby given that the RDEK is considering the following Short-term Rental Temporary Use Permits. Issuance of the permits will be considered by the delegated staff person at **10:00 am on January 3, 2024** at the RDEK office at 19 - 24 Ave S in Cranbrook, BC. To view the permits, learn more about the comment deadline and how to make a submission, [visit the Meetings & Notices page on www.rdek.bc.ca](http://www.rdek.bc.ca).

PERMIT NO.	PROPONENT	ADDRESS	# OF GUESTS APPLIED FOR
STR 23-002	Jeremy Mount & Cailey Hartwick	1122 Hilltop Rd (Windermere)	10
STR 23-005	T&T Developments Ltd.	1759 Sinclair Ave (Windermere)	8
STR 23-016	Larry & Mari Clovechok	5393 Dutch Creek Rd (Dutch Creek)	8
STR 23-029	Deborah Morgan	3536 Toby Creek Rd (Rural Invermere)	9
STR 23-030	Andrew Lovett-Barron & Ayla Newhouse	2370 Westside Rd (Rural Invermere)	4
STR 23-007	Stephen & Lisa Selinger	5424B Resort Dr (Fernie)	10
STR 23-022	Fernie Central Reservations	386 Currie Rd (Baynes Lake)	10
STR 23-023	Fernie Central Reservations	6488 Tie Lake Rd (Tie Lake)	10

APPLICATIONS UNDER RDEK BOARD CONSIDERATION:

The Regional District of East Kootenay (RDEK) Board of Directors is considering the following proposed permits at its meeting on **January 12, 2024** at the RDEK office at 19 - 24 Ave S in Cranbrook, BC. To view the permits, learn more about the comment deadline and how to make a submission, [visit the Meetings & Notices page on www.rdek.bc.ca](http://www.rdek.bc.ca).

PERMIT NO.	PROPONENT	ADDRESS	# OF GUESTS APPLIED FOR
STR 23-001	Sydney Jerome	6003 Diamond B Ranch Rd (Sparwood)	12
STR 23-019	Fernie Central Reservations	5402 Boomerang Way (Fernie Alpine Resort)	16