



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

BALFOUR WATER SERVICE

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DISCUSSION NOTES

Time: 1:00 pm PST
Date: December 4, 2025
Location: Hybrid Model – Zoom & RDCK Boardroom

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committee Member B. Kinnear
Committee Member B. Gray
Committee Member R. Van Housen
Committee Member D. Lailey
Committee Member K. Hanley
Director C. Graham, Ex-officio

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF

Uli Wolf	GM of Environmental Services
Chris Gainham	Utility Services Manager
Alex Divlakovski	Water Operations Manager

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. STAFF REPORTS

2.1 Capital Works

- 280m of 2" iron pipe replaced with 6" C900 PVC along west end of Upper Balfour Road.
- One new service and 6 replaced service lines and curb-stops as part of the Upper Balfour Road water main replacement project.

Future Capital

- Anticipated secondary water source WTP construction and commissioning in 2026.
- West end of highway 3A distribution system replacement and service line replacement.

2.2 Operations and Maintenance Update

- Repaired roof of WTP from fallen tree.
- Replaced generator fan and power supply for one UV unit.
- Annual flushing and valve exercising completed.
- Four new services installed and connected.
- Main header in WTP repaired.
- One distribution system leak identified and repaired on Beach Street.
- EHO and Medical Health Officer support Balfour operating without accredited filtration based on 10 years of data demonstrating good water quality.

CAC members mentioned the high home insurance costs that some in the system have to endure and questioned why there is no Fire Underwriters Survey FUS certification for the upper pressure zone. GM Wolf commented that it depends on the FUS decision to certify based on system information and that for the upper pressure zone there are a number of constraints including booster pumping to provide required system pressure and volume, pumping redundancy, power supply and distribution system requirement to deliver required water volumes over a given time. Main size, pressure rating and hydrant spacing are also considered. Upgrading the upper pressure zone to achieve FUS certification would come at significant cost and need to be considered in terms of overall priority of requires system infrastructure asset replacement needs – the system still contains significant lengths of asbestos concrete watermain as well as other pipe types that are at or near end of life.

CAC members inquired about the status of the water line replacement project on Upper Balfour Road (PN19) and staff confirmed that this work was completed and commissioned

3. 2026-2030 DRAFT BALFOUR WATER SERVICE BUDGET

A copy of the 2026-2030 Draft Financial Plan for Service S255 Water Utility – Area E (Balfour) is provided for review.

4. NEXT ASSEMBLY

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