

Regional District of Central Kootenay REGULAR BOARD MEETING Open Meeting Minutes

The **eighth** meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in 2025 was held on Thursday, August 21, 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	In-Person
Director T. Newell	Electoral Area F	In-Person
Director H. Cunningham	Electoral Area G	In-Person
Director W. Popoff	Electoral Area H	In-Person
Director A. Davidoff	Electoral Area I	
Director H. Hanegraaf	Electoral Area J	In-Person
Director T. Weatherhead	Electoral Area K	In-Person
Director M. McFaddin	City of Castlegar	In-Person
Director A. DeBoon	Town of Creston	In-Person
Director S. Hewat	Village of Kaslo	In-Person
Director K. Page	City of Nelson	In-Person
Director A. McLaren-Caux	Village of Nakusp	In-Person
Director J. Fyke	Village of New Denver	
Director D. Lockwood	Village of Salmo	In-Person
Director L. Main	Village of Silverton	In-Person
Director J. Lunn	Village of Slokan	In-Person

ELECTED OFFICIALS

ABSENT

Director L. Casley	Village of New Denver
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STAFF PRESENT

S. Horn	Chief Administrative Officer
M. Morrison	Corporate Officer/Manager of Corporate Administration
A. Lund	Deputy Corporate Officer
U. Wolf	General Manager of Environmental Services
J. Chirico	General Manager of Community 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
N. Wight	Planning Manager
D. Lau	Information Technology Manager
C. Stanley	Regional Manager – Operations and Assent Management

G. Hume	Deputy Regional Fire Chief
P. Marshall Smith	Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor
S. Chezenko	Planner
S. Worden	Records and Information Management Coordinator
N. Schilman	Environmental Technologist
H. Bench	Environment Services - Project Advisor
J. Bradley	Project Manager
I. Briscoe	Emergency Program Coordinator
T. Dool	Research Analyst

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 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

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

On behalf of the Board, Director Newell recognized and had a moment of silence for the family of Fred Schneider, former Fire Chief of the North Shore Fire Hall.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

406/25

The agenda for the August 21, 2025 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated with the addition of the addendum.

Carried

2.3 Adoption of the Minutes

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

407/25 The minutes from the July 17, 2025 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

2.4 Introductions

CAO Horn introduced Chance Sheffield, Emergency Program Coordinator, replacing Jon Jackson.

**DIRECTOR
PRESENT**

Director Cunningham joined the meeting at 9:06 a.m.

2.5 Delegation

2.5.1 Forestry Works for BC Society

Ken Kalesnikoff

Steve Kozuki

Steve Kozuki gave a presentation to the Board regarding the new non-profit society Forestry Works for BC (FWFBC).

Mr. Kozuki noted citizens and leaders in BC should be proud of forestry and that BC's forests are well-managed and generate immense social, economic and environmental benefits to everyone. He discussed the goals of FWFBC and engaging with communities to provide knowledge of forestry in BC.

Mr. Kozuki provided a background on who the FWFBC is, they are forest-based organizations and companies, representing thousands of workers and citizens engaged in all aspects of BC's forestry sector and are concerned with the future of forestry in BC.

He provided stats on the economic benefits of forestry, discussed the replanting and management of forests to generate resiliency to wildfires and keep our communities safe. He gave examples of regenerating forests and how it sequesters CO2. He indicated momentum is building and communities around BC are voicing their concerns over the crisis in the forest sector and requested the RDCK advocate to support forestry.

In conclusion, Ken Kalesnikoff and Steve Kozuki answered the Board's questions.

Chair Watson thanked Steve and Ken for their presentation.

3. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

**3.1 Director Main: FCM Committee Appointment
Board Meeting - July 17, 2025
RES 401/25 Refer to August 21, 2025 meeting**

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

408/25

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of member municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS FCM's Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the united voice required to carry the municipal message to the federal government;

BE IT RESOLVED that Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay endorse Leah Main to apply for selection to serve on FCM Standing Committees and Forums for the period starting in September 2025 and ending June 2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Board assumes all costs associated with Leah Main attending FCM's Standing Committee and Board of Directors meetings with costs to be paid from General Administration Service \$100.

Carried

4. COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

4.1 With Recommendations

4.1.1 Riondel Commission: minutes July 8, 2025

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

409/25

That the Board approve the updated RDCK Rental Rates for the Riondel Recreation Facilities Specified Service Area (S209) to be effective January 1, 2025.

Carried

4.1.2 Nelson and District Recreation Commission No. 5: minutes July 30, 2025

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

410/25

That the Board approve the RDCK extending the Operating Agreement with the City of Nelson for the operation of the Nelson Civic Arena for a period of two (2) years, until May 31, 2026, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

4.1.3 Castlegar and District Recreation Commission: minutes August 5, 2025

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

411/25

That the Board approve the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) entering into an Event Site License Agreement with the Pass Creek Exhibition Society for the Pass Creek Fall Fair for the ten (10) days – September 14, 2025 – September 23, 2025; AND FURTHER, that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

4.1.4 Joint Resource Recovery Committee: minutes August 20, 2025

NOTE: Item 3.1 (Recommendation No. 8) has been referred to the August 21, 2025 Board meeting.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

412/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Creston Lions Club for a refundable collection service at the Creston Car Wash and Creston Landfill Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

413/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Salmo Community Memorial Church Association for a refundable collection service at the Salmo and Ymir Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

414/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Balfour Seniors Branch #120 for a refundable collection service at the Balfour Recycling Depot, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

415/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Kootenay Contribution for a refundable collection service at the Kaslo Recycling Depot, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

416/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Burton Volunteer Fire Brigade Society for a refundable collection service at the Burton and Edgewood Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

417/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Kootenay Carshare Cooperative for a refundable collection service at the Lakeside and the Grohman Narrows Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

418/25 That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Horse Association Central Kootenay for a refundable collection service at the Crescent Valley and Ootischenia Landfill Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

419/25 That the Board direct staff to reach out to current service providers for the collection of Refundables at the Nakusp, Boswell, and Crawford Bay Resource Recovery Facilities and explore their interest to continue to provide these services under the conditions laid out in the previous Requests for Expressions of Interest and if they are, to direct award Service Agreements for a refundable collection service at these three locations, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement and further that staff prepare and release a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the refundable collection services at all remaining Resource Recovery Facilities without these agreements.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

420/25 That the Board direct staff to implement the regulatory framework as presented for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional organic waste disposal at the Ootischenia Landfill, Creston Landfill, Grohman Narrows Transfer Station, and Central (Salmo) Transfer Station and return with the new definitions and fee structures for the next general update to the RDCK Resource Recovery Facilities Regulatory Bylaw No 2961, 2025.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

421/25 That the Board direct RDCK operated offices and facilities within the municipalities of Nelson, Castlegar, Salmo, and Creston that generate organic waste to begin preparing to participate in source-separated organics recycling in 2026 coinciding with the proposed implementation timeline for the Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Organic Waste Disposal Regulation, including budgeting, procurement, and when needed, updating waste hauling services contracts to include commercial source-separated organic waste collection.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

422/25 That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Services Agreement with GFL Environmental Inc. for waste transfer services from Slocan, Rosebery, and Nakusp transfer stations not to exceed annual value of \$393,875 plus GST, with annual adjustments as prescribed in the Services Agreement, for the period of October 1, 2025 till September 30, 2028, with up to two (2) one-year extensions, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents;

AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Refuse Disposal – West Subregion Service S188.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

423/25

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 year of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for General Administration Service S100 to INCREASE Account Transfer from Reserves by \$7,000 and INCREASE Account Transfer to Other Service by \$7,000;

AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 year of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for Development Services Service A108 to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$7,000 and INCREASE Account Transfer to Other Service by \$7,000;

AND FURTHER that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 year of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for Environmental Services Service A102 to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$7,000, INCREASE Account Grants by \$28,000 and INCREASE Account Consulting fees by \$35,000.

Carried

4.2 Membership/Appointments

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

424/25

That the Board appoint the individual to the following RDCK Commission:

Area G Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission - term to end December 31, 2026

Anna Bundschuh

And further, the Board send a letter to outgoing member Dave Lang thanking them for their service with the Area G Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission.

Carried

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1 The letter dated August 8, 2025 from Neville Abbott, Village of Lions Bay, requesting support for the UBCM resolution on Emergency Water Treatment Plants.

6. BYLAWS

- 6.1 **Bylaw 2971: East Waste Management Subregion Refuse Disposal/Recycling Service (Creston Landfill – Phase 1 C/D Closure & Berm) Loan Authorization**

The Board Report from Amy Wilson, Resource Recovery Manager, seeking the Board approval to move forward with the amended loan authorization Bylaw No. 2971 for long-term borrowing for the Creston Landfill – Phase 1 C/D Closure & Berm project, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

425/25

That THIRD reading of East Waste Management Subregion Refuse Disposal/Recycling Service (Creston Septage and Creston Landfill – Phase 1 C/D Closure & Berm) Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2971, 2024, be RESCINDED.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

426/25

That the East Waste Management Subregion Refuse Disposal/Recycling Service (Creston Landfill – Phase 1 C/D Closure & Berm) Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2971, 2024 be read a THIRD time, as amended.

Carried

6.2 Bylaw 3031: Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment (Fontaine and Kolynchuk - Area J)

The Board Report from Sadie Chezenko, Planner, seeking the Board adopt zoning amendment Bylaw No. 3031 (Fontaine and Kolynchuk - Area J), has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

427/25

That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3031, 2025 being a bylaw to amend the 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

6.3 Bylaw 3032: Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment (Edgewood Community Club Society - M'akola - Area K)

The Board Report from Sadie Chezenko, Planner, seeking the Board adopt zoning amendment Bylaw No. 3032 (Edgewood Community Club Society - M'akola - Area K), has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

428/25

That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3032, 2025 being a bylaw to amend the 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

6.4 Bylaw 3055: Slocan Valley Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment Amendment

The Board Report from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, seeking the Board to give three readings to amending Bylaw No. 3055, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

429/25

That the Slocan Valley Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 3055, 2025 be read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time by content.

Carried

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Development and Community Sustainability

7.1.1 Community to Community (C2C) funding for Goat River Watershed Sustainability Planning

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval for the C2C funding application to UBCM for the Building Our Relationship for Working Together on Water Sustainability with yaqan nu?kiy, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

430/25

That the Board approve submission of a Community to Community (C2C) funding application to UBCM for the Building Our Relationship for Working Together on Water Sustainability with yaqan nu?kiy;

AND FURTHER, directs staff to provide overall grant management for the project, with the Chair and Corporate Officer authorized to execute the application and any related agreements, subject to a successful application.

Carried

7.1.2 Award: Dog Control and Patrols in Taghum Beach and Crescent Valley Beach Regional Parks (Areas E and F)

The Board Report from Erik Stout, Manager of Building and Bylaw Enforcement, seeking Board approval to enter into a Service Agreement for Dog Control including added patrols in Taghum Beach Regional Park and Crescent Valley Beach Regional Park, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

431/25

That the Board approve a sole source Service Agreement with 1494359 BC LTD for Dog Control Services in Areas E and F and Dog Control patrols in Taghum Beach Regional Park and Crescent Valley Beach Regional Park to a maximum value of up to \$96,000 plus GST for the period of June 2, 2025 to April 15, 2027, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents;

AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Services:

- S183 Dog Control Services in E and F (General Service Provision)
- S202 Nelson Salmo EFG Parks Service (Dog Patrols Taghum Beach Regional Park)
- S203 New Denver, Silverton, Slocan and Area H Parks Service (Dog Patrols Crescent Valley Beach Regional Park)

Carried

**RECESS/
RECONVENED**

The meeting recessed at 10:22 a.m. for a break and reconvened at 10:38 a.m.

**DIRECTOR
ABSENT**

Director Davidoff left the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

7.1.3 FCM Green Municipal Fund: Climate-Ready Plans and Process Funding Application

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval to apply for FCM's Green Municipal Fund for Climate Ready Plans & Processes funding, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

432/25

That the Board direct staff to apply to FCM's Green Municipal Fund for Climate Ready Plans & Processes funding up to the maximum eligible amount, and to collaborate with RDCK member municipalities, Regional District of East Kootenay and Kootenay Boundary and First Nations governments where applicable;

AND FURTHER, That the Chair and Corporate Office be authorized to sign subject to a successful application;

AND FURTHER, approve an amendment to the 2025 year of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for Development Services Service A108 to INCREASE External Contributions & Contracts – Specified by \$140,000 and INCREASE Professional Fees by \$71,000; Education and Training by \$30,000; Travel by \$5,000; Advertising & Communication by \$20,000; and Administration by \$14,000.

Carried

7.1.4 Temporary Use Permit - Upper (Area G)

The Board Report from Sadie Chezenko, Planner, seeking Board approval for a Temporary Use Permit - Upper (Area G), has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

433/25

That the Board APPROVE the issuance of Temporary Use Permit T2501G to Porcupine Wood Products for the property located at 8564 Highway 6, Rural Salmo BC and legally described as LOT 1 DISTRICT LOT 1237 KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 4415 (PID 010-362-134) for the period of August 21, 2025 – November 21, 2025.

Carried

7.1.5 Investment Agriculture Foundation of BC's Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program, Stream 3: Goat River Watershed (Creston Valley)

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval to apply for Investment Agriculture Foundation of BC's Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program, Stream 3 for the Goat River Watershed (Creston Valley), has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

434/25

That the Board direct staff to apply to the Investment Agriculture Foundation of BC's Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program, Stream 3 (project type #8) to support direct producer engagement in the Goat River Watershed (Creston Valley), and that the Chair and Corporate Office be authorized to sign the necessary agreements subject to a successful application.

Carried

7.1.6 For Information: 2024 State of Climate Action and 2023 Greenhouse Gas Inventory

The Board Report from Paris Marshal Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, providing the Board with the 2024 State of Climate Action (SOCA) and 2023 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory reports, has been received for information.

7.1.7 For Information: 2024 Wildfires Community Recovery Manager Closeout

The Board Report from Ian Briscoe, Emergency Program Coordinator, providing the Board with a comprehensive overview of the post-wildfire community recovery work after the 2024 wildfire season, has been received for information.

7.1.8 For Information: 2024 Wildfire - After - Action Report

The Board Report from Dan Séguin, Manager of Community Sustainability, providing the Board with a summary of the findings and recommendations from the 2024 wildfire season, has been received for information.

7.2 Administration & Finance**7.2.1 SharePoint Migration Pilot Project**

The Board Report from Shiree Worden, Records and Information Management Coordinator, seeking Board approval to amend the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for the SharePoint Migration Pilot Project, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

435/25

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for General Administration Service S100 to Transfer from Reserves by \$27,417 and INCREASE Contracted Services by \$27,417 to provide partial funding for the SharePoint Migration Pilot Project.

Carried**7.2.2 Policy 200-01-18: Information Request Policy**

The Board Report from Shiree Worden, Records and Information Management Coordinator, seeking Board adopt Policy 200-01-18 Information Request, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

436/25

That the Board adopt Policy No. 200-01-18 Information Request policy effective immediately.

Carried**7.2.3 Annual Operations Agreement: BC Transit - Public Passenger Transportation System**

The Board Report from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, seeking Board approval to enter into an Annual Operating Agreement with BC Transit for the Public Passenger Transportation System, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

437/25

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into an Annual Operating Agreement with British Columbia Transit for the provision of a Public Passenger Transportation System for the period of April 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried**7.2.4 Physician Recruitment Contribution Agreement: Castlegar and District Physician Recruitment Funders (Areas I and J)**

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

438/25

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Physician Recruitment Contribution Agreement with Castlegar and District Physician Recruitment Funders (City of Castlegar) for the funding responsibilities and cost-sharing arrangements in connection to services outlined in the Physician Recruitment Services Agreement to be paid from Economic Development – Areas I and J Service S115 for the period from May 7, 2025 ending December 31, 2027, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

7.2.5 For Information: 2025 RDCK Quarterly Report (Q2)

The 2025 RDCK Quarterly Report (Q2) from Mike Morrison, Corporate Officer, has been received for information.

7.3 Fire Services

7.3.1 Financial Plan Amendment: Fire Services - Multiple Departments

The Board Report from Grant Hume, Regional Deputy Fire Chief, seeking Board approval to prepare financial amendments to multiple fire services, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

439/25

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for S137 Fire Protection – Area I to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$45,400 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditures by \$45,400;

AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for Rural Administration S101 to Decrease Account Equipment by \$54,000 and INCREASE Account Transfer to Other Service by \$54,000;

AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for S141 Fire Protection – Area E to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$27,000 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditures by \$27,000;

AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for S134 Fire Protection – Area F to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$27,000 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditures by \$27,000.

Carried

7.3.2 For Information: Service Case Analysis - Fire Protection/Response Hills to Summit Lake

The Board Report from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, providing the Board with an update on the investigation of Fire Protection/Fire Response Services for the community of Hills within Area H, has been received for information.

**ORDER OF AGENDA
CHANGED**

The Order of Business was changed to address public time with Item 11 Public Time considered at this time.

11. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:48 a.m.

There were no questions from the public or members of the media.

**ORDER OF AGENDA
RESUMED**

Item 7.4 Grants considered at this time.

7.4 Grants**7.4.1 Discretionary**Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

440/25

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

AREA A

Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary	\$500
Wynndel Community Centre	Wynndel Days	\$2,500

AREA B

Yahk Kingsgate Recreation Society	Emergency Well Repair/Upgrade	\$5,000
Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary	\$750

AREA C

Creston Valley Fall Fair	Fall Fair Local Food Feast	\$1,000
Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary	\$250

AREA J

Robson Fire and Rescue Society	Halloween Fireworks	\$1,000
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AREA K

Fauquier Community Club	Emergency Preparedness	\$950
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Carried**7.4.2 Community Development**Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

441/25

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

AREA A

Creston Auditorium Society	Keeping the Lights On	\$1,500
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AREA B

Creston Valley Fall Fair	Creston Valley Fall Fair 2025	\$2,500
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AREA D

Kaslo Mountain Bike Club	Upper Buckshot trail extension/Family bike park improvements	\$5,000
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Johnsons Landing Community Association	Emergency Preparedness	\$2,500
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Johnsons Landing Community Association	Operational Funding	\$4,900
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Village of Kaslo	Kaslo Cemetery	\$5,000
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AREA E

West Shores Leisure Advancement Society	Arts & Nature After School Club	\$3,917.40
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West Shores Leisure Advancement Society	E & F Community Newsletter	\$3,975.14
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AREA G

Salmo District Arts Council	Mediation and Training	\$5,000
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AREA H

Red Mountain Road and Enterprise Creek Emergency Preparedness Society (REEPS)	Volunteer Training	\$5,000
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AREA K

Kootenay Mountain Biking	Everyone Rides Grades 4 & 5 Education	\$3,000
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Kinship Connection Society	Exploring Building Acquisition	\$1,000
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CRESTON

Kootenay Mountain Biking	Everyone Rides Grades 4 & 5 Education	\$3,000
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KASLO

Village of Kaslo	Arena Community Readiness Project	\$20,000
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Village of Kaslo	City Hall Exterior Painting & A/V Equipment for Council Chambers	\$30,000
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Village of Kaslo	Kemball Memorial Centre Renovations	\$40,000
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SALMO

Village of Salmo	Emergency Replacement of Clarifier Pump	\$15,043.06
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Carried**7.4.3 Financial Service Grant Amendment**

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

442/25

That Resolution 344/25, being the allocation of Financial Service Grant funds, be amended by including:

Lardeau Valley LINKS Marketfest	EDC-Kaslo and D Services S109	\$6,800
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Kaslo Chamber of Commerce	EDC-Kaslo and D Services S109	\$7,500
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Carried**7.4.4 Community Works Funds Amendment: Fauquier Community Club - Solar Array Project**

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

443/25

That Resolution 398/25, being the allocation of Community Works funds, be amended by changing:

AREA K

Fauquier Community Club – Solar Array Project \$14,183.90

To

AREA K

Fauquier Community Club – Solar Array Project \$12,000

Carried**7.5 Chair/CAO Reports**

The Chair's Report regarding the Emergency Support Services (ESS) meeting with Emergency Management Climate Readiness (EMCR) and RDCK staff, has been received.

Chair Watson attended the Provincial announcement for the HealthIM app in Nelson with Honourable/MLA Brittny Anderson and City of Nelson Mayor Morrison. She provided the Board with an overview of what the HealthIM app entails and that it will help police assess next steps when they are dealing with a mental-health crisis.

She provided an update on the Emergency and Disaster Management Act working group and that soon they will be reviewing the regulations.

CAO Horn had no items.

**RECESSED/
RECONVENED**

The meeting recessed at 11:58 a.m. for lunch and reconvened 1:01 p.m.

8. RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**DIRECTOR
PRESENT**

Director Davidoff joined the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 444/25 That the Corporate Officer of the Regional District of Central Kootenay be directed to file a Notice with the Land Title and Survey Authority of British Columbia, stating that a resolution has been made under Section 57 of the Community Charter by the Regional District Board relating to land at 741 Waterloo Rd , Electoral Area J and legally described as LOT I, PLAN NEP90327, DISTRICT LOT 4598, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT PID 028-138-571, and further, if an active Building permit or Building application is in place, that it be cancelled; and finally, that information respecting the resolution may be inspected at the office of the Regional District of Central Kootenay on normal working days during regular office hours.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 445/25 That the Corporate Officer be authorized to remove the Notice on Title relating to 749 Waterloo Rd, Electoral Area J and currently owned by D Bar D Riding Stables Ltd., property legally described as LOT K, PLAN NEP90327, DISTRICT LOT 4598, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT, the RDCK Building Department has confirmed that the Notice on Title on this property is not required; And FURTHER, to waive the fees associated with the removal of the Notice on Title.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

446/25 That the Board APPROVE a Site-Specific Floodplain Exemption to authorize the existing manufactured home sites that have been established below the required Flood Construction Level and approve four (4) proposed sites (5A, 4A, 3A and 2A) to be established on the subject property in accordance with the "Geotechnical Flood Hazard Site Assessment – Revision 2" prepared by WSP Engineering, for the property located at 916 Airport Road, Electoral Area G and legally described as LOT 1, DISTRICT LOTS 17201 AND 273, KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN EPP103761 (PID: 031-317-910) as follows:

1. SUBJECT TO preparation by AMY BRANDL of a restrictive covenant under Section 219 of the Land Title Act and Section 56 of the Community Charter in favour of the Regional District of Central Kootenay.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

447/25 That staff be directed to complete the required "Notice of Zoning Bylaw Amendment" prior to the September Rural Affairs Committee meeting and further, explore the legal possibility of the applicant placing restrictive covenants on both of the potential proposed new .83 hectare lots limiting future development to 1 residence with no accessory accommodation and to bring the application back to Rural Affairs Committee.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

448/25 That the Board endorse the proposed consultation plan for the Official Community Plan updates, from the as outlined in the Consultation Plan - Official Community Plan Updates report, dated July 30, 2025, and with the added requests from the Rural Affairs Committee at the August 20, 2025 meeting:

1. Summary of changes in the common language;
2. Video explaining changes;
3. Presentation on changes;
4. Use of language to highlight density changes in the consultation material.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

449/25 That Electoral Area I (Sentinel Mountain) retain their existing Official Community Plans and Zoning bylaws without immediate alignment efforts.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

450/25 That the Planning Department workplan reflect the 2022 resolution regarding zoning work to be performed for Area D with a recognition of priority dating back to the initial community planning work done in 2010.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 451/25 That Electoral Area E retain their existing Official Community Plans and Zoning bylaws without immediate alignment efforts.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 452/25 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Passmore Fire Hall Stand-By Generator Project in the amount of \$20,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds allocated to Electoral Area H.

Carried

9. DIRECTORS' MOTIONS

9.1 Director Popoff: Recreation and Park Community Advisory Committee - Slocan Valley and Area H

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 453/25 That the Board direct staff to prepare a Recreation and Parks Community Advisory Committee bylaw that includes the Slocan Valley and Area H (South).

Carried

9.2 Notice of Motion: BC Climate Action Charter and Partners for Climate Protection Program

Director Vandenberghe request the following recommendation be added to the September 18, 2025 Board meeting:

"WHEREAS the RDCK is a signatory to the BC Climate Action Charter and a participant in the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program, both voluntary frameworks that promote net-zero targets;

AND WHEREAS participation in these programs incurs ongoing financial, staffing, and administrative obligations driven by top-down targets which may not align with local realities or infrastructure-based emissions reductions, and for which a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis has not yet been presented to the Board; and RDCK residents lifestyle desires may not align with these high-density, urban-focused mitigation strategies;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The RDCK Board direct staff to immediately suspend all work, including data collection and reporting, related to compliance with the PCP program and BC Climate Action Charter net-zero commitments;
2. That staff prepare and present to the Board a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis, including but not limited to: all financial obligations, staff/resource allocation, and other measurable costs and benefits incurred since RDCK's enrollment in the PCP program through to projections for 2050;
3. That this analysis include benchmark metrics and clarify how local infrastructure renewals and stewardship compare to program-mandated emissions targets in terms of cost and effectiveness.

4. That a “localized environmental stewardship” approach be defined and maintained until the Board has reviewed and approved the analysis and made further decisions;
5. That the Board will reconsider its continued participation in the PCP program upon review of the completed cost-benefit assessment."

10. CONSENT AGENDA

10.1 For Information: Committees & Commissions

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

10.1.1 Burton Water Service Community Advisory Committee: Discussion Notes June 2, 2025

10.1.2 Fauquier Water Service Community Advisory Committee: Discussion Notes June 9, 2025

10.1.3 Area A Economic Development Commission: minutes July 8, 2025

10.1.4 Area J Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes July 9, 2025
Staff has received direction regarding the Bylaw Amendment Application.

10.1.5 Area A Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes July 21, 2025

10.1.6 Area B Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes July 30, 2025
Staff has received direction regarding a Bylaw Amendment application.

10.1.7 Arrow Creek Water Treatment and Supply Commission: minutes July 31, 2025
Staff received direction to proceed with proposed measures to improve raw water quality through pre-treatment upgrades for the Arrow Creek water treatment facility.

10.1.8 Riondel Commission: minutes August 5, 2025
Staff has received direction regarding the purchase and installation of blinds at the Riondel Community Centre.

10.1.9 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes August 7, 2025

10.2 For Information: Communication

10.2.1 The letter dated July 22, 2025 from Jillian Rouselle, Ministry of Forests, providing the dates for the Heritage Conservation Act Transformation Project - Update and Phase 3 engagement opportunities.

10.2.2 The letter dated June 30, 2025 from Jay Chalke, Ombudsperson, providing the Quarterly Report - October 1 - December 31, 2024.

10.2.3 The email dated August 11, 2025 from Alison Fox, BC Ministry of Agriculture and Food, providing Bylaw Development in Farming Areas offers standards for local governments who are developing and amending bylaws affecting farming areas.

10.3 For Information: Accounts Payable

The Accounts Payable Summary for July 2025 in the amount of \$9,712,942 has been received for information.

10.4 For Information: Directors' Reports

10.4.1 Director Jackman: CBRAC/RCC/IJC

10.4.2 Director Popoff: Letter of Support - Valhalla Foundation for Ecology Application

10.4.3 Director Hewat: CBT & Activities**10.4.4 Director McLaren-Caux: July 7 - August 11 Activities****12. CLOSED****12.1 Meeting Closed to the Public**

The Open meeting will be adjourned after In Camera without reconvening back into the open session unless there is business that needs to be addressed.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

454/25

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:

- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (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;
- (f) law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation under or enforcement of an enactment;
- (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;
- (n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2);

Carried**12.2 Recess of Open Meeting**

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

455/25

The Open meeting be recessed at 1:15 p.m. in order to conduct the Closed Board meeting and reconvened at 3:11 p.m.

Carried**13. MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED MEETING**

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

456/25
IC56/25

That the Board authorize a Remedial Action Requirement in accordance with the Regional District of Central Kootenay's Unsightly Property Bylaw No, 1687, 2004 Sections 4 and 5, on property located at 734 11th Avenue South, Electoral Area B and LOT B, PLAN NEP12803, DISTRICT LOT 891, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT, PID 009-941-151 and zoned R2 Country Residential.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

457/25

That the Board approve funds in the amount of \$13,000 to develop a concept design and

IC59/25 estimate for the renovation of a new RDCK office space in the Rotacrest Hall upper floor; AND FURTHER that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for General Administration Service S100 to increase capital expenses by \$13,000 and transfer from reserves by \$13,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

458/25 That the Board authorize the cancellation of the Request for Proposal for architectural
IC61/25 assessments on the 19 fire halls within the RDCK, and that staff be authorized to retain the previously engaged structural engineer to provide letters of assurance on - Balfour - Beasley - Blewett - Crescent Valley - Harrop - North Shore - Pass Creek - Passmore - Riondel - Slokan - Winlaw - Wynndel – Yahk fire halls; AND FURTHER, that the structural engineer be retained, along with an architect, to prepare the design of necessary structural upgrades to Ootischenia, Robson, Ymir and Canyon Lister fire halls, with funds to be paid from the previously approved Community Works Fund applications, and that any unused funds are returned to the relevant electoral Area’s Community Works balance.

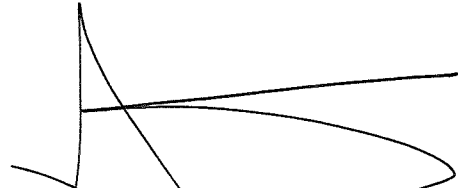
Carried

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

459/25 That the meeting adjourn at 3:11 p.m.

Carried



Aimee Watson, RDCK Board Chair



Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer