

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE RDEK BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 6, 2015

2016 Board Meeting Dates Approved

The 2016 Board meeting schedule will be as follows:

January 8	May 6	September 2
February 12	June 10	October 7
March 4	July 8	November 4
April 1	August 5	December 2

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West Fernie Engineering Services Contract Increased

The engineering services contract with the Kerr Wood Leidal/MPE Engineering team for the West Fernie Servicing & Restructure Project will be increased to a total not to exceed \$1,970,486 for Phases 1 and 2.

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Engineering Services Manager

Windermere Reservoir Project Under Budget

The Windermere Reservoir Project is well underway and construction on the new reservoir is expected to be complete in early December. There have been several cost savings on the project, resulting in a surplus of approximately \$350,000. The Board has approved spending those funds on further upgrades, specifically secondary chlorination and Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) remote monitoring instrumentation. Both of these upgrades are of value for the water system, regardless of which treated water solution the community ultimately selects. Both are also within the project's approved scope and can be completed within the time constraints of the grant. The Windermere Reservoir Construction contract with Border Holdings has been amended to include secondary chlorination and the Engineering Services contract with WSP Canada Ltd. has been amended to include the PRV remote monitoring instrumentation.

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Engineering Services Manager

Steeles Official Community Plan Adopted

The Board adopted a new Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw for the communities of Fort Steele, Wardner, Mayook and Bull River. The planning and public consultation process began in November 2013 and concluded with a public hearing in Wardner this past August.

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Planning & Development Services Manager

New Elko Fire Department Taking Shape

In preparation for the start up of the new Elko Fire Department, the Board has amended its Mutual Aid Bylaw and adopted an updated Fire Department Regulation Bylaw. The Mutual Aid Bylaw allows all RDEK fire departments to provide support to each other as required and was amended to include Elko. The updated Regulation Bylaw combines two existing Fire Department Regulation Bylaws into one and adds in the new Elko Fire Department. In addition, the BC Hydro payments in lieu of taxes relating to the Elko dam have been allocated to the Elko Fire Protection Service. For 2015, this works out to \$20,949 for the new Service, which is expected to be on line within a few weeks.

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Building & Protective Services Manager

Ministries Encouraged to Provide Enhanced Levels of Support to Control Invasive Plants

A letter will be sent to the Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure and the Ministry of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations encouraging them to provide enhanced levels of support to control invasive plants on Crown Land. In addition, RDEK staff will consult with the Board and begin enhanced enforcement activities on private properties identified to have invasive plant concerns.

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Environmental Services Manager

Map Reserve Sought over Tie and Rosen Foreshore

The Board will be requesting the Ministry of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations establish a Section 16 map reserve over the foreshore and bed of Tie and Rosen Lakes to allow the RDEK to complete an Official Community Plan for the area and develop policies to manage group moorage facilities and docks fronting public land. A Section 16 map reserve will allow the Province to refuse to accept certain types of foreshore tenure applications. The Board's request is the result of a recently launched planning process for the lake communities that is expected to address issues related to shoreline development.

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Service Establishment Process Given Green Light

The RDEK Board has directed staff to proceed with the process to establish a new liquid waste service in Electoral Area A. Currently, revenues and expenses associated with the Septage Receiving Pond near Hosmer are included in the Solid Waste service. The establishment of a new service would separate it from the Solid Waste budget and maintain the current practice of keeping the costs associated with, and revenues generated by, this liquid waste facility in Electoral Area A. There would be no impact to tax payers as a result of establishing this new service. To proceed with establishing a new service, elector assent is required. An Alternative Approval Process is expected to be held in the New Year.

Contact: *Shawn Tomlin* 250-489-2791
Chief Financial Officer

Area B OCP Advisory Committee Appointed

Twelve people have been appointed to the Area B Official Community Plan Advisory Committee: Nathan Anselmo, Shaun Damstrom, Travis Fahselt, Bruce Gilmar, Marla Jones, Rex Kary, Keith McLean, Gary Mitchell, Roy Oler, Fred Robertson, Lorie Sinclair and Shayne Webster. The Committee will provide input to the Area B Director and Planner throughout the OCP Planning Process.

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Planning & Development Services Manager

Parks Plan Amended

The Regional Parks Plan has been amended to add Westside Legacy Trail and the Edgewater School Path. The School Path has been designated an Area G Park and an application will be submitted to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to construct and maintain the Path within the road right-of-way along Sinclair Street.

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Environmental Services Manager

Whiteway to Receive Funding

The Lake Windermere Whiteway will begin receiving \$7500/year in operational funding starting in 2016. The funding will come from the Columbia Valley Recreation Service.

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Environmental Services Manager

Two New Members Appointed to Area A APC

Steve Hill and Karen Alexander have been appointed to the Advisory Planning Commission and Electoral Area Advisory Commission for Electoral Area A.

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Planning & Development Services Manager

Letter of Thanks to be Sent

A letter of thanks will be written to Peter Pankovitch and Copper Point Golf Course for their respective contributions in 2015 to Windermere Beach and Crossroads Ballpark.

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Environmental Services Manager

Discretionary Grants in Aid (DGIA)

The Elko Fire Protection service will receive \$49,000 from the Electoral Area B DGIA account. In 2011, the RDEK opted to allocate the payments in lieu of taxes it receives from BC Hydro for the Elko Dam to the Area B DGIA account so that if/when a fire protection service was established in Elko, it would be used towards that service. Now that the Elko Fire Protection service is established, the accumulated funds can be transferred from the DGIA account and will be used to help purchase equipment for the new Fire Department.

Contact: *Stan Doehle* 250-529-7500
Electoral Area B Director

City of Cranbrook Leisure Services will receive \$3,927.50 from the Electoral Area C DGIA account for a bulk purchase aquatic passes. The passes will be distributed to Area C residents at a reduced rate and details of the program will be released soon.

Contact: *Rob Gay* 250-489-4242
Electoral Area C Director

The Canadian Mental Health Association will receive \$1,500 from the Electoral Area C DGIA account for its annual Community Christmas Dinner.

Contact: *Rob Gay* 250-489-4242
Electoral Area C Director

The Fairmont and District Lions Club will receive \$6,000 from the Electoral Area F DGIA account for its Recycling Operation and Garage Sale Storage Building.

Contact: *Wendy Booth* 250-345-6155
Electoral Area F Director

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Discretionary Grants in Aid (DGIA)

The Fairmont Business Association will receive \$1,000 from the Electoral Area F DGIA account for a Highway Reader Board Sign.

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 Electoral Area F Director

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday
 Committee Meetings

December 3, 2015
 TBA

Friday
 RDEK Board Meeting

December 4, 2015
 9:00am

RDEK Happenings

Public Meetings:

Central Community Directed Funds Committee
Thursday, November 12, 2015—3:00pm
 RDEK Board Room (Cranbrook)

Public Hearings:

Monday, November 23, 2015—4:00pm
Fairmont Hot Springs Resort—Birch Room
5225 Fairmont Resort Road, Fairmont Hot Springs

Bylaw No. 2646—Regional District of East Kootenay – Upper Columbia Valley Zoning Bylaw No. 900, 1992 – Amendment Bylaw No. 307, 2015 (Lyttle Lake / Hutchinson & Anderson)

Tuesday, November 24, 2015—7:00pm
Regional District of East Kootenay—Board Room
19 - 24th Ave S, Cranbrook

Bylaw No. 2620—Regional District of East Kootenay – Cranbrook Rural Zoning Bylaw No. 1402, 2001 – Amendment Bylaw No. 37, 2015 (Density Averaging / RDEK)

Bylaw No. 2621—Regional District of East Kootenay – Wycliffe Zoning & Floodplain Management Bylaw No. 2256, 2010 – Amendment Bylaw No. 8, 2015 (Density Averaging / RDEK)

Bylaw No. 2624—Regional District of East Kootenay – Moyie & Area Land Use Bylaw No. 2070, 2008 – Amendment Bylaw No. 9, 2015 (Density Averaging / RDEK)

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Bylaw No. 2560—Regional District of East Kootenay – Moyie & Area Land Use Bylaw No. 2070, 2008 – Amendment Bylaw No. 8, 2014 (Miscellaneous / RDEK)

Bylaw No. 2570—Regional District of East Kootenay – Rockyview Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2255, 2010 – Amendment Bylaw No. 13, 2014 (Miscellaneous / RDEK)

Bylaw No. 2577—Regional District of East Kootenay – Cranbrook Rural Zoning Bylaw No. 1402, 2001 – Amendment Bylaw No. 34, 2014 (Miscellaneous / RDEK)

Bylaw No. 2653—Regional District of East Kootenay – Wycliffe Zoning & Floodplain Management Bylaw No. 2256, 2010 – Amendment Bylaw No. 10, 2015 (Miscellaneous / RDEK)

The Cranbrook and Columbia Valley RDEK offices will be closed for Remembrance Day on Wednesday, November 11 and will reopen on Thursday, November 12 at 8:30am for regular business hours.

