



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY
AREA A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
OPEN MEETING MINUTES

2:00 p.m. PDT

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

Location: Hybrid Model – In-person and Remote

ZOOM REMOTE MEETING INFO

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Join by Video:

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Join by Phone:

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Meeting ID: 930 7990 2753

Meeting Password: 881036

In-Person Location: Kokanee Springs Resort – lower level of the 1st Lodge building at the rear of the building, 16083 Woolgar Road, Crawford Bay, BC

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Director G. Jackman	Area A
Commissioner G. Medhurst	Crawford Bay – Chair
Commissioner G. MacMahon	Kootenay Bay
Commissioner R. Bertram	Crawford Bay/Gray Creek
Commissioner F. Demman	Wynndel

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner P. Cullinane	Boswell
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STAFF PRESENT

R. Baril	Meeting Coordinator
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GUESTS

M. Stenhouse
K. Pomeroy
L. Wakelin

5 out of 6 voting Commission/Committee members were present – quorum was met.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Medhurst called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

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

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved and seconded,
and resolved:

The agenda for the March 17, 2026 Area A Economic Development Commission meeting, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The February 9, 2026 Area A Economic Development Commission minutes, have been received.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce Grant Application

Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce Director's presented their funding request to the Commission. The Chambers goals this year is to have a larger presence at events to promote their membership to the community. They are planning a Father's Day fun event golf tournament that will highlight sponsors and promote their membership drive.

The Chamber is still pricing out options for website redesign. They will update and republish their budget and request.

The Commission has requested financial reporting for past grant money that was awarded to the Chamber to host the Christmas Dinner Gala in 2025 as well as the funding received to support hiring an Executive Director/Administrator in 2021.

Moved and seconded,
And resolved that it be recommended to the Board:

That the Board approve the payment of the following grant from the Area A Economic Development Commission Service S107 2026 budget:

Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce	\$1800.00
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Carried

5.2 Crawford Bay Sunday Market Grant Application

Moved and seconded,

And resolved that it be recommended to the Board:
That the Board approve the payment of the following grant from the Area A Economic Development Commission Service S107 2026 budget:

Crawford Bay Sunday Market \$4000.00

Carried

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1. Economic Action Plan

Director Jackman shared the Committee Report: Economic Development Services in the Creston Valley with the Commission, highlighting the Expression of Interest for an Economic Action Partnership contractor(s). The Commission is expectant of proposals to be presented at the next meeting for their review.

7. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public at 3:17 p.m.

No questions or comments from the public.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Area A Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. PT.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
and resolved:

The Area A Economic Development Commission meeting be adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

Carried

Digitally approved by:

Chair Gina Medhurst