



Regional District of Central Kootenay
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Open Meeting Minutes

The **eighth** meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in 2026 was held on Thursday, August 20, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. through a hybrid meeting model.

Quorum was maintained throughout the meeting.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

PRESENT	Chair A. Watson	Electoral Area D	In-Person
	Director G. Jackman	Electoral Area A	In-Person
	Director R. Tierney	Electoral Area B	In-Person
	Director K. Vandenberghe	Electoral Area C	In-Person
	Director J. Smienk	Electoral Area E	In-Person
	Director T. Newell	Electoral Area F	In-Person
	Director H. Cunningham	Electoral Area G	In-Person
	Director W. Popoff	Electoral Area H	In-Person
	Director A. Davidoff	Electoral Area I	
	Director H. Hanegraaf	Electoral Area J	In-Person
	Director T. Weatherhead	Electoral Area K	In-Person
	Director M. McFaddin	City of Castlegar	In-Person
	Director A. DeBoon	Town of Creston	In-Person
	Director S. Hewat	Village of Kaslo	In-Person
	Director A. McLaren-Caux	Village of Nakusp	In-Person
	Director K. Page	City of Nelson	In-Person
	Director J. Fyke	Village of New Denver	
	Director D. Lockwood	Village of Salmo	In-Person
	Director T. Gordon	Village of Silverton	In-Person
	Director J. Lunn	Village of Slocan	In-Person

ELECTED OFFICIAL

ABSENT	Director C. Graham	Electoral Area E
	Director L. Casley	Village of New Denver

STAFF PRESENT	S. Horn	Chief Administrative Officer
	A. Lund	Deputy Corporate Officer
	A. Wilson	General Manager of Community Sustainability and Development Services
	D. Seguin	General Manager of Fire and Emergency Management Services
	M. Morrison	Manager of Corporate Administration
	T. Davison	General Manager of Community Services
	U. Wolf	General Manager of Environmental Services
	Y. Malloff	General Manager of Finance, Information Technology and Economic Development
	C. Stanley	Regional Manager Operations & Asset Management
	E. Stout	Building Manager
	K. Calder	Regional Manager of Recreation and Client Services
	C. LeBlanc	Community Resilience Coordinator

D. Elliott	Communications Coordinator
N. Wight	Planning Manager
P. Marshall Smith	Sustainability Planner
Z. Giacomazzo	Planner

1. ZOOM REMOTE MEETING INFO

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).

Meeting Time:
9:00 PDT

Join by Video:
<https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/95573345491?pwd=k4eCLxEF2ggHCiAbpTcQis1tMHnt5b.1>

Join by Phone:
855 703 8985 Canada Toll-free

*6 to unmute or mute
*9 to raise or lower your hand

Meeting ID: 955 7334 5491
Meeting Password: 142530

In-Person Location:
Nelson Office - Boardroom
202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC

2. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

This meeting is being recorded in accordance with the RDCK’s Recording Meetings policy and will be posted on the RDCK website.

2.1 Traditional Lands Acknowledgement Statement
We acknowledge and respect the Indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

2.2 Adoption of the Agenda
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

380/26 The agenda for the August 20, 2026 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted with the following:

- inclusion of Item 3.1.8 Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee - minutes August 18, 2026;
- inclusion of Item 9.1.6 Meeting with Provincial Ministers on Water Management, Diking Infrastructure, and Regulatory Modernization;
- inclusion of Item 9.2.7 letter of support to the West Creston Community Hall Society;
- inclusion of Item 9.4.5 Director Cunningham - Cross Borders Interview; and
- with the addition of the addendum

before circulation

Carried

2.3 Adoption of the Minutes

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

381/26 The minutes from the July 16, 2026 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

2.4 Introduction

CAO Horn introduced Yvonne Patterson the temporary Operations Coordinator.

2.5 Delegations

2.5.1 Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship: Turkey Surveys and Population Augmentation Project

Camille Roberge - BC Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship
Mike Jokinen, Wildlife Biologist and Researcher

Camille Roberge (BC Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship) and Michael Jokinen (Alberta Conservation Association) presented an overview of the Wild Turkey Translocation Project, a collaborative initiative that has operated in the Kootenays for the past four years. The project aims to address growing wild turkey populations in urban and rural residential areas of BC by trapping and relocating birds to suitable habitats in southwest Alberta.

The presenters explained that increasing turkey populations have resulted in numerous complaints from residents due to property damage, excessive droppings, aggressive behaviour, impacts on trees, and conflicts in neighbourhoods where hunting pressure is limited. Turkeys are captured using humane box traps, disease tested, temporarily housed, and then released in Alberta ranching areas where they help support and enhance local turkey populations.

To date, more than 600 turkeys have been successfully relocated from BC to Alberta. The project has also begun monitoring turkey survival, movement, and nesting success through GPS tracking of both resident and newly relocated birds. The presenters shared examples of requests from residents in the Castlegar, Pass Creek, Slocan Valley, and Passmore areas seeking assistance with problem turkey populations.

The Alberta Conservation Association has applied for a new Wildlife Act permit to continue the program, with a decision expected from the province within the next one to two months. Camille Roberge and Michael Jokinen requested that the Board consider providing a letter of support for the project, noting that local government support is an important factor in the provincial review process.

3. COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

3.1 With Recommendations

3.1.1 Nelson and District Recreation Commission: minutes July 29, 2026

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

382/26 That the RDCK Board approve renewing the Municipal Service Agreement with the City of Nelson for the Mobi-Wheelchair services, for an additional three (3) years

starting on May 1, 2026 and ending on April 30, 2029; AND FURTHER, that the Board Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

383/26 That the RDCK Board authorize staff to work with the City of Nelson to increase the maximum parking lot time limits at the Nelson and District Community Complex from two hours to three hours.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

384/26 That the Board authorize staff to negotiate and enter into a long-term Facility Use Agreement with the Nelson Leafs Hockey Society for use of the Nelson and District Community Complex for three (3) years, from August 1, 2026 to July 31, 2029, with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year terms; AND FURTHER, that the Board Chair and Corporate office be authorized to sign the agreement upon successful negotiations.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

385/26 That Item 3.1.1 the recommendation regarding the concession agreement be postponed for staff to provide clarification to directors and be addressed before Item 11 Closed, with Item 3.2.1 Area A Economic Development Commission: minutes August 4, 2026 considered at this time.

Carried

3.1.2 Area A Economic Development Commission: minutes August 4, 2026
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

386/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for S107 Area A - Economic Development to reduce the allocation for Contracted Services to \$10,000 and increase allocation for Grants to \$23,310.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

387/26 That the Board approve the Grant Application of \$10,000 to South Kootenay Lake Services Society for the 3D Inversion of the Phase 6 data.

Carried

3.1.3 Castlegar and District Recreation Commission: minutes August 4, 2026
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

388/26 That the Board authorize staff to negotiate and enter into a Facility Use Agreement with the Castlegar Hockey Society for use of the Castlegar and District Community Complex from August 1, 2026 to July 31, 2027, with the option to renew for two additional one-year terms; And that the Board Chair and Corporate office be authorized to sign each agreement upon successful negotiations.

Carried

3.1.4 Water Services Committee: minutes August 5, 2026
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

389/26 That the Board direct staff to develop a Regional Water and Wastewater Sustainability Framework that establishes the governance, principles, eligibility criteria, evaluation methodology, planning requirements and decision-making framework under which the RDCK may consider providing administrative, technical and financial support to non-RDCK water and wastewater systems, including consideration of Community Works Fund investments in eligible third-party water and wastewater infrastructure projects that demonstrate regional benefit and align with Board priorities.

Carried

3.1.5 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes August 6, 2026
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

390/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 year of the 2026-2030 Financial Plan for Service S108 – Economic Development Town of Creston, Areas B and C to INCREASE Grants Expense by \$77,000 and DECREASE Contracted Services by \$77,000 to have funds available to support Fields Forward’s work in the Creston Valley.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
MOTION ONLY

That the Board approve a grant payment of up to \$77,000 to Fields Forward from Service S108 – Economic Development Town of Creston, Areas B and C for the purposes of supporting it’s capital and operational budget for 2026.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION

391/26 The foregoing motion being:

That the Board approve a grant payment of up to \$77,000 to Fields Forward from Service S108 – Economic Development Town of Creston, Areas B and C for the purposes of supporting its capital and operational budget for 2026:

be amended by removing the words "up to" and replacing "\$77,000" with "\$70,000", thus reading:

That the Board approve a grant payment of \$70,000 to Fields Forward from Service S108 – Economic Development Town of Creston, Areas B and C for the purposes of supporting its capital and operational budget for 2026.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
MAIN MOTION

392/26

That the Board approve a grant payment of \$70,000 to Fields Forward from Service S108 – Economic Development Town of Creston, Areas B and C for the purposes of supporting its capital and operational budget for 2026.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

393/26

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a one-year concession services agreement at the Creston and District Community Complex with Rick's Iron Kettle Restaurant, commencing on September 1, 2026, and ending on August 31, 2027, with the option to renew for two one-year periods with Board approval, AND THAT, the Board Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

394/26

That the Board authorize staff to negotiate and enter into a Facility Use Agreement with the Creston Valley Junior Hockey Society for use of the Creston and District Community Complex from August 1, 2026 to July 31, 2027, with the option to renew for two additional one-year terms; And that the Board Chair and Corporate office be authorized to sign each agreement upon successful negotiations.

Carried

3.1.6 North Kootenay Lake Committee: minutes August 17, 2026

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

395/26

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a lease agreement with Kaslo Search and Rescue for shared use of the Kaslo Fire Hall's common areas, and lease of an office space for the period of 5 year, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

3.1.7 Joint Resource Recovery Committee: minutes August 19, 2026

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

396/26

That the Board direct staff to undertake the 2026 Compost Sales Plan at the Central Transfer Station, Ootischenia Landfill, and Creston Landfill for screened Class A compost produced from the Central and Creston Compost Facilities, and

that compost be made available for purchase by customers by volume at a rate of \$30 per cubic metre for loads 2 cubic meters or less, and by weight at a rate of \$50 per tonne for loads greater than 2 cubic metres, and that the minimum volume charge will be \$7.50 for loads less than 0.25 cubic metres;
AND FURTHER, that the revenue from the 2026 Compost Sales Plan go to Service A119 Organics Program – East Subregion for compost sold from the Creston Landfill, and Service A120 Organics Program – Central & West Subregions for compost sold from the Central Transfer Station and Ootischenia Landfill.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

397/26 That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Purchase of Goods Agreement with Universal Handling Equipment Ltd. for the supply and installation of a Bale Station Roll Off Hoist (Model U-3225) not to exceed the value of \$94,354.00 plus PST (\$6,604.78), for a total of \$100,958.78, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents;

AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Service S187 Refuse Disposal - Central Subregion.

Carried

3.1.8 Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee: minutes August 18, 2026

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

398/26 That the Board send a letter of support to Columbia Basin Trust for the College of the Rockies Creston Campus Applied Agricultural Research Project.

Carried

3.2 Membership/Appointments

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

399/26 That the Board appoint the following individuals to the Slocan Valley (Area H South) Recreation and Parks Community Advisory Committee for a term to end December 31, 2028:

Julie-Ann Chapman

Carried

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 The letter dated August 11, 2026 from Rob Kerslake, The District of Barriere, seeking support for the resolution regarding revenue sharing of PST and GST with Local Governments.

5. BYLAWS

5.1 Bylaws 3049, 3050, 3051, 3052, and 3076: Density Calculation and Housekeeping Text Amendments

The Board Report from Stuart Horn, Chief Administrative Officer, seeking Board approval to adopt planning bylaws that shift the way density is calculated in most residential zones in Areas A, B, C and D and one zone in Area I, has been received.

Recommendations 1 through 4 contained in Item 5.1 be moved as a block.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

400/26

That Electoral Area 'A' Comprehensive Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 3049, 2026 being a bylaw to amend the Electoral Area 'A' Comprehensive Land Use Bylaw No. 2315, 2013 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

401/26

That Electoral Area 'B' Comprehensive Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 3050, 2026 being a bylaw to amend the Electoral Area 'B' Comprehensive Land Use Bylaw No. 2316, 2013 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

402/26

That Electoral Area 'C' Comprehensive Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 3051, 2026 being a bylaw to amend the Electoral Area 'C' Comprehensive Land Use Bylaw No. 2317, 2013 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

403/26

That Electoral Area 'D' Comprehensive Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 3052, 2026 being a bylaw to amend the Electoral Area 'D' Comprehensive Land Use Bylaw No. 2435, 2016 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

404/26

That the following recommendation **BE REFERRED** to the September 24, 2026 Board meeting:

That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3076, 2026 being a bylaw to amend the District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

5.2 Bylaw 3088: Chair, Directors and Alternate Directors Remuneration Amendment

The Board Report from Yev Malloff, General Manager of Finance, IT and Procurement, seeking Board to give third reading and adopt Bylaw No. 3088, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

405/26 That Item 5.2 Chair, Directors and Alternate Directors Remuneration Amendment Bylaw No. 3088, 2026 **BE REFERRED** to the September 24, 2026 Board Meeting with any further amendments to Bylaw 3088 sent to staff by September 11, 2026.

Carried

Director Lockwood and DeBoon recorded opposed.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

406/26 That the Board dissolve the Directors Remuneration Select Committee.

Carried

**RECESSED/
RECONVENED** The meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m. for a break and reconvened at 10:41 a.m.

5.3 Bylaw 3079: Land Use Bylaw Amendment: Friends of Kitchener Society
The Board Report from Zachari Giacomazzo, Planner, seeking the Board adopt Land Use Amendment Bylaw 3079, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

407/26 That Electoral Area B Comprehensive Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 3079, 2026 being a bylaw to amend the Electoral Area B Comprehensive Land Use Bylaw No. 2316, 2013 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

5.4 Bylaw 3091: Delegation Authority
The Board Report from Mike Morrison, Corporate Officer, seeking Board approval to give two readings to Bylaw No. 3091, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
MOTION ONLY

That the Regional District of Central Kootenay Delegation of Authority Bylaw No. 3091, 2026 be read a FIRST and SECOND time by content; AND FURTHER staff be directed to have George Cuff, a subject matter expert on Governance for Local Governments, be invited to do a workshop on Governance to define the responsibilities of Directors and Staff before considerations of adopting the bylaw.

Call for division of the question.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

408/26 That the Regional District of Central Kootenay Delegation of Authority Bylaw No. 3091, 2026 be read a FIRST and SECOND time by content.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
RECOMMENDATION NO. 2

409/26 That the Board direct staff to invite George Cuff, a subject matter expert on Governance for Local Governments, be invited to do a workshop on Governance to define the responsibilities of Directors and Staff before considerations of adopting the bylaw.

Defeated

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Development and Community Sustainability

6.1.1 Financial Plan Amendment: FCM Green Municipal Fund, Climate Ready Plans & Processes Grant
The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval to amend the 2026-2030 Financial Plan for Development Services Service A108, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

410/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026-2030 Financial Plan for the Community Sustainability Service (S105) to INCREASE the Grant - Specified revenue account by \$100,000, INCREASE the Advertising account by \$20,000, INCREASE the Salaries account by \$70,000, INCREASE the Travel account by \$5,000, and INCREASE the Postage and Administration account by \$5,000, to recognize grant funding received from the Investment Agriculture Foundation of British Columbia Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program (Stream 3) for direct producer engagement in the Goat River Watershed.

Carried

6.1.2 Financial Plan Amendment: Investment Agriculture Foundation Grant - Goat River Watershed Producer Engagement
The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval to amend the 2026-2030 Financial Plan for Community Sustainability Service S105, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

411/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026-2030 Financial Plan for the Community Sustainability Service (S105) to INCREASE the Grant - Specified revenue account by \$100,000, INCREASE the Advertising account by \$20,000, INCREASE the Salaries account by \$70,000, INCREASE the Travel account by \$5,000, and INCREASE the Postage and Administration account by \$5,000, to recognize grant funding received from the Investment Agriculture Foundation of British Columbia Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program (Stream 3) for direct producer engagement in the Goat River Watershed.

Carried

6.1.3 Standing Committee: Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board direction to reconstitute the Community Sustainable Living Committee, has been received.
Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

412/26

That Item 6.1.3 Standing Committee: Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee be postponed to before Item 11 Closed to allow public time to take place at 11:45 a.m., with Item 6.1.4 Award of Contract: Preliminary Assessment of Hydraulic Connectivity in the Goat River Watershed considered at this time.

Carried

6.1.4 Award of Contract: Preliminary Assessment of Hydraulic Connectivity in the Goat River Watershed

The Board Report from Camille LeBlanc, Community Resilience Coordinator, seeking Board approval to award the contract for the preliminary assessment of hydraulic connectivity in the Goat River watershed, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

413/26

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Community Sustainable Living Service 105 to INCREASE Account Grants by \$29,000 and INCREASE Account Consulting Fees by \$29,000;

AND FURTHER that the Board approve the RDCK enter into a consulting services agreement with Western Water Associated Ltd. for preliminary assessment of hydraulic connectivity in the Goat River Watershed to a maximum value of \$79,851 plus GST for the period August 21, 2026 to March 31, 2028 and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents;

AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from S105 - Community Sustainable Living.

Carried

6.2 Fire Services

6.2.1 Financial Plan Amendment: Fire Services

The Board Report from Dan Zayac, Deputy Regional Fire Chief, seeking the Board approve financial plan amendments to Balfour-Harrop Fire Protection - Area E Service S141 and Beasley/Blewett Fire Protection - Areas E and F Service S144, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

414/26

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Balfour-Harrop Fire Protection - Area E Service S141 to Increase Account Transfer from Reserves (Balfour-Harrop) by \$65,000 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditures (Balfour-Harrop) by \$65,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

415/26

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Beasley/Blewett Fire Protection (Area E) Service S144 Fire Protection to Increase

Account Transfer from Reserves (Blewett) by \$75,000 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditures (Blewett) by \$75,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

416/26

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Beasley/Blewett Fire Protection (Area F) Service S144 to Increase Account Transfer from Reserves (Beasley) by \$51,000 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditure (Beasley) by \$51,000.

Carried

6.3 Grants

6.3.1 Discretionary

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

417/26

Discretionary grants out of the funds available for the following Electoral Areas/Member Municipalities be approved as designated:

<u>AREA A</u>		
Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association	Community Hall Restoration	\$10,000
Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary Golf Tournament	\$500
Kootenay Holds Climbing and Wellness Society	Kootenay Holds Bouldering Gym	\$1,000
<u>AREA B</u>		
Creston Valley Junior Hockey Society	Golf Tournament Sponsorship	\$400
Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary Golf Tournament	\$750
Kitchener Valley Recreation and Fire Protection Society	Maintenance and Moving the Heating Unit	\$2,000
Lister Community Cemetery	Lister Water Expense	\$1,000
Rykerts Irrigation District	Inflow and outflow meters at the reservoir	\$4,000
<u>AREA C</u>		
Creston Valley Junior Hockey Society	Golf Tournament Sponsorship	\$400
Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary Golf Tournament	\$500
<u>AREA F</u>		
Kootenay Circus Arts Association	Flow and Acro Jams	\$800
Ridgewood Improvement District	Engineering Study Extension	\$1,500
<u>AREA G</u>		
Rosebud Community Watershed Protection Group	Rural Development Project	\$5,000

Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society	New Room Design and Furniture	\$10,000
Ymir Arts and Museum Society	Emergency Exit Stairs Roof	\$5,000
Ymir Volunteer Fire Department	PPE replacement	\$10,000
<u>AREA J</u>		
Robson Fire and Rescue society	Halloween Fireworks	\$1,000
<u>SLOCAN</u>		
Village of Slocan	Zone 6 Koot 55+ Senior Games 2026	\$100
		Carried

6.3.2 Community Development

Director Smienk declared a conflict of interest due to being a member of one of the organization that is up for Community Development funds and left the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

418/26

Community Development grants out of the funds available for the following Electoral Areas/Member Municipalities be approved as designated:

<u>AREA A</u>		
Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association	Crawford Bay Community Hall Restoration Project	\$10,000
Diverse Family Roots	Sensory GO Bags	\$500
Fields Forward Socety	2026 Kootenay FarmscFood Hub Operations	\$10,000
Nelson and District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$500
Regional District Central Kootenay	Goat River Watershed Celebration	\$1,000
<u>AREA B</u>		
Kootenay Holds Climbing and Wellness Society	Bouldering Gym	\$3,000
Regional District Central Kootenay	Goat River Watershed Celebration	\$2,000
<u>AREA C</u>		
Regional District Central Kootenay	Goat River Watershed Celebration	\$1,250
<u>AREA D</u>		
Ainsworth Recreation Association	Billboard	\$600
Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society	The "Letting Go" Project	\$1,000

Regional District Central Kootenay	Free tipping at Marblehead	\$7,000
<u>AREA E</u>		
Balfour and District Business and Historic Association	St. Michael's and All Angels Chapel and Performance Center insulation and siding project	\$10,000
Nelson Cycling Club	Morning Mountain Project	\$7,149
<u>AREA F</u>		
Nelson Cycling Club	Morning Mountain Project	\$7,149
<u>AREA G</u>		
Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre	Lower Level Roof Replacement	\$5,000
Salmo District Arts Council	Strategic Planning Refresh and Policy oversight	\$774
<u>AREA H</u>		
Kelowna General Hospital Foundation	Joeannas House Expansion	\$5,000
Regional District of Central Kootenay	Area H Bike Locker Pilot	\$30,000
Regional District of Central Kootenay	Krestova Regional Park Biophysical Ecological Assessment Implementation	\$100,000
Slocan Valley Rail Trails Society	Interactive Rail Trail Map	\$2,100
Benailse Retreat Centre C/O Kootenay Growth Soc Property	Hall Renovation & Grounds Work	\$5,000
<u>AREA I</u>		
Glade Recreation Commission	Emergency Preparedness	\$10,000
Shoreacres Neighbourhood Community Association	Porta Potty rental at the Keiran Galbraith Memorial Park	\$2,500
<u>AREA J</u>		
Diverse Family Roots	Sensory GO Bags	\$1,000
Renata Development Society	Society admin laptop	\$1,450.43
Robson Raspberry Improvement District	Source water protection plan	\$19,738
<u>AREA K</u>		
Burton Volunteer Fire Brigade	Soler Panels	\$4,600
Edgewood Seniors Society	Edgewood Seniors Programs	\$1,000
Edgewood Volunteer Fire Dept. Society	Fire Hall Expansion	\$45,000

Fauquier Community Club	Appreciation of Volunteerism(adjusted)	\$1,500
Nakusp and District Museum	Tea Party Fundraiser	\$800
<u>CRESTON</u>		
Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce	301 Suite Coworking	\$20,000
<u>KASLO</u>		
Kootenay Lake Historical Society	S.S. Moyie Ghostwalk Radio Play	\$1,000
<u>NAKUSP</u>		
Village of Nakusp	Library HVAC Upgrades	\$15,000
<u>NEW DENVER</u>		
Nelson and District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$2,000
<u>SALMO</u>		
Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre	Lower Level Roof Replacement	\$5,000
<u>SILVERTON</u>		
Village of Silverton	Silverton Community Improvements	\$3,820.72
<u>SLOCAN</u>		
Village of Slocan	ND Caregiver Support-NDCS	\$1,000
Village of Slocan	Halloween Hoot	\$5,500
		Carried

Director Smienk joined the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

ORDER OF AGENDA CHANGED

The Order of Business was changed to address public time, with Item 10 Public Time considered at this time.

10. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:45 a.m.

A member of the public asked questions regarding Director’s succession planning after the 2026 General Local Election.

RECESSED/ RECONVENED

The meeting recessed at 11:53 a.m. for lunch and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

DIRECTOR ABSENT

Director Fyke left the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
ITEM 6.1.1 - RECONSIDERATION OF THE MOTION

419/26

That the foregoing resolution 410/26 being:

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026-2030 Financial Plan for the Community Sustainability Service (\$105) to INCREASE the Grant -

Specified revenue account by \$100,000, INCREASE the Advertising account by \$20,000, INCREASE the Salaries account by \$70,000, INCREASE the Travel account by \$5,000, and INCREASE the Postage and Administration account by \$5,000, to recognize grant funding received from the Investment Agriculture Foundation of British Columbia Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program (Stream 3) for direct producer engagement in the Goat River Watershed:

BE RECONSIDERED by replacing the recommendation with the following:

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 year of the 2026–2030 Financial Plan for Development Services Service A108 to INCREASE External Contributions & Contracts – Specified by \$94,350; and to INCREASE Professional Fees by \$45,000, Education and Training by \$34,350, Travel by \$5,000, Advertising & Communication by \$5,000, and Administration by \$5,000.

Carried

**ORDER OF AGENDA
RESUME**

Item 6.4 Chair/CAO Report considered at this time.

6.4 Chair/CAO Reports

Vice Chair Aidan provided a summary of the August 6, 2026 meeting with Provincial Ministers, highlighting discussions on water management, diking infrastructure, and regulatory modernization (see Item 9.1.7).

Chair Watson provided an update on the ministerial visit regarding Goat River watershed Water Sustainability Planning, as well as discussions related to emergency operations and wildfire response.

CAO Horn provided an overview of four recent wildfire deployments. He noted that meetings between UBCM delegates and ministry staff will be held virtually during the week preceding the 2026 UBCM Convention. He also advised that staff will circulate a Directors’ Orientation survey to assist in planning the 2026 orientation sessions and ensure they reflect directors’ feedback and priorities.

7. RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 420/26 That the Corporate Officer of the Regional District of Central Kootenay be directed to file a Notice with the Land Title and Survey Authority of British Columbia, stating that a resolution has been made under Section 57 of the Community Charter by the Regional District Board relating to land at 3108 Highway 3, Electoral Area B, and legally described as LOT 4, PLAN EPP36005, DISTRICT LOT 812, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT, PID 029-789- 826; AND FURTHER, if an active Building permit or Building application is in place, that it be cancelled; and finally, that information respecting the resolution may be inspected at the office of the Regional District of Central Kootenay on normal working days during regular office hours.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 421/26 That the Board APPROVE the issuance of Development Variance Permit V2612A to Irene and Antonio Bagnoli for the property located at 10862 Sanca Park Road, Electoral Area A and legally

described as LOT 7, DISTRICT LOT 913, KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 8037 (PID: 012-078-255) to vary Section 18.17 of Electoral Area 'A' Comprehensive Land Use Bylaw No. 2315, 2013 in order to permit a 0.0 metre setback from the front lot line and a 2.17 metre setback from the side lot line whereas the bylaw requires a 7.5 metre setback from the front lot line and a 2.5 metre setback from the side lot line.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 422/26 That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3087, 2026 being a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 is hereby given FIRST, SECOND and THIRD reading by content;

And that the consideration of adoption BE WITHHELD for Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3087, 2026 until the following item has been obtained:

- Approval from the Ministry of Transportation and Transit pursuant to Section 52(3)(a) of the Transportation Act (Controlled Access).

Carried

Recommendations 4 through 6 contained in Item 7 be moved as a block.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 423/26 That the Board SUPPORT application A2607C for the purposes of a Non- Farm Use in the ALR proposed by Mark Crowe on behalf of the RDCK Parks Department for the property located at 2012 Kootenay River Road, Electoral Area C and legally described as THAT PART OF DISTRICT LOT 13567 BEING THE DRAINAGE CHANNEL RESERVES AND DYKES SHOWN ON PLAN 1859 AND THOSE PARTS OF THE SAID LOT LYING BETWEEN THE DYKES AND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SAID LOT (PID: 016-494-440);

AND FURTHER; that the Board directs Staff to ADVANCE the subject application to the Agricultural Land Commission for consideration.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 424/26 That the Board SUPPORT application A2605B for the purposes of an ALR Inclusion application proposed by The Town of Creston for the property located at 1993 Airport Road, Electoral Area B and legally described as BLOCK A, SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 7, KOOTENAY DISTRICT (PID: 009-724-991);

AND FURTHER; that the Board directs Staff to ADVANCE the subject application to the Agricultural Land Commission for consideration.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 425/26 That the Board SUPPORT application A2608C for the proposed non-farm use in the Agricultural Land Reserve proposed by Pam Alloway for the property located on 1348 West Creston Road, Electoral Area C and legally described as LOT 818, KOOTENAY DISTRICT (PID: 012-864-803);

and that the Board directs Staff to ADVANCE the subject application to the Agricultural Land Commission for consideration.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 426/26 That Regional District of Central Kootenay Electoral Area 'G' Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 3025, 2026 being a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Central Kootenay Electoral Area 'G' Land Use Bylaw No. 2452, 2018 is considered consistent with the RDCK "2026-2030 Financial Plan" and RDCK "Resource Recovery Plan", pursuant to Section 477(3)(a) of the Local Government Act.

Carried

Recommendations 8 through 22 contained in Item 7 be moved as a block, with recommendation 14 pulled from the block.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 427/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK- Goat Canyon Park Development in the total amount of \$1,000,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area B as an internal transfer to S201 Regional Parks Creston and Areas B and C.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 428/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S201 Regional Parks Creston and Areas B and C to INCREASE Transfer from Community Works by \$1,000,000 and INCREASE Capital Expenditures by \$1,000,000.00.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 429/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Yahk Firehall Lighting Replacement in the total amount of \$15,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area B as an internal transfer to Service S148 Fire Protection-Area B (Yahk, Kingsgate).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 430/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S148 Fire Protection Area B (Yahk, Kingsgate) to INCREASE Transfer from Community Works by \$15,000 and INCREASE Capital Expenditures by \$15,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

- 431/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Resource Recovery Upgrades in the total amount of \$300,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area D, E & F as an internal transfer to Service S187 Refuse Disposal (Central Subregion).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 432/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK- Firehall Structural Upgrades Additional Funds in the total amount of \$200,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area G as an internal transfer to Service S136 Fire Protection - Area G (Ymir).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 433/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK- Slocan Valley Firehall Infrastructure Upgrades Additional Funds in the total amount of \$350,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area H as an internal transfer to Service S142 Fire Protection Area – Area H (Slocan Valley).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 434/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S142 Fire Protection Area – Area H (Slocan Valley) to INCREASE Transfer from Community Works by \$350,000 and INCREASE Capital Expenditures by \$350,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 435/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Tarrys Firehall Bay Expansion in the total amount of \$50,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area I as an internal transfer to Service S137 Fire Protection Area I (Tarrys, Pass Creek).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 436/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S137 Fire Protection Area I (Tarrys, Pass Creek) to INCREASE Transfer from Community Works by \$50,000 and INCREASE Capital Expenditures by \$50,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 437/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK- Robson Firehall Fencing & Doors Additional Funding in the total amount of \$17,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area J as an internal transfer to S138 Fire Protection Area J (Robson, Raspberry).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 438/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S138 Fire Protection Area J (Robson, Raspberry) to INCREASE Transfer from Community Works by \$17,000 and INCREASE Capital Expenditures by \$17,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 439/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Burton Waterline Replacement in the total amount of \$200,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area K as an internal transfer to Service S252 Water Utility – Area K (Burton).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 440/26 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Fauquier Waterline Replacement in the total amount of \$200,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds and allocated to Electoral Area K as an internal transfer to Service S254 Water Utility – Area K (Fauquier).

Carried

Recommendation 14 contained in Item 7 be moved on its own.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 441/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S136 Fire Protection Area G – (Ymir) to INCREASE Transfer from Community Works by \$200,000 and INCREASE Capital Expenditures by \$200,000.

Carried

8. DIRECTORS' MOTIONS

- 8.1 Director Lockwood: Financial Service Grants - Economic Development-Salmo and Area G Service S113 and Museum-Salmo and Area G Service S192
Board Meeting - June 18, 2026
RES 295/26**

That the Board authorize the release of funding for the following Financial Grant Services, excluding S113 - Economic Development - Salmo & District Chamber of

*Commerce and S192 - Museum - Salmo & Area Museum Society, as of August 1, 2026
subject to the receipt and staff review of society and non-profit organization financial
statements, minutes of the most recent annual general meeting, and a list of active
officers:*

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

442/26

That the Board authorize the release of funding for the following Financial Grant Services, as of August 20, 2026 subject to the receipt and staff review of society and non-profit organization financial statements, minutes of the most recent annual general meeting, and a list of active officers:

S113 - Economic Development - Salmo & District Chamber of Commerce \$12,240;
S192 - Museum - Salmo & Area Museum Society \$21,457; and
S192 - Museum - Ymir Arts & Museum Society \$7,800.

Carried

9. CONSENT AGENDA

9.1 For Information: Committees & Commissions

Committee/Commission Reports for information have been received as follows:

9.1.1 Area D Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes June 16, 2026

Staff received direction regarding the Development Permit Applications and the Bylaw Amendment Referral Form.

9.1.2 Creston Valley Agricultural Advisory Commission: minutes July 2, 2026

Staff received direction regarding the Agricultural Land Reserve Referral.

9.1.3 Nelson, Salmo Areas E, F and G Regional Parks Commission: minutes July 22, 2026

Staff received direction regarding TAWROC - CIC Bluffs, Nelson Nordic Ski Club, Blewett Community Society, and letter of support for the Nelson Cycling Club.

9.1.4 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes July 23, 2026

9.1.5 Area E Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes July 30, 2026

Staff received direction regarding the Development Permit Applications.

9.1.6 Riondel Commission: minutes August 4, 2026

9.1.7 Meeting with Provincial Ministers on Water Management, Diking Infrastructure, and Regulatory Modernization: meeting notes August 6, 2026

9.2 For Information: Communication

9.2.1 The letter dated June 25, 2026 from Loyal Wooldridge, Regional District of Central Okanagan, regarding funding continuation of the BC Local Government Climate Action Program.

9.2.2 The letter dated June 25, 2026 from Loyal Wooldridge, Regional District of Central Okanagan, regarding the provincial sales tax expansion.

9.2.3 The letter dated July 8, 2026 from Michael Goetz, City of Merritt, regarding animal control bylaw amendment for pigeon release restrictions.

9.2.4 The letter dated July 28, 2026 from Jessica Lunn, Village of Slocan, regarding funding continuation of the BC Local Government Climate Action Program.

- 9.2.5 The letter dated August 4, 2026 from Aimee Watson, RDCK, letter of support for the Mt. Willet Wilderness Forever campaign to include Argenta-Johnsons Landing face in the Purcell Wilderness Conservancy Provincial Park.**

**Board Meeting - June 18, 2026
RES 272/26**

WHEREAS, the long-term benefits to residents of the Argenta-Johnsons Landing Face, for the regional tourist economy, for the protection of its many environmental attributes, and most critical, the risk mitigation to further community impacts from land management that is not inclusive of ecological integrity;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board send a letter of support to the Ministry of Environment and Parks in support of the Mt. Willet Wilderness Forever campaign to include the crown land on the Argenta -Johnsons Landing Face in the Purcell Wilderness Conservancy Provincial Park.

- 9.2.6 The letter dated July 28, 2026 from Alan Harrison, City of Salmon Arm, regarding funding continuation of the BC Local Government Climate Action Program.**
- 9.2.7 The letter dated August 19, 2026 from Aimee Watson, RDCK, letter of support to the West Creston Community Hall Society for their fundraising efforts towards the completion of the West Creston Community Firehall project.**

**Board Meeting - July 16, 2026
RES 373/26**

That the Board send a letter of support to the West Creston Community Hall Society for their fundraising efforts towards the completion of the West Creston Community Firehall project.

9.3 For Information: Accounts Payable

The Accounts Payable Summary for July, 2026 in the amount of \$3,978,089 has been received for information.

9.4 For Information: Directors' Reports

Half the Directors gave a brief summary of the work they have been doing within their communities.

9.4.1 Director Jackman: IJC/CBRAC/RCC

9.4.2 Director Vandenberghe

9.4.2.1 Director's Report: FCM

9.4.2.2 Director's Report: KLFLP/KBFA

9.4.3 Director Hewat: CBT

9.4.4 Director Weatherhead: Letter of Support - Heritage BC Legacy Fund

9.4.5 Director Cunningham: Cross Borders Interview

Director Cunningham took part in an interview with Cross Borders -

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/940-district-of-central-kootenay-director-hans-cunningham/id1766544533?i=1000774197111>

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 443/26 That Item 3.1.1. Nelson and District Recreation Commission: minutes July 29, 2026 (Recommendation - Concession Agreement) and Item 6.1.3 Standing Committee: Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee be considered at this time.

Carried

3.1.1. Nelson and District Recreation Commission: minutes July 29, 2026

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 444/26 That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a one-year concession services agreement at the Nelson and District Community Complex with GSL Group commencing on September 1, 2026 and ending on August 31, 2027, with the option to extend for two one-year periods, and that the Board Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the agreement.

Carried

6.1.3 Standing Committee: Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 445/26 That the recommendation **BE REFERRED** back to staff for review:

That the Board direct staff to prepare a bylaw and draft Terms of Reference to reconstitute the Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee (CSLAC) as a standing committee of the Board, on the model of the Rural Affairs Committee but with municipal representation, for the Board's consideration no later than Q4 2026;

AND FURTHER, that the Board endorse Funding Model 2 (Shared Regional and Rural Administration) as described in Section 4.1 of this report as the basis for preparing the 2027 draft Financial Plan, with project-specific costs recovered from benefiting services and sub-regional committees;

AND FURTHER, that the Board direct staff to adjust the 2026 Financial Plan and make the necessary changes to wind down the Service S105 requisition no later than the 2028 Financial Plan;

AND FURTHER, that staff be directed to bring forward a transition plan for existing Service S105 project commitments, including proposed cost-sharing arrangements for sub-regional watershed projects, for the Board's consideration as part of the 2027 budget process.

Carried

Chair Watson recognized Pamela Guille, Bylaw Enforcement Officer, and wished her the best on her retirement.

RECESS/ The meeting recessed at 2:27 p.m. for a break and reconvened at 2:39 p.m.
RECONVENED

11. CLOSED

11.1 Meeting Closed to the Public

The Open meeting will be adjourned after In Camera without reconvening back into the open session unless there is business that needs to be addressed.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 446/26
- In the opinion of the Board - and in accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter* - the public interest so requires that persons other than DIRECTORS, ALTERNATE DIRECTORS, DELEGATIONS AND STAFF be excluded from the meeting; AND FURTHER, in accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, the meeting is to be closed on the bases identified in the following subsections:
- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;

(n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2);

Carried

11.2 Recess of Open Meeting
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 447/26
- The Open meeting be recessed at 2:40 p.m. in order to conduct the Closed Board meeting and reconvened at 2:48 p.m.

Carried

12. MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED MEETING
No items.

13. ADJOURNMENT
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 448/26
- That the meeting adjourn at 2:48 p.m.

Carried

Originally signed by

Aimee Watson, RDCK Board Chair

Originally signed by

Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer