



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY**

**Riondel Commission of Management  
OPEN MEETING AGENDA**

**7:00 pm  
August 3, 2021  
Remote Meeting**

**Toll Free Number: 1.844.426.4405  
Conference Room Number: 953 925 98**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Commissioner Panio (Chair)	Riondel
Commissioner Tremblay	Riondel
Commissioner Wensink	Riondel
Commissioner Wallace	Riondel
Commissioner Anderson	Riondel
Commissioner Wilkinson	Riondel
Commissioner Cursons	Riondel
Commissioner Jackman	Director – Electoral Area A

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Panio called the meeting to order at [Time] p.m.

**2. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOVED** and seconded,  
AND Resolved:

The Agenda for the August 3, 2021 Riondel Commission of Management meeting, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried/Defeated/Referred**

**4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

The July 6, 2021 Riondel Commission of Management minutes, have been received.

**5. DELEGATE**

There are no Delegates scheduled for this Commission meeting.

**6. PUBLIC TIME**

The Chair will call for questions from the public at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

**7.1 Update on Emergency Preparedness**

Commissioner Wilkinson will provide the Commission with a verbal report on the progress of an Emergency Preparedness Strategy for the community.

**7.2 Motion to Request the Board Send A Letter to Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure Regarding the Condition of Riondel Road South.**

**MOVED** and seconded,

AND Resolved that it be recommended to the Board:

The Board send a letter to Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure requesting maintenance be done on the Riondel North South, from the Highway 3A Junction through to Aspen Road on the north end of the Village.

**Carried/Defeated/Referred**

**7.3 Motion to Request Loan to Repair Community Centre Roof**

**MOVED** and seconded,

AND Resolved that it be recommended to the Board:

That the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay authorizes up to \$200,000 be borrowed, under Section 403 of the *Local Government Act*, from the Municipal Finance Authority, for the purpose of the repair and maintenance to the Riondel Community Centre roof, and that the loan be repaid within 5 years, with no rights of renewal;

AND FURTHER, the costs be funded from Recreation Facility Area A (Riondel) Service S209.

**Carried/Defeated/Referred**

**7.4 Report on Community Centre planning**

Chair Panio will provide the Commission with a verbal report on Community Centre planning.

**7.5 Progress on re-opening Community Centre for public use**

Chair Panio will provide the Commission with a verbal report on progress on re-opening Community Centre for public use.

**7.6 Hiring of new janitor**

Chair Panio will provide the Commission with a verbal report on hiring of new janitor.

**7.7 Update on North Riondel Road speed change letter**

Chair Panio will provide the Commission with a verbal report on North Riondel Road speed change letter.

**7.8 Update on replacement of Riondel Regional Park backstop**

Chair Panio will provide the Commission with a verbal report on replacement of Riondel Regional Park backstop.

**7.9 Update on public noticeboard for water alerts**

Chair Panio will provide the Commission with a verbal report on public noticeboard for water alerts.

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**8.1 Thank you to volunteers on Community Centre garden area**

Chair Panio will provide the Commission with a verbal report and thank you to volunteers on Community Centre garden area.

**8.2 Letter regarding condition of South Riondel Road**

Commissioner Anderson will provide the Commission with a verbal report on the letter regarding condition of South Riondel Road.

**8.3 Review of protocols for work on RDCK & Teck land**

**8.4 Boarding up of windows at the old Recreation Centre**

**8.5 Proposal for even/odd day watering**

**8.6 Possible repositioning of Thomas Hammill memorial & other heritage items**

Commissioner Cursons will provide the Commission with a verbal report on possible repositioning of Thomas Hammill memorial and other heritage items.

**9. PUBLIC TIME**

The Chair will call for questions from the public at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

**10.1** The email dated July 9, 2021 from Sherlynn Green, regarding traffic issues at the Riondel Campground has been received.

**11. AREA A DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Jackman will provide the Commission with a verbal report.

**12. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

The Chair will provide the Commission with a verbal report on Commission expenses and revenues for June 2021.

**13. NEXT MEETING**

The next Riondel Commission of Management meeting is scheduled for September 7, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED** and seconded,  
AND Resolved:

The Riondel Commission of Management meeting be adjourned at [Time].

**Carried/Defeated/Referred**



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY**

**Riondel Commission of Management  
OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

**7:00 pm  
July 6, 2021  
Remote Meeting**

**Meeting Link:**

<https://nelsonho.webex.com/nelsonho/j.php?MTID=m7413d0cb150c47999dbad35b96c4c08a>

**Toll Free Number:** 1.844.426.4405  
**Meeting Access Code:** 177 602 7656

**COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Commissioner G. Panio (Chair)	Riondel
Commissioner W. Wensink	Riondel
Commissioner B. Wallace	Riondel
Commissioner T. Wilkinson	Riondel
Commissioner G. Jackman	Director – Electoral Area A

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Commissioner F. Cursons	Riondel
Commissioner G. Tremblay	Riondel
Commissioner N. Anderson	Riondel

**STAFF**

Sabrina Carmichael	Administrative Coordinator – Recording Secretary
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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Panio called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**2. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOVED** and seconded,

**AND Resolved:**

The Agenda for the July 6, 2021 Riondel Commission of Management meeting, be adopted with the inclusion of Agenda Item 8.4 Cell Signal Booster, before circulation.

**Carried**

**4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

The June 1, 2021 Riondel Commission of Management minutes, have been received. Please note the June 8, 2021 Open/In Camera meeting did not take place.

**5. DELEGATE**

No Delegates were scheduled for this Commission meeting.

**6. PUBLIC TIME**

No members of the media or public were in attendance at this meeting.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

**7.1 Report on Community Centre Planning**

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal report on the recent Building Sub-Committee meeting regarding the renovation of the Community Centre including, \$200K borrowing for the roof replacement, how we can work with CBT and the RDCK to fund an architect, Chair Panio to review the Fairbank documents again and Director Jackman to touch base with Tanji Zumpano to discuss Gas Tax Grant application. Chair Panio will collate all relevant documents related to the first Community Centre Renovation Referendum and have them available to Commissioners in the Commission office.

**STAFF DIRECTION** Bree Carmichael to set up a meeting with Joe Chirico and the Building Sub-Committee when Joe is back from vacation.

**7.2 Replacement of Fencing in Park**

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal update on the progress of plans to replace the fencing in the park including, proposed wooden fence on the south side of the ball field with a much higher net fencing installed on the inside of this fence to protect players and infrastructure.

**7.3 Riondel Trails Sign**

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal update on the Riondel Trails Sign including, Cary Gaynor has provided approval for the sign with suggestion of a user agreement to coincide and will be meeting with Cary this Thursday onsite.

**7.4 New Furnace Installation**

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal update on the plans to install the new furnaces in the Community Centre including, still waiting on report from the Engineer, contacted him last week and is swamped with work but will look over and get back to us.

### **7.5 Update on Emergency Preparedness**

Commissioner Wilkinson provided the Commission with a verbal report on the recent meeting with Jon Jackson, Emergency Program Coordinator including, met with John Jackson last month and discussed pamphlets for the community with preparedness ideas, two pages long, with the printer being costed before printing and distributing to the community. Reviewed some work that has been done before regarding plans and procedures and drafted letter to Western Pacific that is with Chair Panio for review. Once pamphlet is ready, go door to door to get an updated head count in case we have a repeat, and to identify residents who may be in need of assistance in the event of evacuation.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

### **8.1 Motion to Request Loan to Repair Community Centre Roof**

**MOVED** and seconded,  
And Resolved:

That the following motion BE REFERRED to the August 3, 2021 Riondel Commission of Management meeting:

That the Board direct staff to borrow \$200,000 over 5 years for repair and maintenance to the Community Centre Roof; AND FURTHER, that the cost be funded from Recreation Facility Area A (Riondel) Service S209.

**Carried**

**STAFF DIRECTION** Bree Carmichael to forward Chair Panio the revised motion that Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer emailed, for consideration.

### **8.2 Progress on Re-opening the Community Centre for Public Use**

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal report on the progress of re-opening the Community Centre for public use including, most groups have decided to hold off until September when COVID restrictions are further minimized. Current groups using the Community Centre are the Library, Pool on Thursdays, the Art Club is doing some pre planning for a show, the band is currently rehearsing outside and Chair Panio plans to start Movie Night again in September.

### **8.3 Posting of Janitorial Position**

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal report regarding the open Janitorial position at the Community Centre including, position posted with two responses, interviewing next week with a successful candidate to start soon hopefully.

### **8.4 Cell Signal Booster**

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal report to the Commission in regards to Cell Signal Booster including, wasn't aware of cell phone signal boosters and this is something we may want to consider installing to improve cell coverage in the building. Commissioner Wensink offered advice on how this might be done.

**9. PUBLIC TIME**

There were no members of the media or public in attendance at this meeting.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

**10.1** The email dated June 8, 2021 from Shirleen Smith, regarding Yellowhead Road & Bridge's street sweeping methods has been received.

**11. AREA A DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Jackman provided the Commission with a verbal report including, fire at the Creston Landfill today with response plans in place, no reports with regards to park usage, will follow up on installation of the speed sign, contact RCMP for traffic monitoring, and grant application submitted two years ago for running fiber optic cable past the community centre to the water plant, scope change discussion required with the Riondel Cable Society with Director Jackman to follow up on.

**12. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal report on Recreation Centre and Water budgets including, May statement looks fine. The listing of Commission expenses and revenues for June 2021 was not available for this meeting.

**13. NEXT MEETING**

The next Riondel Commission of Management meeting is scheduled for August 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED** and seconded,  
AND Resolved:

The Riondel Commission of Management meeting be adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

**Carried**

**Digitally approved via email.**

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Gerald Panio, Chair



## RECOMMENDATION(S) TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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1. *Nil.*

## STAFF DIRECTION

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1. *Bree Carmichael to set up a meeting with Joe Chirico and the Building Sub-Committee when Joe is back from vacation.*
2. *Bree Carmichael to forward Chair Panio the revised motion that Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer emailed, for consideration.*

**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND WILL BE CONSIDERED AT ITS APPROPRIATE MEETING AS STATED.**

## *Future Riondel Commission of Management Meetings*

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1. *That the following motion BE REFERRED to the August 3, 2021 Riondel Commission of Management meeting:*

*That the Board direct staff to borrow \$200,000 over 5 years for repair and maintenance to the Community Centre Roof; AND FURTHER, that the cost be funded from Recreation Facility Area A (Riondel) Service S209.*

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## Sabrina Carmichael

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**From:** Panio Gerald <gpanio@bluebell.ca>  
**Sent:** July 8, 2021 12:39 PM  
**To:** Sabrina Carmichael  
**Subject:** Re: FOR REVIEW: 2021-07-06-RCM-Minutes-DRAFT

Hi Bree,

Yes, they are approved.

Gerald

On Thu, Jul 8, 2021 at 11:18 AM Sabrina Carmichael <[SCarmichael@rdck.bc.ca](mailto:SCarmichael@rdck.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Gerald,

These are approved then?

**Bree Carmichael** | Administrative Coordinator – Community Services

**Phone:** 250.352.8195 |

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**From:** Panio Gerald <[gpanio@bluebell.ca](mailto:gpanio@bluebell.ca)>  
**Sent:** July 7, 2021 10:32 AM  
**To:** Sabrina Carmichael <[SCarmichael@rdck.bc.ca](mailto:SCarmichael@rdck.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: FOR REVIEW: 2021-07-06-RCM-Minutes-DRAFT

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Hi Bree,

Thanks for taking care of the minutes for this month. If the need should ever arise again, and you find yourself with a lot on your plate, I could do the minutes.

I've made some edits, which you can check under the review changes option. Feel free to accept, reject, or modify anything I've done.

I understand the the motion regarding the roof funding will be modified to remove the "repair and maintenance" phrase and substitute something like "rehabilitation" or "revitalization."

Gerald

On Tue, Jul 6, 2021 at 9:26 PM Sabrina Carmichael <[SCarmichael@rdck.bc.ca](mailto:SCarmichael@rdck.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Gerald,

Minutes from the Riondel Commission of Management meeting tonight for your review and approval please.

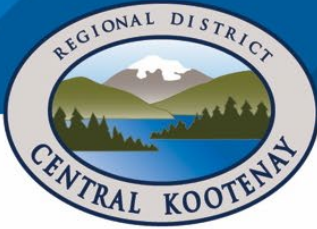
**Bree Carmichael** | Administrative Coordinator – Community Services

**Regional District of Central Kootenay**

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August 3, 2021

Jack Lesnick | Area Manager, Department of Highways  
[MAILING ADDRESS - CAPITALIZED]  
[City, Province POSTAL CODE]

Dear Jack Lesnick:

**RE: Condition of the South Riondel Road**

Welcome aboard the Riondel Roller Coaster. Junction of Highway 3-A to Riondel. Seven kilometres of humps and hollows, lumps and swallows, and hold-on-to-your -hat corners.

This is the only road in and out of our community. The road that Riondel residents rely on. The road our visitors and tourists use. The road our ambulance and other emergency vehicles use. The number of tourists and visitors travelling to and through Riondel increases every year. This year our road was used by over two hundred log hauler trucks. This road is narrow and getting narrower every year.

I think it was repaved twenty some odd years ago. A couple times since then it has been seal coated. Once in a while a bit of hot patch maintenance is done. Mostly though, the road only receives cold mix on Sunday afternoons, if time permits. The road surface is cracked, broken and frost-heaved. The shoulders are dog-eared or missing altogether. The road's condition is becoming hazardous to all who depend on it.

I have identified some key Safety Concerns:

As the paved shoulders deteriorate and slide slowly towards the lake, drivers are pushed to drive on or over the centreline. Often drivers are forced off the pavement and onto the broken, pot-hole-riddled shoulder. There has been a noticeable increase in the number of cyclists using the local roads, as well as walkers and joggers, and safe road shoulders are essential.

Drivers towing trailers or fifth-wheels get severely whip-lashed on the humps and hollows. Worst case scenario is panic and confusion; best case is that only the cutlery gets rearranged.

In winter our road gets even narrower. Meeting an oncoming snow plow is sometimes intimidating. Plowing the Riondel Road must be a challenge for the plow drivers.

On most highways in our province, when there is an irregularity in the paved surface or shoulder, caution signs, warnings or cones are placed to alert drivers. I can't remember ever seeing any of these warnings on the Riondel Road.

Riondel is largely a retirement community, and for seniors driving this section of highway can be quite stressful.

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We realize that the speed limit on the Riondel road is determined by road design and condition. It is currently 60km. Drivers late for the ferry have little respect for the speed limit. Police enforcement of the speed limit on the Riondel road is very limited.

We also understand the difficulty and costs in determining priority for highway upgrades, but we believe it is past time for improvement to our sole community access. The Riondel Commission of Management is requesting that consideration be given to resurfacing, widening, and improving the safety for drivers on the Riondel Road from the junction of Highway 3A through to Aspen Road on the north edge of Riondel.

We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

[RDCK Name]  
[RDCK Job Title]

[Submitted by initials]/[Wrote by initials]

[Enclosures]

cc:



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## Fwd: traffic

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**Sherlynn Green** <snfgreen@bluebell.ca>  
To: Commission Office <riocom@bluebell.ca>

Fri, Jul 9, 2021 at 6:22 PM

Hi Gerald:

I thought I would forward this letter to you.

The campground traffic is only one aspect of the worsening speeding problem, but hopefully two groups working together can better find a solution overall. The more voices, the better!

This is the second letter I have sent to the Campground Society asking that they post better signage.

Thanks for all you do.  
Sherlynn

----- Forwarded Message -----

**Subject:**traffic

**Date:**Fri, 9 Jul 2021 17:53:47 -0700

**From:**Sherlynn Green <snfgreen@bluebell.ca>

**To:**Riondel Community Campground Society <rccsociety@bluebell.ca>

Hello:

There was almost an accident involving two trucks & trailers outside the campground turnoff this afternoon. Just inches away. Would you please make your signage more visible and more of it to warn campers about where the turnoff is. I think many of them think that the turnoff is further outside of town and are just not prepared when it suddenly appears. The problem today was the first camper had to stop to allow outflowing traffic to go through because the entrance is fairly narrow and the second camper was just not prepared for the turnoff (ie travelling way too fast).

A suggestion: the Commission has been trying to find a solution of speeding down Eastman Ave and have been talking with Highways and the RCMP. Perhaps the Campground Society could work with the Commission and add their voice to help find some solution.

Also: would you please remind your campers that they are in town when they leave the campground and there is no need to speed up as if they are merging into city traffic? And please remind the motorbikers to be respectful of the noise level in town. I must say, many of the bikers are respectful, but the majority of them are a huge nuisance. Our nerves can only take so much!

Thanks for your attention to these problems.  
Sherlynn