



## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

# CASTLEGAR & DISTRICT RECREATION COMMISSION OPEN MEETING MINUTES

4:00 p.m.

January 6, 2026

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).

### COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Member A. Davidoff	Director Area I
Commissioner Member M. McFaddin	City of Castlegar
Commissioner Member B. Bogle	City of Castlegar
Commissioner Member S. Heaton-Sherstobitoff	City of Castlegar
Commissioner Member H. Hanegraaf	Director Area J

### STAFF

Joe Chirico	General Manager of Community Services
Craig Stanley	Regional Manager – Operations & Asset Manager
Trisha Davison	Regional Manager – Recreation & Client Services Manager
Cary Gaynor	Regional Parks and Trails Manager
Stuart Horn	RDCK CAO
Jenna Chapman	Meeting Coordinator

### GUESTS

Chris Barlow	City of Castlegar CAO
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**5 out of 5 voting Commission members were present – quorum was met.**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Joe Chirico, General Manager of Community Services called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

#### 2. ELECTION OF CHAIR

##### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS (3 Times)

Member Hanegraaf nominated Member Bogle  
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**DECLARATION OF ELECTED OR ACCLAIMED CHAIR**

General Manager of Community Services, Joe Chirico ratifies the appointed Member Bogle as Chair of the Castlegar & District Recreation Commission for 2026.

**Carried**

**1. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

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

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOVED** and seconded,  
**AND Resolved:**

The Agenda for the January 6, 2026, Castlegar & District Recreation Commission meeting, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**3. RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

The December 2, 2025, Castlegar and District Recreation Commission minutes, have been received.

**4. DELEGATE**

Patrick Audet, from Kootenay Rockies Disc Golf Society will provide a discussion to the Commission re: developing a plan for Disc Golf at Pass Creek Park including the following notable discussion items:

- Proposal to construct an 18-hole disc golf course at Pass Creek Park.
- Layout: 9 holes on the east side (campground) and 9 holes on the west side (fairgrounds) of Norns Creek.
- Park features:
  - East side: campground, ball diamond, soccer/field hockey field, deactivated swimming pond.
  - West side: horse paddock, covered stage, exhibition buildings, parking areas.
- Connectivity goal: Develop stairs or walkway to link east and west sides via Broadwater Road bridge.
- Estimated total: \$42,000.
- Target completion: June 2026.
- Request: Commission to consider to provide thema Letter of Support at the February 3, 2026 meeting and Staff to discuss how we can put this into their workplan.

**5. STAFF REPORTS**

**5.1 S222 and S227 2026 DRAFT Budget**

The Commission Report dated January 6, 2026 from RDCK Staff, re: S222 and S227 2026 DRAFT Budget, has been received with the following key discussion items:

Timeline for Financial Plan Documents

- The five-year financial plans for Services S222 and S227 will be presented at the February meeting.

**Current Budget Status**

- The budget presented today is preliminary and not final.

**Borrowing Proceeds**

- Borrowing proceeds for 2025–2026 are significantly lower due to reallocation of capital funding.
- Revised project priorities have reduced the need for borrowing.

**Transfers and Allocations**

- Transfers from reserves are included.
- The Board has directed that transfer processes be made more transparent.
- Transfer to Community Services has been adjusted.
- All training programs have been consolidated regionally for efficiency.

**Service S227 Highlights**

- Requisition has decreased, and user fees are projected to decline due to extended closure of the pool.
- Operational increases are most significant in S227, primarily due to union wage impacts.
- Despite this, overall taxation for S227 decreases by 8.3%.
- Higher repairs and maintenance costs require further explanation at a future meeting.

**Capital Expenditures**

- For 2026, note the addition of capital expenditures and transfer to project management.

**Operational Planning**

- During facility shutdown, lifeguards will be reassigned to other duties rather than layoffs.
- Explore opportunities to utilize lifeguards in other community-benefit roles.
- There will be changes at Board direction to fund asset management.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**6.1 2026 Proposed Meeting Dates**

Commission and Staff discussed 2026 meeting dates with staff with the conclusion that a poll will be sent out for the meeting dates which have conflicts.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

**7.1 Castlegar and District Minor Hockey Association**

Letter dated December 2025 from the Castlegar and District Minor Hockey Association has been received.

**8. PUBLIC TIME**

The Chair will call for questions from the public at 5:31 p.m.

**9. NEXT MEETING**

The next Castlegar & District Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled for February 3, 2026 at 4:00p.m.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED** and seconded,  
**AND Resolved:**

The next Castlegar & District Recreation Commission meeting be adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

**Carried**

Digitally Approved

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B. Bogle, Chair

**RECOMMENDATION(S) TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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1. N/A

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

***Future Castlegar & District Recreation Commission Meetings***

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1. N/A