



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

RIONDEL COMMISSION OPEN MEETING MINUTES

7:00 PM

June 2, 2026

IN-PERSON MEETING LOCATION FOR HYBRID MEETING MODEL

The following location has been determined to hold the in-person meetings for Riondel Commission of Management:

Location Name: Riondel Community Centre, Commission Office, Room #6

Location Address: 1511 Eastman Ave., Riondel BC

The facility listed above will be able to accommodate the remote requirements for the meeting.

Meeting Link:

<https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/99365439474?pwd=dt01B7UQVRpVgzCgb2t1woavUKcZ0w.1>

Join by Phone:

+1 604 449 3026 Canada Toll Free

Meeting ID: 993 6543 9474

Passcode: 528084

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Commissioner G. Panio	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner N. Anderson	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner J. Donald	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner S. Downing	Riondel	absent
Commissioner S. Horwood	Riondel	absent
Commissioner M. Stevely	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner G. Jackman	Director – Electoral Area A	absent

STAFF

Evan Salmon - Riondel Meeting Coordinator

4 out of 7 voting Commission/Committee members were present – quorum was met.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Panio called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Agenda for the June 2, 2026 Riondel Commission meeting, be adopted.

Carried

3. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The May 5, 2026 Riondel Commission minutes, have been received.

4. DELEGATE

There were not Delegations

5. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public at 7:02 p.m.

- Former Commissioner Tom Wilkinson suggested that the East Shore Transportation Society erect a car shelter for their vehicle parked at the Community Centre charging station. The shelter would be independent of the building.
- Chair Panio suggested contacting Stuart Durning (RDCK Facility Manager).
- Former Commissioner Tom Wilkinson suggested an emergency generator at the Community Center. This follows a major windstorm over the weekend with many residents still have no power four days after.
- Chair Panio and Commissioner Stevely are establishing capacity needs via a sizing exercise/audit in conjunction with RDCK staff. Commissioner Stevely suggested Emergency Services and KIN (Kaslo infoNet Society) can be consulted and to schedule a meeting with the Commissioners, Stuart Durning, an RDCK emergency planning representative, and a KIN representative. Chair Panio will arrange this.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1 Logging Truck Traffic

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal update regarding the logging above town.

- Chair Panio hasn't been able to determine the logging trucking business involved. No public complaints have been received.

6.2 Community Center Renovations

Chair Panio updated progress with the kitchen, accessible washroom, entrance door, stage banisters and playground.

- Chair Panio met with Columbia Basin Trust representative Patrick Checknita who is supportive towards these upgrades.
- A stucco contractor looked at the auditorium wall last week.
- Banisters are added to stage stairs.
- An accessible swing set, delivered to Creston, is ready to be installed at the Riondel Community Centre playground. Commissioner Stevely noted that the purchase was made without communication with the Commission. The RDCK bought the swing set via a grant, but there is a question as to whether the high installation costs will also be covered, or will be drawn from the S209 operating budget? Chair Panio will request clarification and emphasize importance of communication with RDCK staff.

6.3 Update on Fire Alarm System and Fire Alarm Drill

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal update regarding the fire alarm system and alarm drills, including:

- The system is yet not wired to battery backup nor can it call out.
- The panel date is incorrect though the time is correct.
- The Commission will need to schedule a fire drill when the evacuation plan map is received and posted in the Community Centre hallways.

6.4 IT Update

Commissioner Stevely provided the Commission with a verbal update regarding the new Internet, including:

- The library and gym have open Wi-Fi and he will add an open network in the Activity Room.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Water Treatment Plant Problem

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal update regarding the Riondel water treatment plant issues, including:

- The first problem was a blocked filter combined with a lapse in monitoring of the reservoir levels.
- The more recent problem was breakage of a major component in the plant. A technician was able to partially fix it. New parts have been ordered.
- Following this, water lines were flushed. During this time, residents called about having no water or noticing air and particulates in their lines. Concern was expressed that no information about flushing was communicated to Riondel residents, as has been policy in the past.
- Commissioner Stevely was concerned that on-call monitoring was missed prior to the plant's mechanical failure. He added that local cell coverage is lacking in Riondel thereby diminishing cellphone communications efficacy and wondered if Telus could be approached to improve services. This would likely be a community initiative.

7.2 Arbour Repair

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal update regarding the arbour repair including:

- the East Shore Shed members will be repairing the arbor in front of the Community Centre.

7.3 Playground Cleanup

Chair Panio discussed the playground cleanup with the Commission.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

There is no correspondence for this commission meeting.

9. AREA A DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Jackman was unable to attend this month's meeting.

10. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public at 7:43 p.m.

11. NEXT MEETING

The following Riondel Commission meeting will be held on July 7, 2026, at 7:00 pm.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That the Riondel Commission meeting adjourn at 7:44 pm.

Carried

Digitally Approved

Chair, G. Panio

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. N/A

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND WILL BE CONSIDERED AT ITS APPROPRIATE MEETING AS STATED.

Future Riondel Commission Meetings

1. N/A