



## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

# NELSON & DISTRICT RECREATION COMMISSION NO. 5 OPEN MEETING MINUTES

9:00a.m.  
May 27, 2026

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).

### COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Commissioner K. Page	City of Nelson- Chair
Commissioner K. Tait	City of Nelson
Commissioner T. Newell	Electoral Area F

### MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner J. Morrison	City of Nelson
Commissioner C. Graham	Area E

### STAFF

Trisha Davison	General Manger of Community Services
Craig Stanley	Regional Manager of Operations and Asset Management
Tia Wayling	Regional Programming Manager
Anne Gillender	Nelson & District Community Complex Facility Manager
Alana Jenkins	Meeting Coordinator

**3 out of 5 voting Commission members were present – quorum was met.**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Page called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.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 May 27, 2026 Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 meeting, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

The January 28, 2026 Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 minutes, have been received.

**MOVED** and seconded,  
AND Resolved:

That Andy Leathwood of the Nelson Sports Council be granted freedom of the floor.

**Carried**

**5. DELEGATE**

Jason Asbell, Eleanor Stacey, and Devon Caron from the Nelson Civic Theatre Society will present a request Society request to use the back of the parking lot between the NDCC and the Curling rink to the Commission.

Request was addressed by staff preceding the meeting.

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

**6.1 Nelson & District Community Complex Operations Update**

The Commission Report dated May 27, 2026 from Anne Gillender, NDCC Facility Manager, re: Nelson & District Community Complex Operations update, has been received.

- Reviewed facility maintenance updates.
- Discussed current lifeguard shortage and ongoing recruitment efforts with focus on leadership development for existing staff.
- New Assistant Manager will begin role June 1.
- Reviewed summer operating schedules for Gyro Pool, Paddle Rental Centre, and summer camps.

**6.2 Nelson & District Quarterly Programming Update**

The Commission Report dated May 27, 2026 from Tia Wayling, Regional Programming Manager re: Nelson & District Quarterly Programming Update, has been received.

- Reviewed January–March winter season statistics and budget status.
- Reported strong participation in themed programs, fitness, and swim lessons.
- Noted cancellation of non-themed Pro-D Day camps due to low enrollment.
- Discussed increasing public skating opportunities and improving facility schedules/guides.

**6.3 Nelson & District Community Complex Pool – Summer Hours of Operation**

The Commission Report dated May 27, 2026 from Tia Wayling, Regional Programming Manager re: Nelson & District Community Complex Pool - Summer Hours of Operation, has been received.

- Reviewed minor adjustments to the summer pool schedule.
- Adjusted opening times to improve clarity and reduce user confusion.

#### **6.4 Recreation Campus Capital Funding Service: Process & Impact**

The Commission Report dated May 27, 2026 from Trisha Davison, General Manager of Community Services, re: Recreation Campus Capital Funding Service: Process & Impact, has been received.

**MOVED** and seconded,  
AND Resolved:

That the Commission direct staff to defer item 6.4 Recreation Campus Capital Funding Service: Process & Impact to a future Recreation Commission No. 5 meeting.

**Carried**

### **7. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **7.1 Nelson & District Art Council Meeting**

Craig Stanley, Regional Manager of Operations and Asset Management to provide a verbal overview of the Nelson & District Art Council letter dated, February 17, 2026 re: A proposed Mural at the Nelson & District Community Complex.

- Advised mural agreement with the Nelson & District Arts Council is nearing completion
- Anticipated mural installation to begin in June
- Discussed maintenance and lifecycle provisions included in the agreement

### **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **8.1 Civic Centre Studio Space Letter**

The letter from Keith Page, Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 re: The City of Nelson's RFP for the Civic Centre Studio Space located at 719 Vernon Street, Nelson BC, has been received.

Chair Page clarified the point of process addressed via the letter.

#### **8.2 Nelson Leaf's E-mail**

E-mail dated May 7, 2026 from John Dooley representative of the Nelson Leaf's has been received.

- Discussed proposed Nelson Leafs dressing room renovation project.
- Advised project must proceed through RDCK processes to meet risk and approval requirements.
- Discussed updating long-term facility use agreement language.

**MOVED** and seconded,  
AND Resolved:

That John Dooley and Corey Viala of the Nelson Leafs be granted freedom of the floor.

**Carried**

- Nelson Leafs advised current dressing room size impacts coaching and recruitment and confirmed they would fund the project.
- Matter to return to the All Recreation Committee next month.

**RECESS/** The meeting recessed at 9:56 a.m. for break and reconvened at  
**RECONVENE** 10:04 a.m.

- Staff advised concession RFPs are expected to be released within the next few weeks with preference for longer-term agreements.

#### **9. PUBLIC TIME**

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 10:13 a.m.

- Public asked whether the Commission was considering taking over the Civic studio space.
- The public asked the difference between the All Recreation Committee and Recreation No. 5 Commission.

#### **10. NEXT MEETING**

The next Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

#### **11. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED** and seconded,  
AND Resolved:

The Nelson & District Recreation Commission meeting be adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

**Carried**

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Keith Page, Chair

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

#### ***Future Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 Meetings***

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- 1. That the Commission direct staff to defer item 6.4 Recreation Campus Capital Funding Service: Process & Impact to a future Recreation Commission No. 5 meeting.***