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Regional District of Central Kootenay REGULAR BOARD MEETING Open Meeting Minutes

The first meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in 2024 was held on Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. through a hybrid meeting model.

Quorum was maintained throughout the meeting.

ELECTED	OFFICIALS
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PRESENT	Chair A. Watson
	Director G. Jackman

Electoral Area A In-Person Director G. Jackman Electoral Area B In-Person Director R. Tierney Director K. Vandenberghe Electoral Area C In-Person Director C. Graham Electoral Area E

Electoral Area D

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 Director T. Weatherhead Electoral Area K

City of Castlegar Director B. Bogle In-Person Director A. DeBoon Town of Creston In-Person Village of Kaslo Director S. Hewat In-Person Director A. McLauren-Caux Village of Nakusp In-Person City of Nelson Director K. Page In-Person

Village of Salmo In-Person Director D. Lockwood Director L. Main Village of Silverton In-Person

Village of Slocan Director J. Lunn

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Director M. McFaddin City of Castlegar ABSENT

> Village of New Denver Director L. Casley

STAFF PRESENT Chief Administrative Officer S Horn

> Corporate Officer/Manager of M. Morrison **Corporate Administration**

A. Lund **Deputy Corporate Officer**

J. Chirico General Manager of Community

Services

S. Sudan General Manager of Development &

Community Sustainability Services

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

J. Dupuis Bylaw Enforcement Supervisor

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S. Imada Senior Energy Specialist

Z. Giacomazzo Planner

D. Elliott Communications Coordinator

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=mae5594f6ac386f8f05d3c4041f284837

Join by Phone:

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

Meeting Number (access code): 2773 062 9039

Meeting Password: JZmHWgaf453 (59649423 from phones)

In-Person Location:

202 Lakeside Drive - Boardroom 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

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That Item 4.3.7 South Slocan Commission of Management be added to the agenda.

Carried 2/3 vote

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

The agenda for the January 18, 2024 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted with the following:

- inclusion of Item 4.2.4 Castlegar and District Recreation Commission: minutes January 9, 2024;
- inclusion of Item 4.3.6 Electoral Area A Recreation Commission No. 9;
- inclusion of Item 4.3.7 South Slocan Commission of Management;
- inclusion of Item 8.2 Bylaw 2944: 2024 Temporary Loan;
- inclusion of Item 9.2.3 Assent Vote: Appointment of Chief Election Officer and Deputy Chief Election Officer Curbside Collection; and
- the addition of the addendum

before circulation.

2.3 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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The minutes from the December 14, 2023 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

2.4 INTRODUCTIONS

CAO Horn introduced Joann Concepcion, Payroll Specialist, replacing Durga Merupati who has moved into the Payroll System Analyst position.

2.5 DELEGATION

2.5.1 Community Futures Central Kootenay and West Kootenay Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP)

Andrea Wilkey, Executive Director Erin Rooney, West Kootenay RNIP Coordinator Alison MacDonald, West Kootenay RNIP Administrative Assistant

Andrea Wilkey introduced Erin Rooney and Alison MacDonald from RNIP to the Board and provided an overview of the RNIP that began in 2020. The RNIP continues to support community-driven sub-regional initiatives to enhance economic health in the region through economic immigration. The RNIP has had a positive impact on the communities and has contributed to innovative and workplace diversity. Ms. Wilkey pointed out the many benefits of the RNIP and gave the floor to Erin Rooney to discuss the statistics collected in the last three years.

Erin Rooney presented the data collected to date from the pilot. She discussed the jobs that have been filled through the RNIP and the employers who have engaged in the pilot. Ms. Rooney provide success stories and indicated that 979 people (skilled workers and families) have received community recommendations for Canadian Permanent Residence (CPR). She discussed the retention data and that 90% of the RNIP applications who received CPR still live in the region and 81% still work for the same employer. Ms. Rooney indicated that 61% of the RNIP applicants are graduates of Selkirk College and majority of the applicants already have housing. The RNIP has been very successful and is hoping to continue.

In closing, Ms. Wilkey indicated the pilot is scheduled to end August 31, 2024. The Government of Canada and Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada announced they are looking to make the Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot a permanent program and Community Futures Central Kootenay is putting forth an application to BC's Rural Economic Diversification & Infrastructure Program to continue the RNIP. In order to be considered there needs to be 10% of the funds secured locally and Ms. Wilkey request the Board considered funding the pilot.

Andrea Wilkey and Erin Rooney answered the Board's questions.

Chair Watson thanked Andrea, Alison and Erin for their presentation.

RECESS/ The meeting recessed at 9:31 due to technical issues and reconvened at 9:36 a.m. **RECONVENED**

3. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

3.1 Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee: minutes December 12, 2023 Staff has requested an amendment to Resolution 716/23 as per UBCM's request.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

04/24 That the resolution 716/23 being:

That the Board direct staff to submit a funding application to UBCM Community to Community (C2C) for Kootenay Lake Partnership 2024 strategic planning;

be amended to read the following:

That the Board ratify the funding application to the UBCM Community to Community (C2C) Program for the Kootenay Lake Partnership 2024 strategic planning; AND FURTHER, the RDCK is willing to provide overall grant management and supports all proposed activities within the C2C grant application for Kootenay Lake Partnership 2024 strategic planning with less than 10 hours of staff time to come from Planning and Land Use Service S104.

Carried

3.2 The email dated November 9, 2023 from Jennyce Hoffman, Heritage BC, seeking sponsorship for the 2024 Annual Heritage Conference in Nelson, BC.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

That the Board sponsor in the amount of \$1,700 to the Heritage BC's 2024 Annual Conference being held May 1 to 3, 2024 in Nelson, BC being paid from General Administration Service \$100.

Carried

4. **COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS**

4.1 FOR INFORMATION

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

- **4.1.1** Area B Advisory Planning Commission: minutes November 28, 2023
 Staff received the recommendation to support the Development Variance Permit application.
- 4.1.2 Riondel Commission: minutes November 7, 2023
- 4.1.3 Salmo and Area G Recreation Commission No. 7: minutes November 27, 2023
 Staff has received the recommendation to have a reserve fund setup for Salmo
 Valley Youth and Community Services S218 in the 2024 draft budget.

4.1.4 North Kootenay Lake Services Committee:

Staff has received the recommendations for the proposed 2024 draft budgets for the Kaslo and Area D Library Service, Jaws of Life, Fire Service and for the Emergency Services update.

4.1.5 Riondel Commission: minutes December 5, 2023

Staff received the recommendations for the appointments to the Riondel Commission, the letters to the ministries and the 2024 Recreation Facilities draft budget. The members were appointed at the December 14, 2024 Board meeting.

4.1.6 Castlegar and District Community Complex Recreation Commission: minutes December 5, 2023

Staff received the recommendations to review the lease for the Pass Creek Regional Park, the agreement between RDCK and the Castlegar Hockey Society, and the public engagement for the Glade Regional Park upgrades.

4.1.7 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes December 7, 2023

Staff has received the recommendations regarding the Traditional Use Study Park Priority Report.

- 4.1.8 Area J Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes January 3, 2024
 Staff received the recommendation to support the Development Variance Permit Application to Sutco Contracting Ltd.
- 4.1.9 West Resource Recovery Committee: minutes January 4, 2024
- 4.1.10 Area A Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes January 4, 2024

4.2 WITH RECOMMENDATIONS

4.2.1 Kaslo and Area D Economic Development Commission: minutes December 11, 2023

Staff has received the recommendations for funding the Imagine Kootenay program in the 2024 draft budget and the letters of support from the Kaslo and Area D Economic Development Commission.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

That the Board approve Director Hewat be reimbursed for travel expenses and paid a stipend for the September 26, 2023 Imagine Kootenay Steering Committee meeting held in Nelson, BC to be paid from Kaslo and Area D Economic Development Commission Service S109.

Carried

Carried

4.2.2 Nakusp and Area K Recreation Commission No. 4: minutes January 10, 2024 Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

That the Board approve the payment of the following grant from the Recreation Commission No. 4 – Area K and Village of Nakusp (S228) 2024 budget:

West Kootenay Football Club

\$6,000

4.2.3 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes January 11, 2024

Staff has received the recommendations regarding the 2024 draft financial plan.

DIRECTOR PRESENT

Director Newell joined the meeting at 9:53 a.m.

4.2.4 Castlegar and District Recreation Commission: minutes January 9, 2024

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

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That the Board direct staff to apply for a liquor license for the Castlegar and District Community Complex Arena bleachers, and that the RDCK enter into negotiations for an agreement with the Castlegar Hockey Society to manage the

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sale of liquor during Castlegar Hockey Society events; AND FURTHER, that all costs for the application and ongoing license costs be recovered through the agreement with the Castlegar Hockey Society.

Carried

Director Vandenberghe recorded opposed.

4.3 MEMBERSHIP

4.3.1 Area A Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

09/24

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

Julie March

Carried

4.3.2 Portion of Area E - Procter/Harrop/Balfour/Queens Bay Recreation Commission No. 10

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

10/24

That the following motion **BE REFERRED** to the April 18, 2024 Board meeting:

That the Board send a letter to the following outgoing members of the Portion of Area E - Procter/Harrop/Balfour/Queens Bay Recreation Commission No. 10 thanking them for their service:

Bill Macpherson Kim Palfenier Jenny Hide Ellen Schmidt Janet Scholtz Lenora Trenaman (SD8)

Carried

Director Graham recorded opposed.

4.3.3 Sunshine Bay Regional Park (Area E)

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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That the Board appoint the following individuals to the Sunshine Bay Regional Park (Area E) Commission for a term to end December 31, 2024:

Ken Foot Ruth Prosser Elaine Beaulac Lorie Dosenberger Jennifer Dehnel Rich Newton Alexandria McCulloch

4.3.4 Grandview Water Service Community Advisory Committee

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

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That the Board send a letter to outgoing member Mike Orton thanking him for his service to the Grandview Water Service Community Advisory Committee.

Carried

4.3.5 Area J Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

13/24

That the Board send a letter to outgoing member Jeff Grant thanking him for his service with the Area J Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission.

Carried

4.3.6 Electoral Area A Recreation Commission No. 9

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

14/24

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

Dee Gilbertson

Carried

4.3.7 South Slocan Commission of Management

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

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That the Board appoint the following individuals to the South Slocan Commission of Management for a term to end December 31, 2024:

Peter Wood Kathy Loxam Ian McGovern Gary Niminiken Ben Euerby Cyndy Lawrence Stacey Throop

Carried

RECESSED/ The meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. for a break and reconvened at 10:30 a.m. **RECONVENED**

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

Allu Resolve

That Item 4.4 Directors' Reports be postponed and placed before Item 13 In Camera, with Item 5 Correspondence considered at this time.

CHANGED

ORDER OF AGENDA The Order of Business was changed with Item 4.4 Directors' Reports moved to before Item 13 In Camera, with Item 5.0 Correspondence considered at this time.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The request for funding support dated December 14, 2023 from Andrea Wilkey, Community Futures, for the West Kootenay Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot. Moved and seconded.

MOTION ONLY

That the Board approve the following funding contributions to the West Kootenay Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) from General Administration Service S100:

2024 \$4,000 2025 \$13,000 **2026** \$3,000.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO MOTION

17/24 That the foregoing motion, being:

That the Board approve the following funding contributions to the West Kootenay Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) from General Administration Service \$100:

2024 \$4,000 **2025** \$13,000 **2026** \$3,000:

be amended to replace "General Administration Service S100" with "Economic Development Service", thus reading:

That the Board approve the following funding contributions to the West Kootenay Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) from the **Economic Development Services:**

2024 \$4,000 **2025** \$13,000 **2026** \$3,000.

Defeated

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

18/24 That the following motion **BE REFERRED** to the February 16, 2024:

That the Board approve the following funding contributions to the West Kootenay Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) from General Administration Service S100:

2024 \$4,000 2025 \$13,000 **2026** \$3,000.

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Defeated

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

MAIN MOTION

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That the Board approve the following funding contributions to the West Kootenay Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) from General Administration Service S100:

2024 \$4,000 **2025** \$13,000 **2026** \$3,000.

Carried

Director Vandenberghe recorded opposed.

5.2 The letter dated January 2, 2024 from Bob Kitching, Creston Valley Regional Airport Society, seeking a letter of support for their BC Air Access Program application.

6. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 6.1 The letter dated December 1, 2023 from Jay Chalke, Ombudsperson, providing the RDCK the Ombudsperson Quarterly Report from July 1 September 30, 2023.
- 6.2 The letter dated November 28, 2023 from Trish Mandewo, UBCM, informing the RDCK of the second Community Works Fund payment for fiscal 2023/2024 will occur in December 2023.
- 6.3 The letter dated December 14, 2023 from Honourable Ravi Kahlon, Ministry of Housing, informing the RDCK of the new legislation to support local government housing initiatives.
- 6.4 The End of the Year Report from Honourable Janet Austin the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia.
- 6.5 The letter dated December 21, 2023 from Bindi Sawchuk, Ministry of Housing, informing the RDCK that funds in the amount of \$279,143 will be provide to the organization for housing initiatives.

7. FOR INFORMATION: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Accounts Payable Summary for December 2023 in the amount of \$2,707,517 has been received for information.

8. BYLAWS

8.1 Bylaw 2872: Zoning Amendment (Hallam and Pejski)

The Board Report dated December 22, 2023 from Zachari Giacomazzo, Planner, seeking Board give third reading to RDCK Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2872, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

20/24

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 given THIRD reading, as amended by content.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

21/24 That the consideration of adoption **BE REFERRED** for Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2872, 2022 to the February 15, 2024 Board Meeting.

Carried

8.2 Bylaw 2944: 2024 Temporary Loan

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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That the Temporary Loan Bylaw No. 2944, 2024 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Temporary Loan Bylaw No. 2944, 2024 be ADOPTED and the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY

9.1.1 Community Wildfire Resiliency Plans (Area D, E, F and I)

The Board Report dated December 20, 2023 from Nora Hannon, Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Senior Advisor, seeking Board approval of the updated Community Wildfire Resiliency Plans (CWRPs) for Electoral Areas D, E, F and I, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board approve and adopt the Community Wildfire Resiliency Plans for Electoral Areas D, E, F and I.

Carried

9.1.2 2024 Wildfire Mitigation and FireSmart Program

The Board Report dated December 20, 2023 from Nora Hannon, Disaster Mitigation and Adaption Senior Advisor, providing the Board an update on the 2024 Wildfire Mitigation and FireSmart Program, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board direct staff to apply to the 2024 and 2025 UBCM Community Resiliency Investment Program intake to coordinate and manage grant funding within the RDCK in order to operate the Wildfire Mitigation and FireSmart Program in 2024; AND FURTHER, if successful, the Board authorizes the Corporate Officer to sign the necessary documents to complete the grant agreement with UBCM Community Resiliency Investment Program to manage and administer the funds.

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9.1.3 Award: Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Pathways Study

The Board Report dated January 3, 2024 from Shari Imada, Senior Energy Specialist, providing the Board with an update on the status of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Pathway Study, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

26/24

That the Board direct staff to negotiate with the proponent, Building Energy Solutions Ltd. to achieve highest value to the RDCK, which meets all the required scope of work to deliver a GHG Emissions Reduction Pathway Study for RDCKowned facilities as described in the issued Request for Proposals; AND FURTHER, that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents, following negotiations, to award the GHG Emissions Reduction Pathway Study contract to Building Energy Solutions Ltd. to the maximum value of \$225,000 with funds to be paid from Service A108 Development Services.

Carried

Director Vandenberghe recorded opposed.

CHANGED

ORDER OF AGENDA The Order of Business was changed due 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.

The members of the public asked questions regarding the following:

- Recreation Commission No. 10 and continuing the service;
- the status of the Climate Action Plan;
- provincial and local government reaction to climate action and the pressure on the public;
- the status of the Planning workshop.

Chair and staff answered the public's questions.

RECESSED/ **RECONVENED**

The meeting recessed at 12:01 p.m. for lunch and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

ORDER OF AGENDA Item 9.2 Finance & Administration was considered at this time.

RESUMED

9.2 FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

9.2.1 Travel Allowance for RDCK Directors and Employees

The Board Report dated January 2, 2024 from Yev Malloff, General Manager of IT and Economic Development & Chief Financial Officer, providing the Board with further information regarding travel allowances, including meals and mileage allowance, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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That the Board direct staff to take no further action, and the meal allowances and mileage rates remain as per the current RDCK Directors and Alternate Directors Remuneration Bylaw 2710, 2021 with the Board report dated January 2, 2024 Travel Allowance for RDCK Directors and Employees authored by Yev Malloff to be considered by the Remuneration Committee in 2026.

Carried

Director Vandenberghe recorded opposed.

9.2.2 2024 Association of Kootenay and Boundary Local Governments (AKBLG)

The 2024 AKBLG Convention first call for resolutions deadline is February 16, 2024.

9.2.3 Assent Vote: Appointment of Chief Election Officer and Deputy Chief Election Officer - Curbside Collection

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

28/24

That the Board appoint Tom Dool as Chief Elections Officer and Angela Lund as Deputy Chief Election Officer for the Defined Areas F and H Curbside Collection Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2933, 2023 assent vote.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

29/24

That the Board appoint Tom Dool as Chief Elections Officer and Angela Lund as Deputy Chief Election Officer for the Defined Area J Curbside Collection Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2934, 2023 assent vote.

Carried

9.3 FIRE SERVICES

9.3.1 Service Agreement Extension: Canyon Lister, Wynndel, Electoral Areas B and C, and Arrow Creek

The Board Report dated December 21, 2023 from Nora Hannon, Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Senior Advisor, seeking Board approval for the Canyon Lister, Wynndel, Electoral Areas B and C and the Arrow Creek Fire Protection Service Area contract extensions with the Town of Creston, has been received.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

30/24

That the Board enter into one year contract extensions from January 1st to December 31st 2024 with the Town of Creston for the Canyon Lister Fire Protection Services Agreement, the Wynndel Lakeview Fire Protection Services Agreement, the Electoral Areas B and C and the area defined as "Arrow Creek Fire Protection Service Area" Fire Protection and Assistance Response Agreement and the Amendment to Canyon Lister Fire Hall Lease Agreement, and authorize the Board Chair and Corporate Officer to execute these agreements.

Carried

9.4 GRANTS

9.4.1 Discretionary

Moved and seconded, And Resolved: Discretionary grants out of the funds available for the following Electoral Areas/Member Municipalities be approved as designated:

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Valley Community Services Society	Better at Home East Shore	\$4000
Community Futures Central Kootenay	Climate Resilient Kootenay Business	\$800
Kootenay Region - Skate Canada BC/YT Section	Kootenay Region Figure Skating Championships	\$400
South Kootenay Lake ArtConnect Society	CBT Non-Profit Advisory Program	\$900
AREA B		
Kootenay Region - Skate Canada BC/YT Section	Kootenay Region Figure Skating Championships	\$600
Canyon Community Association	Community Celebration Spud Night	\$999
Wildsight Creston Valley	Wildlife Friendly Fencing Mailer	\$1000
AREA E		
LVR Grad Committee 2024	LVR Graduation 2024	\$1000
AREA F		
LVR Grad Committee 2024	LVR Graduation 2024	\$1500
AREA G		
Darelyn Stuart	Cleaning up the pondy	\$169.20
Community Futures Central Kootenay	Climate Resilient Kootenay Business	\$700
AREA I		
Glade Community Hall	Pie Bingo Fundraiser	\$400
Stanley Humphries Secondary School	Stanley Humphries Graduation Awards	\$3000
AREA J		
West Kootenay Regional Arts Council	Bent on Art Queer and Trans Arts Festival	\$300
Stanley Humphries Secondary School	Graduation 2023 Scholarship/Bursary Program	\$3000

Carried

9.4.2 Community Development

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

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

AREA B

Community Futures Central Climate Resilient Kootenay \$1,000 Kootenay Business

<u>AREA D</u>

Okanagan Nation Alliance	Fish in Schools	\$1,500
AREA F		
Okanagan Nation Alliance	Fish in Schools	\$1,250
AREA G		
Salmo & District Chamber of Commerce	Douglas fir protection in the Salmo Valley	\$5,000
AREA H		
Slocan Lake Arts Council	Matching Funds Grant in Aid	\$3,000
Okanagan Nation Alliance	Fish in Schools	\$1,500
AREA I		
Community Futures Central Kootenay	Climate Resilient Kootenay Business	\$700
Stanley Humphries Secondary School	Stanley Humphries Graduation Awards	\$3,000
Okanagan Nation Alliance	Fish in Schools	\$1,250
AREA J		
Okanagan Nation Alliance	Fish in Schools	\$1,250
AREA K		
Bayview Residents Association	Fire Caddy - Insurance and Building Costs	\$2,000
Nakusp Secondary School	Cultural Trip - Cirque du Soleil - CORTEO	\$2,000
Kinship Connection Society	KCC Energy Upgrades Project	\$3,000
Nakusp Elementary	Ski Program	\$10,000
Nakusp Rail Society	Roofing of the Milk Wagon Shelter	\$575
The Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department Society	Fire Fighter Gala	\$1,500
Nakusp Fire Brigade	Fitness Equipment	\$2,500
CRESTON		
Town of Creston AREA E	Accessory Dwelling Units	\$10,000
RDCK	Economic Development Support - Nelson, E, F	\$20,000

9.5 CHAIR/CAO REPORTS

CAO Horn provided the Board with an update on the burst water pipe at the 202 Lakeside Drive - Nelson Office that occurred at the beginning of the week. Staff has done an amazing job of navigating through the challenges and restoring access to the office within two days. The damages should all be covered by insurance.

Chair Watson indicated she gave an interview with the Co-op Radio regarding the ReDi program with CBT and is currently doing the Women in Leadership course.

DIRECTOR ABSENT Director Newell left the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

10. RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board APPROVE the issuance of Development Variance Permit V2310J to 0889922 BC LTD for the property located at 25 Old Mill Road, Electoral Area J and legally described as LOT 3, DISTRICT LOT 237, KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN EPP71075 (PID: 030-632-447) to vary Section 611.13 of RDCK Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 in order to permit 6985 m2 (approximately 70% of the property) to be surfaced with gravel,

SUBJECT TO:

- 1. The main vehicle route through the property as shown in the site plan provided by the applicant as "Paved Section" and constituting an area of 3,132 m2 is surfaced and maintained with asphalt paving;
- 2. Measures to control and mitigate dust are implemented as per the Dust Control Plan that has been prepared by the applicant (Attachment 'C of the Committee Report dated December 22, 2023 from Zachari Giacomazzo, Planner).

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2939, 2024 being a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 is hereby given FIRST and SECOND reading by content and referred to a PUBLIC HEARING.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That Kootenay-Columbia Rivers Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2940, 2024 being a bylaw to amend the Kootenay-Columbia Rivers Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1157, 1996 is hereby given FIRST and SECOND reading by content and referred to a PUBLIC HEARING.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That in accordance with Regional District of Central Kootenay Planning Procedures and Fees Bylaw No. 2457, 2015, Electoral Area I Director Andy Davidoff is hereby delegated the authority to chair the Public Hearing on behalf of the Regional District Board.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Board approve the RDCK extend the Goods and Services Agreement with the Valhalla Wilderness Society for their Bear Aware Program for the period of February 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2026, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents; AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Service A100 Environmental Services, funds from Area H grants.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the Castlegar and District Chamber of Commerce for the project titled "West Kootenay Gateway Visitors Centre" in the amount of \$50,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds allocated to Electoral Areas I and J, with \$25,000 being contributed by each.

Carried

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

- That the following list of heritage resources, identified as having heritage value, be included on the Regional District of Central Kootenay Community Heritage Register:
 - 1. Historic Hot Springs Trail; and
 - 2. Saddle Mountain Lookout Trail;

as per staff recommendation.

Carried

DIRECTOR PRESENT Director Newell rejoined the meeting at 1:31 p.m.

11. DIRECTORS' MOTIONS

11.1 Director Graham: Recording Board Meetings

Moved and seconded,

MOTION ONLY

That the Board directs staff to create a policy on recording the Board Meetings; AND FURTHER, the meetings be recorded starting February 2024 and made available to the public.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

40/24 Director Cunningham called for Division of the motion.

Carried

Director Graham recorded opposed.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

41/24

That the Board direct staff to create a policy on recording the Board Meetings and making the recordings available to the public.

Carried

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2
Moved and seconded,
MOTION ONLY

That the Board meetings be recorded starting February 2024.

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO MOTION

42/24 That the foregoing motion, being:

That the Board meetings be recorded starting February 2024;

be amended to replace "February" with "April", thus reading:

That the Board meetings be recorded starting April 2024.

Defeated

Moved and seconded, And Resolved: MAIN MOTION

43/24 That the Board meetings be recorded starting February 2024.

Defeated

Item 4.4 Directors' Reports was considered at this time.

4.4 DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Each Director provided a brief summary of the work they have been doing within their communities.

- 4.4.1 Director Jackman: CBRAC/RCC
- 4.4.2 Director Vandenberghe: December Activities
- 4.4.3 Directors Graham, Newell, Popoff: Letter of Support RCMP Nelson Detachment Organizational Structure
- 4.4.4 Director Davidoff: Letter of Support USCC Children's Orchard Childcare Centre
- 4.4.5 Director McLaren-Caux: December Activities

DIRECTOR ABSENT Director Newell left the meeting at 2:35 p.m. during Director's Reports.

DIRECTOR PRESENT Director Newell rejoined the meeting at 2:41 p.m.

RECESS/ The meeting recessed at 2:51 p.m. for a break and reconvened at 3:05 p.m. **RECONVENED**

13. IN CAMERA

44/24

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:

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:

- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (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:

45/24

The Open Meeting be recessed at 2:51 p.m. in order to conduct the *In Camera* Board meeting and reconvened at 4:14 p.m.

Carried

14. MATTERS ARISING FROM IN CAMERA MEETING

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

46/24 IC04/24 That the RDCK Board to enter into a one year lease of the concession at the Castlegar and District Community Complex, starting January 2024, to Chef's Choice, with the option to renew for an additional two years; BE RESCINDED, and that the RDCK Board enter into a month to month rental contracts with Chef's Choice until April 30, 2024.

Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded, And Resolved:

47/24 That the meeting adjourn at 4:14 p.m.

Carried

Originally signed by
Aimee Watson, RDCK Board Chair
Originally signed by
Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer