



Regional District of Central Kootenay

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Open Meeting Minutes

The **fourth** meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in 2025 was held on Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. through a hybrid meeting model.

Quorum was maintained throughout the meeting.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

PRESENT

Chair A. Watson	Electoral Area D	In-Person
Director G. Jackman	Electoral Area A	In-Person
Director R. Tierney	Electoral Area B	In-Person
Director K. Vandenberghe	Electoral Area C	In-Person
Director C. Graham	Electoral Area E	
Director T. Newell	Electoral Area F	In-Person
Director H. Cunningham	Electoral Area G	
Director W. Popoff	Electoral Area H	
Director A. Davidoff	Electoral Area I	
Director H. Hanegraaf	Electoral Area J	In-Person
Director T. Weatherhead	Electoral Area K	
Director B. Bogle	City of Castlegar	In-Person
Director D. Dumas	Town of Creston	In-Person
Director S. Hewat	Village of Kaslo	In-Person
Director A. McLaren-Caux	Village of Nakusp	In-Person
Director K. Page	City of Nelson	In-Person
Director J. Fyke	Village of New Denver	
Director D. Lockwood	Village of Salmo	In-Person
Director T. Gordon	Village of Silverton	
Director J. Lunn	Village of Slocan	In-Person

ELECTED OFFICIALS

ABSENT

Director M. McFaddin	City of Castlegar
Director A. DeBoon	Town of Creston
Director L. Casley	Village of New Denver
Director L. Main	Village of Silverton

STAFF PRESENT

S. Horn	Chief Administrative Officer
M. Morrison	Corporate Officer/Manager of Corporate Administration
A. Lund	Deputy Corporate Officer
J. Chirico	General Manager of Community Services
U. Wolf	General Manager of Environmental Services
Y. Malloff	General Manager of Finance, Information Technology and Economic Development
S. Sudan	General Manager of Community Sustainability and Development Services
C. Saari-Heckley	Human Resources Manager
D. Séguin	Manager of Community Sustainability
T. Fehst	Regional Fire Chief

C. Stanley	Regional Manager – Operations and Assent Management
A. Divlakovski	Water Operations Manager
H. Smith	Finance Manager
N. Hannon	Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Senior Advisor
Paris Marshall Smith	Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor
M. Friesen	Financial Analyst
D. Zol	Financial Analyst
T. Dool	Research Analyst
Z. Giacomazzo	Planner
D. Elliott	Communications Coordinator

1. ZOOM 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. PDT

Join by Video:

<https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/95573345491?pwd=k4eCLxEF2ggHCiAbpTcQis1tMHnt5b.1>

Join by Phone:

855 703 8985 Canada Toll-free

*6 to unmute or mute

*9 to raise or lower your hand

Meeting ID: 955 7334 5491

Meeting Password: 142530

In-Person Location:

Nelson Office - Boardroom
202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC

2. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Vice Chair McLaren-Caux assumed the Chair.

On behalf of the Board, Vice Chair McLaren-Caux took a moment of silence for the families of Jason Remple, Jeff Keenan and Alex Pashley.

On behalf of the Board, Vice Chair McLaren-Caux took a moment of silence for the family of RDCK staff member Jon Jackson.

Chair Watson assumed the Chair.

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:

- inclusion of Item 4.1.4 West Transit Services Committee: minutes April 15, 2025;
- inclusion of Item 5.4 Bylaws 3002 & 3003: Land Use Amendments (Spearhead - Area F);
- inclusion of item 8.3 Director McLaren-Caux: Letter of Support - Basin Food Summit; and
- with the addition of the addendum

before circulation.

Carried

2.3 Adoption of the Minutes

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

212/25

The minutes from the March 20, 2025 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

2.4 Introduction

CAO Horn introduced Erik Stout, Creston Building Official, as the new Manager of Building and Bylaw Services, replacing Manda McIntyre.

ORDER OF AGENDA CHANGED The Order of Business was changed with Item 3.2 Director Davidoff: Community Works Funds - 3rd Party Organization considered at this time.

3.2 Director Davidoff: Community Works Funds - 3rd Party Organizations Board Meeting - March 20, 2025 RES 204/25 referred to the April 17, 2025 Board meeting

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

213/25

That the Board direct staff to investigate and report back on options for the Board to support third party Community Works applications through RDCK services.

Carried

ORDER OF AGENDA RESUMED Item 3.1 Bylaw 3023: 2025-2029 considered at this time.

3. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

3.1 Bylaw 3023: 2025-2029 Financial Plan Board Meeting - March 20, 2025 RES188/25 be referred to the April 17, 2025 Board meeting

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

214/25

That the Board direct staff to include in staff reports options for funding of Community Works grants in shared and sub-regional services where the capital project would qualify; AND FURTHER, that these are presented to the committees with due time for councils to consider the requests.

Carried

4. COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

4.1 With Recommendations

4.1.1 All Recreation Committee: minutes April 2, 2025

Staff received direction to draft a Community Services Sponsorship policy.

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

215/25

That the Board approves the calculations of Total Costs, as outlined in the table of the Fees and Charges Review - Indoor Facilities Cost/Hour/Use Report from Joe Chirico, General Manager of Community Services, of a Service, as per Policy 500-01-08 Community Services Fees and Charges to be used in the calculation of Fees and Charges for Admissions and Rentals:

Cost Centre	2025
Pool: Per Lap Lane	\$39.28
Pool: Full Lap Pool	\$222.60
Pool: Full Leisure Teach Pool	\$74.20
Pool: Half Leisure Teach Pool	\$37.10
Pool: Leisure Areas	\$74.20
Pool: Whole Space – No Public	\$371
Fitness	\$181.08
Arena Ice	Available Use \$290.27
Arena Dry Floor	Available Use \$131.60
Pool \$4,218,664 / 625,419 =	\$6.75
Fitness \$2,516,655 / 625,419 =	\$4.24
Arena \$3,741,670 / 625,419 =	\$5.98
Total Cost per Use	\$16.75

Carried

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

216/25

That the Board approves the following schedule of Fees and Charges for Admissions be implemented for September 2, 2025: As per the Fees and Charges Review - Indoor Facilities Cost/Hour/Use Report from Joe Chirico, General Manager of Community Services Attachment A - Community Services 2025 Fees and Charges.

Carried

4.1.2 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes April 3, 2025

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

217/25

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a License of Occupation with Creston Valley Minor Hockey Association for displaying sports memorabilia at the Creston and District Community Complex for the period of 5-year agreement (March 31, 2030) and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

4.1.3 Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee: minutes April 15, 2025

Staff received direction to move the June meeting to July and options on the continuation of the Community Sustainable Living Service.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

218/25

That the Board approve the Goat Watershed Engagement Strategy as outlined in the April 15, 2025 Engagement Strategy for the Water Sustainability Plan – Goat Watershed Committee Report prepared by Paris Marshall Smith, and that staff bring back a refined engagement strategy to the May 15, 2025 Board Meeting; AND FURTHER, that a report be submitted to the Board following the completion of the engagement.

Carried

4.1.4 West Transit Services Committee: minutes April 15, 2025

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

219/25

That the Board direct staff to prepare an amendment bylaw for Electoral Areas E & F and Slocan Valley Transit Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw 1415, 2000 to remove the Village of Slocan from the service; Update the method of apportionment to reflect Section 4.0 the proposed solution as per Transit Cost Apportionment Committee Report prepared by Tom Dool, Research Analyst; and limit the apportionment of costs to the land annexed by the City of Nelson and now referred to as Old E, Old F, and Old H.

Carried

Director Lunn recorded opposed.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

220/25

That the Board direct staff to prepare an amendment to bylaw Kootenay Lake West Transit Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1783, 2005 to update the method of apportionment to reflect Section 4.0 the proposed solution as per Transit Cost Apportionment Committee Report prepared by Tom Dool, Research Analyst; and to update apportionment percentages in the bylaw to reflect the Hybrid Methods apportionment of current transit costs.

Carried

Director Lunn recorded opposed.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

221/25

That the Board direct RDCK & BC Transit staff to negotiate a funding agreement with Health Connections to ensure a consistent level of Health Connections Service based on the 2019 hours funded benchmark.

Carried

4.2 Membership/Appointments

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

222/25

That the Board appoint the individuals to the following RDCK Commissions:

Recreation Commission No. 9 - Electoral Area A for a term to end December 31, 2026:

Vivienne Rabb
Gabriela Gundlach

Burton Water Services Community Advisory Committee for a term to end December 31, 2027:

Barry Urquhart
Gary Mentz

Recreation Commission No. 6 - Area H, New Denver and Silverton (Slocan Lake):

Councillor Clarence Denbok (Silverton - expires December 31, 2025)
Councillor Don Broughton (Silverton - Alternate) (expires December 31, 2025)
Katrina Sumrall (Silverton Resident - expires December 31, 2026)

Riondel Commission for a term to end December 31, 2026:

Sharman Horwood

AND FURTHER, that the Board send a letter to outgoing member Andrew Cop thanking him for his service with the Riondel Commission.

Carried

5. BYLAWS

5.1 Bylaw 2135: Community Sustainable Living Service Establishment - Withdrawal Areas E and J

The letter dated March 17, 2025 from Director Cheryl Graham, Electoral Area E, providing formal notice to withdraw from Community Sustainable Living Service S105, has been received.

The letter dated March 18, 2025 from Director Henny Hanegraaf, Electoral Area J, providing formal notice to withdraw from Community Sustainable Living Service S105, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

223/25

That the Board direct staff to prepare an amendment for Community Sustainable Living Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2135, 2010 to remove Electoral Areas E and J from the service, and the bylaw be brought to the April 2027 Board meeting to meet the 24 month notice for withdrawal.

Carried

**RECESSED/
RECONVENED**

The meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. for a break and reconvened at 10:29 a.m.

5.2 Bylaw 2968: RDCK Zoning Amendment (Development Permit Areas for Electoral Area I)

The Board Report from Stephanie Johnson, Planner, seeking the Board adopt RDCK Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2968, 2024 to incorporate Development Permit Areas for Electoral Area I, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

224/25

That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2968, 2024 being a Bylaw to amend Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER, that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

5.3 Bylaw 3005: Rural Mobility Community Advisory Committee

The Board Report from Alex Leffelaar, Climate Action Assistant, seeking Board adopt Rural Mobility Community Advisory Committee Bylaw 3005, 2025, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

225/25 That the Rural Mobility Community Advisory Committee Bylaw No. 3005, 2025 be read THIRD time by content.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

226/25 That the Rural Mobility Community Advisory Committee Bylaw No. 3005, 2025 be ADOPTED and the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

227/25 That Item 5.4 Bylaws 3002 & 3003: Land Use Amendments (Spearhead - Area F) be postponed to after Item 11 Closed Meeting.

Carried

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Development and Community Sustainability

6.1.1 Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP)

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, providing the Board an update on LGCAP, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
MOTION ONLY

That the Board direct staff to allocate Local Government Climate Action Program funding based on section 7.0 options summary - Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) distribution of funding in the LGCAP Board Report brought to the April 17, 2025 Board meeting, as amended to including the following specific proposals to be brought forward as financial plan amendments to the May 15, 2025 Board meeting.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION

228/25 That the foregoing recommendation, being:

That the Board direct staff to allocate Local Government Climate Action Program funding based on section 7.0 options summary - Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) distribution of funding in the LGCAP Board Report brought to the April 17, 2025 Board meeting, as amended to including the following specific proposals to be brought

forward as financial plan amendments to the May 15, 2025 Board meeting;

Be amended to remove "as amended to including the following specific proposals to be brought forward as financial plan amendments to the May 15, 2025 Board meeting", thus reading:

That the Board direct staff to allocate Local Government Climate Action Program funding based on section 7.0 options summary - Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) distribution of funding in the LGCAP Board Report brought to the April 17, 2025 Board meeting.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED MOTION

229/25

That the foregoing motion, being:

That the Board direct staff to allocate Local Government Climate Action Program funding based on section 7.0 options summary - Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) distribution of funding in the LGCAP Board Report brought to the April 17, 2025 Board meeting;

be amended to include "AND FURTHER, that the referenced 60% allocation be split evenly to support S104 Planning and Land Use and A101 Emergency Program Services to support mandated OCP and zoning work and requirements under the new Emergency Management and Disaster Mitigation Act.", thus reading:

That the Board direct staff to allocate Local Government Climate Action Program funding based on section 7.0 options summary - Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) distribution of funding in the LGCAP Board Report brought to the April 17, 2025 Board meeting; AND FURTHER, that the referenced 60% allocation be split evenly to support S104 Planning and Land Use and A101 Emergency Program Services to support mandated Official Community Plan and zoning work and requirements under the new Emergency Management and Disaster Mitigation Act.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

MAIN MOTION

230/25

That the Board direct staff to allocate Local Government Climate Action Program funding based on section 7.0 options summary - Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) distribution of funding in the LGCAP Board Report brought to the April 17, 2025 Board meeting; AND FURTHER, that the referenced 60% allocation be split evenly to support S104 Planning and Land Use and A101 Emergency Program Services to support mandated Official Community Plan and zoning work and requirements under the new Emergency Management and Disaster Mitigation Act.

Carried

6.1.2 2025 Community Ambassador Program Proposal

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval to enter into an agreement for the Community Ambassador 2025, has been received.

ORDER OF AGENDA CHANGED That the Order of Business change to address public time with Item 10 Public Time considered at this time.

10. PUBLIC TIME

Vice Chair McLaren-Caux assumed the Chair and called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:45 a.m.

The members of the public asked questions and provided comments regarding the following:

- Lister water services taxation increase and requesting a public meeting;

Chair Watson assumed the Chair.

RECESS/ RECONVENED The meeting recessed at 11:53 a.m. for lunch and reconvened at 1:01 p.m.

ABSENT DIRECTOR Director Cunningham left the meeting at 1:01 p.m.

ORDER OF AGENDA RESUMED Item 6.1.2 2025 Community Ambassador Program Proposal continued at this time.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

231/25

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Contribution Agreement with Wildsight for delivery of Community Ambassadors 2025 to a maximum value of \$14,600 plus GST for the period from April 20 to November 30, 2025, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents; AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for General Administration Service S100 to INCREASE Transfer from Reserves (LGCAP Fund) by \$14,600 and INCREASE Transfer to Other Service by \$14,600;

AND FURTHER, That the Board approve an amendment to the 2025-2029 Financial Plan Financial Plan for Development Services Service A108 to INCREASE Transfer from Other Service by \$14,600 and INCREASE Contracted Services by \$14,600.

Carried

6.2 Environmental Services

6.2.1 Award: Burton Water Main Replacement Project

The Board Report from Carolyn Hogan, Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the Burton Water Main Replacement Project, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

232/25

That the Board award the contract for the Burton Water Main Replacement project to Creston Electric; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$424,703.96 + GST, AND FURTHER, that the costs for the project be paid from reserves associated with Water Utility – Burton Service S252.

6.2.2 Site Tours: Ootischenia Landfill and West Transfer Stations

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

233/25

That the Board approve the West Resource Recovery Committee Director's expenses for a tour of the Ootischenia Landfill; and that, it be paid from S188 Refuse Disposal - West Subregion.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

234/25

That the Board approve the West Resource Recovery Committee Director's stipend and expenses for a tour of the West Transfer Stations; and that, it be paid from S188 Refuse Disposal - West Subregion.

Carried

Director Fyke recorded opposed.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

235/25

That the Board approve the East Resource Recovery Committee Director's stipend and expenses for a tour of the Ootischenia Landfill; and that, it be paid from S186 Refuse Disposal - East Subregion.

Carried

Director Fyke recorded opposed.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

236/25

That the Board approve the Central Resource Recovery Committee Director's stipend and expenses for a tour of the Ootischenia Landfill; and that, it be paid from S187 Refuse Disposal - Central Subregion.

Carried

Director Fyke recorded opposed.

6.3 Administration & Finance

6.3.1 Petition: Portions of Electoral Areas B and C Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment

The Board Report from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, seeking Board approval to prepare an amendment by for Portions of Electoral Areas B and C Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment to include properties that petitioned for service, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

237/25

That the Board direct the Corporate Officer to certify the sufficiency and validity of the petition for Creston Contract Fire Protection Area.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

238/25

That the Board direct staff to prepare an amendment bylaw for Portions of Electoral Areas B and C Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1127, 1995 to include those properties that petitioned for service.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

239/25

That Item 6.3.2 2024 Audited Financial Statements be postponed to after Item 11 Closed Meeting.

Carried

6.4 Human Resources

6.4.1 For Information: RDCK Occupational Health and Safety Annual Report

The Board Report from Dave Barnhart, Safety Advisor, providing the Board an update on the 2024 Health and Safety activities and the focus areas for 2025, has been received.

6.5 Grants

6.5.1 Discretionary

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

240/25

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

AREA B

Creston Valley in the Raw Arts Society	Creston Clay Fest 2025	\$500
LKB Pow Wow Committee	2025 Yaqaan Nukiy Lower Kootenay Band 32nd Annual Traditional Pow Wow	\$1,000
Rick Clark Memorial Society	Post Secondary Bursary Program	\$500

AREA F

Brent Kennedy Elementary School PAC	Brent Kennedy Playground Replacement	\$2,500
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AREA G

Salmo District Golf Club	Clubhouse Upgrades	\$5,000
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AREA H

Brent Kennedy Elementary School PAC	Brent Kennedy Playground Replacement	\$5,000
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AREA I

Brent Kennedy Elementary School PAC	Brent Kennedy Playground Replacement	\$2,500
Glade Community Hall	Lapsha Fundraiser	\$250

Glade Recreation Commission	Glade Easter	\$500
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AREA J

Castlegar Minor Hockey Association	Castlegar/Nelson U18 BC Hockey Championships	\$2,000
U15 Rebels	WK Rebels U15 Girls Fastball Tournaments	\$2,000

Carried**6.5.2 Community Development**

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

241/25

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

AREA D

Kaslo Logger Sports	Kaslo Logger Sports 2025	\$600
Lower Kootenay Band Pow Wow	32nd Annual Yaqan Nukiy Pow Wow	\$500
Committee Kaslo Community Acupuncture Clinic Society	Trauma Response Clinic	\$1,165.50

AREA E

Blewett Safety and Preparedness Society	Wildfire Preparedness	\$4,490
Nelson Public Library	Literary Services to Area E Residents	\$20,000

AREA G

Salmo District Golf Club	Clubhouse Upgrades	\$5,000
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AREA I

Community Harvest Food Bank	Food Bank Services	\$500
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AREA J

BC Old Time Fiddlers, Kootenay #9	Kootenay Fiddle, Guitar, Piano Camp	\$600
Canada Jamaica Link Up Festival	Canada Jamaica Link up Festival	\$2,500

AREA K

Burton Elementary School	BES Year-End Field Trip	\$500
Edgewood Seniors Society	Health Initiative	\$1,000
Fauquier Volunteer Fire Brigade	Fire Department Spring Training	\$800
Lower Arrow Lake Conservation Association	Whatshan Lake Kid's Fishing Derby	\$500

SLOCAN

Treehugger Retreats and Events Society	Harmony 2025	\$1,200
Village of Slocan	Annual Easter Egg Hunt	\$150

Village of Slocan Okanagan Nation Alliance \$1,000
"Fish in Schools"

Carried

6.5.3 Nakusp and Area K Recreation Commission No. 4

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

242/25

That the Board approve the payment of the following grants from the Recreation Commission No. 4 – Nakusp and Area K Service No. S228 2025 budget:

Nakusp Public Library \$4,950

Carried

6.6 Chair/CAO Reports

Chair Watson sent the draft presentation to the Directors from the engagement sessions for the Emergency Disaster Mitigation Act. The CAO and Chair will be attending the Chair and CAO Forum next week and will be bringing forward the Board's advocacy items.

CAO Horn announced that RDCK staff member Nora Hannon received the Lynn Orstad Award.

7. RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

243/25

That the Board SUPPORT application A2504D for the proposed Subdivision in the Agricultural Land Reserve proposed by William and Richard Trueman for the property located at 1121/1125 Press Road, Electoral Area 'D' and legally described as LOT 26 DISTRICT LOT 8390 KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 920 (PID: 012-226-742).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

244/25

That the Board SUPPORT application A2503K for the purposes of a Non-Farm Use in the ALR proposed by Christopher Pittman on behalf of Columbia Basin Broadband Corporation for site located between Worthington Creek FSR and Dority Road in Edgewood, Electoral Area K as identified on Attachment C; And that the Board directs Staff to ADVANCE the subject application to the Agricultural Land Commission for consideration.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

245/25

That the Board consider using Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) funding to support mandated land use planning.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

246/25

That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Woodbury Fire Hydrant and Generator Installation in the amount of \$85,400.00 be approved and that funds be

disbursed from Community Works Funds allocated to Electoral Area D to Service S259 – Water Utility - Woodbury.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

247/25 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Balfour Fire Hall Stand-By Generator in the amount of \$15,000.00 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds allocated to Electoral Area E to Service S141 Balfour/Harrop Fire Protection.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

248/25 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Duhamel Water System – Well Pump Replacement in the amount of \$50,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds allocated to Electoral Area F, and further that the Board of Directors approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for Water Utility –Area F (Duhamel) Service S248 to INCREASE the following line items:

- Community Works Grants by \$50,000,
- Transfer from Reserves by \$40,000,
- Transfer to Other Services by \$5,000,
- Capital expenses by \$85,000.

Carried

8. DIRECTORS' MOTIONS

8.1 Director Graham: Core Services

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

249/25 That the Board direct staff to prepare a 2026 budget that generally maintains current levels of core services but explores opportunities for cost efficiencies and reductions in taxation, and requires a business case for service enhancements or major capital investments.

Defeated

8.2 Director Popoff: Winlaw Hall

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

250/25 That resolution 806/22, being:

That the Board approve funds in the amount of a maximum of \$10,000 from S106 Feasibility Service Reserve for a feasibility study examining options for either a defined area contribution service or to establish a service for the acquisition and operations of the Winlaw Community Hall;

BE RESCINDED.

Carried

8.3 Director McLaren-Caux: Letter of Support - Basin Food Summit

The letter dated April 16, 2025 from Shauna Fidler, Basin Food Summit (BFS), seeking a letter of support for the BFS's funding application to Destination BC, has been received. Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

251/25

That the Board send a letter of support for the 2025 Basin Food Summit's funding application to Destination BC prior to May 5, 2025.

Carried

9. CONSENT AGENDA

9.1 For Information: Committees & Commissions

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

9.1.1 Area I Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes December 10, 2024

Staff received direction regarding the Official Community Plan review project.

9.1.2 Arrow Creek Water Treatment and Supply Commission: minutes February 10, 2025

9.1.3 Nelson and District Recreation Commission No. 5: minutes February 11, 2025

Staff received direction regarding the following:

- comparison if all of Electoral Area E participated in Nelson, Areas F and Defined E Service S226;
- how participants could withdraw from a service within the RDCK; and
- Commission supports the 2025-2029 Nelson, Areas F and Defined E Service S226 draft budget.

9.1.4 Slocan Valley Services Committee: minutes February 27, 2025

Staff received directions regarding the following:

- invitation to New Denver staff to attend the next SVSC meeting;
- draft budget amendment to Regional Parks - New Denver, Silverton, Slocan and Area H Service S203;
- invitation to Ski Hill Society to attend the next SVSC meeting; and
- determine May meeting date.

9.1.5 Riondel Commission: minutes March 4, 2025

Staff received direction to send a letter of thanks to Donna Lavigne.

9.1.6 Castlegar and District Recreation Commission: minutes March 4, 2025

Staff received direction for the following:

- use of the Castlegar arena for the 2026 BC Winter Games Society; and
- approve the release of the Castlegar and District Reimaging Recreation report.

NOTE: Staff is bringing the recommendation to prepare service establishment bylaw and draft loan authorization bylaw back to the commission to discuss.

9.1.7 Rosebery Parkland and Trails Commission: minutes March 6, 2025

9.1.8 Area A Economic Development Commission: minutes March 11, 2025

9.1.9 Sunshine Bay Regional Park Commission: minutes March 13, 2025

9.1.10 Ymir Water Commission of Management: minutes March 17, 2025

Staff received direction that the commission supported the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for Water Utility - Area G (Ymir) Service S244.

9.1.11 Area D Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes March 18, 2025

Staff received direction regarding a Agricultural Land Reserve Referral.

9.1.12 Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Committee: minutes March 24, 2025

Staff received directions regarding the following:

- Agricultural Land Reserve Referrals; and
- Development Variance Permit Application.

9.1.13 Area E Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes March 27, 2025

Staff received directions regarding a Watercourse Development Permit Application.

9.1.14 Riondel Commission: minutes April 1, 2025

Staff received direction for an estimate to replace an orchard tree.

9.1.15 Water Services Committee: minutes April 2, 2025

9.2 For Information: Communication

9.2.1 The letter dated March 12, 2025 from Dawn Lang, School District No. 8, requesting the Minister of Transportation and Transit designate Kootenay Lake Ferry as an essential service.

9.2.2 The letter dated March 17, 2025 from Margo A. Wagner, Cariboo Regional District, supporting RDKB's concerns about the Cooperative Community Wildfire Response Program.

9.2.3 The letter dated March 18, 2025 from Natalya Melnychuk, Columbia Shuswap Regional District, writing to UBCM to express concerns regarding the Community Works Funding eligibility.

9.2.4 The letter dated March 18, 2025 from Natalya Melnychuk, Columbia Shuswap Regional District, writing the ministries regarding the challenges and concerns for short term rentals.

9.2.5 The letter dated March 20, 2025 from Lisa Pineault, Village of Daajing Giids, informing local government of the cannabis taxation sharing and municipal owned cannabis retail stores.

9.3 For Information: Accounts Payable

The Accounts Payable Summary for March 2025 in the amount of \$2,938,953 has been received for information.

9.4 For Information: Directors' Reports

Directors' verbal reports will be referred to the May Board meeting.

9.4.1 Director Jackman: CBRAC/RCC/IJC

9.4.2 Director Graham

9.4.2.1 Director's Report: Ferry Strike/Childcare/Newsletter

9.4.2.2 Director's Report: LGLA

9.4.2.3 Letter of Support: Nelson Kootenay Lake Tourism

9.4.3 Director Weatherhead: EA/ReDi

9.4.4 Director DeBoon: LGLA

9.4.5 Director Hewat: FCM/LGLA/CBT/Activities

9.4.6 Director McLaren-Caux: AKBLG/LGLA/Activities

**RECESS/
RECONVENED** The meeting recessed at 1:59 p.m. for a break and reconvened at 2:10 p.m.

11. CLOSED

11.1 Meeting Closed to the Public

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

252/25

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:

- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;
- (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

11.2 Recess of Open Meeting

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

253/25

The Open meeting be recessed at 1:10 p.m. in order to conduct the Closed Board meeting and reconvened at 3:58 p.m.

Carried

12. MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED MEETING

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

254/25
IC26/25

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Purchasing Agreement with Federal Government, Minister of Indigenous Services, for the purchase of 22 acres reserve land (Lot 68) to the West of the Creston landfill from the Lower Kootenay Band to a maximum value of \$515,000 plus GST, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

255/25
IC28/25 That the Board approve the RDCK entering into a lease agreement with School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake) for the lease of Tennis Courts and Pool located at 303 7th Street, Salmo, British Columbia for the period of one year expiring October 31, 2025, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

Director Graham declared a conflict of interested due to having a direct personal financial benefit from the sale of the property to Spearhead and left the meeting at 3:59 p.m.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

256/25 That the Board consider Item 5.4 Bylaws 3002 & 3003: Land Use Amendments (Spearhead - Area F) at this time.

Carried

5.4 Bylaws 3002 & 3003: Land Use Amendments (Spearhead - Area F)

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

257/25 That, having considered appropriate consultation, both early and ongoing, with various persons, organizations and authorities considered to be potentially affected, and having engaged in public consultation since October 24, 2024, including with the School Board of School District No. 8, and having considered the Regional District of Central Kootenay Housing Needs Report, Financial Plan and Resource Recovery Plan, all in consideration of and compliance with the Local Government Act, Regional District of Central Kootenay Electoral Area 'F' Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 3002 being a bylaw to amend Electoral Area 'F' Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2214, 2012 and Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3003 being a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 BE REFERRED to a Public Hearing.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

258/25 That in accordance with Regional District of Central Kootenay Planning Procedures and Fees Bylaw No. 2457, 2015, Electoral Area 'A' Director Jackman is hereby delegated the authority to chair the Public Hearing on behalf of the Regional District Board.

Carried

Director Graham joined the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

259/25 That the Board consider Item 6.3.2 2024 Audited Financial Statement at this time.

Carried

6.3.2 2024 Audited Financial Statements

The 2024 Audited Financial Statements Report from BDO Canada LLP for the year ended December 31, 2024, has been received.

Mario Piroddi, BDO Canada LLP - BC Interior presented to the Board regarding the 2024 Audited Financial Statements and thanked RDCK staff for all their hard work.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

260/25

That the Board approve the unqualified 2024 Audited Financial Statements as audited by BDO Canada LLP.

Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

261/25

That the meeting adjourn at 4:17 p.m.

Carried

Originally signed

Aimee Watson, RDCK Board Chair

Originally signed

Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer