



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights of the RDCK Board Meeting February 21, 2019 REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY NELSON, BC

For more information, contact Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer,
at (250) 352-8160 or alund@rdck.bc.ca

WATERSHED GOVERNANCE INITIATIVE – SCOPING STUDY

The Regional Watershed Governance Initiative will investigate the potential role of the RDCK in protecting consumptive water sources by considering what entity would best serve the needs of the communities, agencies, and overarching interests involved. The Board approved funds in the amount of \$26,250 from Service S105 Community Sustainable Living Advisory Service for the scoping study to better understand the potential watershed governance roles and responsibilities of the RDCK. The following watersheds will be part of the scoping study:

- Bourke, Sitkum & Duhamel Community Watershed (Area F);
- Arrow Creek Community Watershed (Area B);
- Ymir Community Watershed (Area G);
- Argenta Watershed (Area D);
- Harrop (Area E); and
- Deer Creek (Area J)

The study will complement the studies already taking place for Areas H and I ground water.

AGREEMENT: BC HYDRO AND REGIONAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM (REEP)

The Board approved entering into a contribution agreement with BC Hydro for the delivery of the Regional Energy Efficiency Program (REEP) – New Home. This program will offer education, training and workshops to builders and building officials with the goal of achieving 100% penetration of Step 1 of the BC Energy Step Code and 50% penetration of Step 3, over a 2-year period.

BALFOUR SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND DATA ACQUISITION (SCADA) UPGRADES

The Board approved the award of a non-competitive purchase for the Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition (SCADA) upgrades and Upper Zone pump move required at the Balfour Water Treatment Plant (WTP) to Westek Controls Ltd. in the amount of \$176,605.

EDGEWOOD WATER SYSTEM UPGRADES

The Board directed staff to prepare a Negotiated Request for Proposal for the Edgewood Water System Upgrades and undertake the procurement and negotiation with the proponent that offers the highest value to the RDCK which meets all required scope for less than \$1,500,000.00 plus GST. The Board had previously directed staff to cancel the tender and re-evaluate the project after initial bids on the work came in well over the estimated budget. The upgrades work includes a new reservoir, a booster station building, and the tie-in of two existing groundwater wells.

Web: www.rdck.ca

Email: info@rdck.bc.ca

Phone: (250) 352-6665

MUNICIPALITIES: **Cities:** Castlegar, Nelson **Town:** Creston **Villages:** Kaslo, Nakusp, New Denver, Salmo, Silverton and Slocan

ELECTORAL AREAS: A-Wyndel/East Shore Kootenay Lake B C D E F G H-The Slocan Valley IJ-Lower Arrow/Columbia K-The Arrow Lakes

PURCHASE OF STRUCTURAL PROTECTION UNITS (SPUS)

The Board approved the purchase of six new pumps and three new bladders for the RDCK's three Type 2 Structural Protection Units (SPU), at a cost not to exceed \$60,000. This is a change to a previous Board direction for the purchase of SPUs made at the January 2019 meeting. These equipment upgrades will meet new requirements for SPUs expected to come from the Office of the Fire Commissioner.

OOTISCHENIA AND ROBSON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS: PURCHASE OF TWO USED FIRE TRUCKS

The Board approved the purchase a 2005 Pierce International pumper from the US for the Ootischenia Fire Department with costs not to exceed \$140,000 CAD plus taxes, and that the costs be paid from the Service S145 Ootischenia Fire Department Capital Reserves. The Board also approved the purchase of a 2008 Thibault Freightliner pumper tanker from the US for Robson Fire Department with costs not to exceed \$230,000 CAD plus taxes, with \$30,000 be paid from S138 Robson Fire Service Capital Reserve Fund and \$200,000 be paid through the Municipal Finance Authority – Equipment Financing Program for a five-year term and be included in the financial plan.

TEMPORARY SUMMER STAFFING

Staff were approved to hire 11 summer staff for terms of 16 to 26 weeks each to work in the Administration, Development Services, and Environmental Services departments. These positions include:

- 1 Records Management summer student
- 1 Sustainability summer student
- 1 Resource Recovery Educator
- 4 Waste Spotters
- 1 Water Smart Ambassador
- 2 Project Site inspectors (for Creston Skate Park project and Edgewood Water System project)
- 1 Utilities summer student

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

AREA A

Creston Valley Bird Festival Committee of Wildsight \$500

AREA C

Iron Maiden Ladies Golf Tournament \$600

AREA G

Nelson Police Department \$200
Salmo and District Healthcare Auxiliary Society \$1,500
Salmo Valley Public Library \$1,300

AREA H

RDCK Development Services Department (Civic Addresses) \$1,000
Slocan Solutions Society \$1,000
Zone 6 Kootenay Boundary 55 Games \$600

AREA J

Zone 6 Kootenay Boundary 55 Games \$1,000

Web: www.rdck.ca

Email: info@rdck.bc.ca

Phone: (250) 352-6665

MUNICIPALITIES: **Cities:** Castlegar, Nelson **Town:** Creston **Villages:** Kaslo, Nakusp, New Denver, Salmo, Silvertown and Slocan

ELECTORAL AREAS: A-Wyndel/East Shore Kootenay Lake B C D E F G H-The Slocan Valley IJ-Lower Arrow/Columbia K-The Arrow Lakes

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

AREA D

Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society \$4,000

AREA F

Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation \$1,900

AREA H

Central Kootenay Food Policy Council \$1,500
Kootenay Organic Growers Society \$637.90
Perry Ridge Water Users Association \$1,325
Slocan Lake Stewardship Society \$800
Slocan Valley Community Legacy Society \$1,500
Valley View Golf Club \$7,300

AREA J

Castlegar and District Chamber of Commerce \$250
Castlegar Festivals Society (Sunfest) \$1,500
Castlegar Peony Show Committee \$2,500
Columbia Wireless Inc. \$12,866
West Kootenay Regional Science Fair \$250

AREA K

Arrow Slocan Community Services/Firewood Project \$2,000
Burton Elementary School Parent Advisory Committee \$2,000
Edgewood Community Club \$5,000
Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department (air brake cert) \$3,500
Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department (concert series) \$2,000
Nakusp & Area Community Forest \$5,000
Nakusp & Area Youth Network \$6,195
Nakusp Chamber of Commerce \$2,000
Summit Lake Racers \$500

NEW DENVER

Okanagan Nation Alliance \$625

SALMO

Okanagan Nation Alliance \$500

Web: www.rdck.ca

Email: info@rdck.bc.ca

Phone: (250) 352-6665

MUNICIPALITIES: **Cities:** Castlegar, Nelson **Town:** Creston **Villages:** Kaslo, Nakusp, New Denver, Salmo, Silvertown and Slocan

ELECTORAL AREAS: A-Wynndel/East Shore Kootenay Lake B C D E F G H-The Slocan Valley IJ-Lower Arrow/Columbia K-The Arrow Lakes