



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

**CRESTON VALLEY AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY
COMMISSION
OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

7:00 PM PT

Monday, June 8, 2026

Hybrid Meeting

To promote openness, transparency and provide accessibility to the public we provide the ability to attend all RDCK meetings in-person or remote.

Join by Video:

<https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/97534145331?pwd=DuyTclwGKeM2lqFR7Zr267aYqtnTSI.1>

Join by Phone:

- 833 955 1088 Canada Toll-free

Meeting ID: 975 3414 5331

Meeting Password: 846516

In-Person Location: Creston & District Community Complex – Erickson Room
312 19 Avenue North, Creston, BC

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Randy Meyer
Commissioner Larry Rast
Commissioner Dean Eastman
Commissioner Dale McNamar

Electoral Area B, Chair
Electoral Area C
Electoral Area C
Electoral Area C

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Commissioner David Mutch
Commissioner Owen Edwards

Electoral Area B
Electoral Area B

DIRECTORS

Roger Tierney
Kelly Vandenberghe

Electoral Area B, Director
Electoral Area C, Director

STAFF

Sadie Chezenko

Planner 1

Zachari Giacomazzo
Robin Baril

Planner
Meeting Coordinator

PUBLIC

Joel Comer

Applicant

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Meyer called the meeting to order at 7:04 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 June 8, 2026 Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission meeting, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The May 27, 2026 Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission minutes, have been received.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.1 Agricultural Land Reserve (Inclusion) Referral – Town of Creston

That the following motion BE REFERRED from May 27, 2026 Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission meeting to the June 8, 2026 Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission meeting:

- M4 zoning currently, re-zoning application is expected if the land would be approved for the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) inclusion. This would be considered the next step in the process, and staff would follow up with the Town of Creston staff for the re-zoning application.
- The Commission discussed the parcel being added to the ALR application and what the long-term plan would be for this parcel.
- Discussed the land swap procedure, however through the municipal referral makes it so that the Town of Creston does not have to go through Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission for the exclusion referral.
- If the land is already being farmed, the Commission is confused why this move is necessary.

- The Town of Creston has a need for additional land to develop for industrial use.

Moved and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Referral Package dated May 14, 2026 from Planner Zachari Giacomazzo, has been received. That the Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission NOT SUPPORT the Agricultural Land Reserve Referral to Town of Creston c/o Joel Comer for the property located at 1993 Airport Road, Lister, Electoral Area B. BLOCK A SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP 7 KOOTENAY DISTRICT (PID: 009-724-991).

Carried

5.2 Agricultural Land Reserve Referral

The Referral Package dated May 26, 2026 from Planner Sadie Chezenko, has been received.

- Town of Creston acquired the lot in question a few years ago
- The access goes through the neighbour's property, which she offered to donate to the Town of Creston to prevent development in this area.
- The parcels are quite steep and rocky.
- The parcel being donated is to be added onto the 2 fragmented parcels below.
- There is a covenant on the existing parcel, it is meant for passive recreational use.
- The Commission suggested that proper fencing is needed to have this area open to the public for walking trails.
- Area is gated to control access.

Moved and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That the Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission SUPPORT the Agricultural Land Reserve Referral to the Town of Creston c/o Joel Comer for the property located at Parcel 1: 905 32 Avenue South, Erickson, Electoral Area B. LOT 16 DISTRICT LOTS 812 AND 3864 KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 1455 EXCEPT PARCEL A (SEE 16637010) (PID: 015- 696-235). And Parcel 2: 1023 32 Avenue South, Erickson, Electoral Area B. LOT 3 DISTRICT LOTS 812 AND 3864 KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 17744 (PID: 009-611-037).

Carried

6 PUBLIC TIME

No public present

7 NEXT MEETING

The next Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission Meeting has yet to be scheduled.

8 ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission meeting be adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Carried

Digitally approved by:

Randy Meyer, Chair