



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

3:00 p.m. PT

Tuesday, August 4, 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: Gray Creek Hall – 15047 Highway 3A

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
C. Hopkins	Meeting Coordinator

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 3:00 p.m.
The meeting was delayed 30 minutes due to technical issues.

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 August 4, 2026 Area A Economic Development Commission meeting, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The July 7, 2026 Area A Economic Development Commission minutes, have been received.

Commissioner Present: F. Denman joined the meeting at 3:03 p.m.

5. OLD BUSINESS

5.1 Kootenay Lake Geothermal Funding Request

Commissioner MacMahon provided background to the Committee regarding the funding request to further the work of the South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society. He shared that with funding support from REDIP and Columbia Basin Trust, an airborne geophysical survey on the east shore was conducted. Commissioner MacMahon shared that the 3D inversion of the data is necessary to understand the geometry of subsurface features and how those features fit within the regional stress regime. He noted that the resultant 3D model will need interpretation by a geothermal expert.

The Committee had a discussion regarding the funding options.

Staff Present: R. Baril joined the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

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

That the 2026 Financial Plan for S107 Area A - Economic Development reduce allocation for Contracted Services to \$10,000 and increase allocation for Grants to \$23,310.

Carried

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

That Area A Economic Development Committee approve the Grant Application of \$10,000 to South Kootenay Lake Services Society for the 3D Inversion of the Phase 6 data.

Carried

6. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public at 3:22 p.m.

No questions from the media or public.

7. NEXT MEETING

The next Area A Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. PT.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
and resolved:

The Area A Economic Development Commission meeting be adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

Carried

Digitally approved by:

Chair Gina Medhurst