



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

BURTON WATER SERVICE

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DISCUSSION NOTES

Time: 3:00 PM PST
Date: Monday, June 2, 2025
Location: Hybrid - Burton Community Hall & Zoom

Join by Video:

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Join by Phone:

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Meeting ID: 923 6322 2534

Passcode: 453482

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Committee Member B. Ross
Committee Member K. Bilodeau
Committee Member B. Urquhart
Committee Member G. Mentz
Director Teresa Weatherhead, Area K, Ex-officio

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF

Uli Wolf General Manager of Environmental Services
Chris Gainham Utility Services Manager

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. STAFF REPORTS

2.1 Burton Public Meeting Presentation – System History, Rates, 2025-2026 Capital Plan, Asset Management Planning & Rate Drivers

CAC members and the area Director inquired about the status of a meeting with representatives of BCHydro to discuss challenges associated with asset replacement driven rate drivers and affordability for system users. On July 21st, RDCK water staff hosted an in-person meeting with BCHydro staff, presented a summary of rate/parcel tax increases and asbestos concrete pipe and other asset management and related challenges in Burton and the other former BCHydro water systems. Discussions are ongoing and a second meeting is planned for September.

CAC members inquired about the current watermain replacement capital project in Burton and staff provided a brief summary of the competitive tender process for contracting works, the challenges associated with the short-lived in-house capital crew, and the competitive pricing and greater number of bidders that staff are seeing for these projects.

CAC members and the area Director inquired about the long term water quality advisory in Burton as well as subdivision and growth potential. Staff clarified that provincial subdivision approval is not typically granted for systems under long term advisories and chlorination of the system would likely be required. Staff also communicated some options for dechlorinating water prior to consumption including point of use systems.

2.2 Operations and Maintenance Update

Staff will provide a verbal update on Operations and Maintenance.

3. 2025-2029 BOARD ADOPTED FINANCIAL PLAN REVIEW

A copy of the Board Adopted 2025-2029 Financial Plan for Service S252 Water Utility – Area K (Burton) is provided.

4. 2025-2029 DETAILED BUDGET FOR BURTON WATER SERVICE

A copy of the detailed 2025-2029 Budget for Service S252 Water Utility – Area K (Burton) is provided.

5. NEXT ASSEMBLY

The next assembly of Burton Water Service Community Advisory Committee is scheduled in accordance with Section of 9 (1) of the RDCK Drainage, Water and Wastewater System Community Advisory Committee Bylaw No. 2858.