

# **Notice of Assent Voting (Referendum)**

# Slocan Valley Fire Service Loan Authorization Bylaw

**PUBLIC NOTICE** is hereby given to the electors within the Village of Slocan and defined portions of Electoral Areas H and I—Slocan Valley Fire Protection Service Area of the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) that "Assent Voting" is necessary to determine if the electors are in favour of the RDCK Board adopting:

Slocan Valley Fire Protection Service Loan Authorization (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2914, 2023

The vote will be conducted in accordance with the *Local Government Act* (LGA). The question to be asked to obtain the assent of the electors shall be:

Are you in favour of the Regional District adopting Slocan Valley Fire Protection Service Loan Authorization (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2914, 2023, which will permit the Regional District to borrow an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for the purpose of replacing the Winlaw Volunteer Fire Department front line fire engine?

YES

NO

### **Voting Opportunities**

November 22, 2023—8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Winlaw Fire Hall

5741 Hwy 6 Winlaw BC

December 2, 2023-8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Winlaw Fire Hall 5741 Hwy 6, Winlaw BC

Slocan Fire Hall 8877 Slocan Rd South, Slocan BC

Crescent Valley Fire Hall 1365 Hwy 6, Crescent Valley BC

#### **Eligible Electors**

**Resident Electors** must meet all the following requirements:

- You are a Canadian citizen;
- You are 18 years of age or older on or before general voting day;
- You are a resident of BC for at least 6 months immediately prior to the day of registration;
- You are a resident of the Village of Slocan and Defined Portions of RDCK Electoral Areas H and I—Slocan Valley Fire Protection Service Area of the RDCK; and
- You are not disqualified by the *LGA* or any other Act from voting in an election or be otherwise disqualified by law.

Non-Resident Electors must meet all of the following requirements:

- You are a Canadian citizen;
- You are 18 years of age or older on or before general voting day;
- You have lived in BC for at least 6 months immediately prior to the day of registration;
- You are the registered owner of real property within the Village
  of Slocan and Defined Portions of RDCK Electoral Areas H and I—
  Slocan Valley Fire Protection Area for at least 30 days
  immediately before the day of registration (Note: the only
  persons who are registered owners of the real property, either as
  joint tenants or tenants in common, are individuals who are not
  holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust);
- You must only register in relation to one piece of property in the jurisdiction;
- If more than one person owns the property, only one owner may register and that person must have the written consent of a majority of the other owners; and
- You are not disqualified by the LGA or any other Act from voting in an election or be otherwise disqualified by law.

If you are not on the Voters List and wish to register on voting day please visit our website for the required documentation for Resident or Non-resident electors.

## **Voting by Mail**

Qualified electors wishing to receive a Mail Ballot Package must apply to the RDCK before November 30, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. Ballots must be returned to the RDCK at Box 590, 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC by 8:00 p.m., Saturday, December 2, 2023. In the event that ballots cannot be returned by mail they may be hand delivered to reception or placed in the mail slot at 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC.

#### Synopsis of Bylaw No. 2914

As required by the *LGA*, the following is a synopsis of the Bylaw to be submitted for the assent of the electors:

Slocan Valley Fire Protection Service Loan Authorization (Frontline Fire Engine) Bylaw No. 2914, 2023 authorizes the Regional District to borrow up to \$750,000 for the purchase of a replacement Frontline Fire Engine for the Winlaw Volunteer Fire Department.

This synopsis is not intended to be and are not deemed to be an interpretation of the Bylaw.

TAKE NOTICE, the above mentioned Bylaw may be inspected at the following location:

Regional District of Central Kootenay, 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC, during normal working hours, or is available for viewing on our website.