



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

RECREATION COMMISSION NO. 7

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

7:00 p.m.
September 21, 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).

Join by Video:

<https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/98083065968?pwd=azSoaaagdWwu5JxKSdFvK9zwCunKEF.1>

Join by Phone:

1 833 958 1164

Meeting ID: 980 8306 5968

Meeting Password: 136289

In-Person Location: Village of Salmo – 423 Davies Avenue

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Director D. Lockwood	Village of Salmo - Chair
Director H. Cunningham	Area G
Commissioner I. McInnes	Area G
Commissioner S. Chew	School District No. 8
Commissioner M. MacDonald	Village of Salmo

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner A. Ellis	Village of Salmo
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STAFF

Trisha Davison	General Manager of Community Services
Kristi Calder	Regional Manager of Recreation & Client Services
Tia Wayling	Regional Programming Manager
Alana Jenkins	Meeting Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lockwood called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 September 21, 2026 Recreation Commission No. 7 meeting, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The May 11, 2026 Recreation Commission No. 7 minutes, have been received.

5. DELEGATE

Jon Francis, a representative with Salmo Secondary School to provide the Commission with a discussion to extend hours for a high school fitness class or to allow the School District to rent the space.

Key discussion items included:

- Request for school use of the fitness centre 3 to 4 days a week until January 29th.
- The number of students enrolled in the class and the benefits of it.
- The risk of students dropping the class if access is not part of the curriculum.
- Alternative options explored.
- The possibility of coordinating with Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre staff.

Direction to Staff:

The Commission directs staff to research potential options to extend hours for a high school fitness class or to allow the School District to rent the space.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1 Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre Summer Camp Update

The Commission Report dated September 21, 2026, from Kristi Calder, Regional Programming Manager, re: Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre Summer Camp program, has been received.

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That Laura Stavast, Executive Director of the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre be granted freedom of the floor.

Carried

Key discussion items included:

- The financials provided and suggestions to improve the clarity of future reports.
- Success of the pilot project preventing cancellations from lack of instructors.

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That the board directs staff to release \$10,131 in grant funding through Service No. S218 for Pro-D Day and summer camps to the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre.

Carried

7. STAFF REPORTS

7.1 Salmo Pool 2026 Update

The Commission Report dated September 21, 2026, from Kristi Calder, Regional Manager of Recreation & Client Services and Tia Wayling, Regional Programming Manager, re: Salmo Pool 2026 Update, has been received.

Key discussion items included:

- Attendance and donation statistics and the updated data collection methods.
- The ongoing review of payment and admission options.
- How to make donations easier for users.
- How groups can sponsor an event.

Staff Direction:

The Commission directs staff to research options to expand and improve the accessibility of the donation system, increase public awareness, and report back in the spring.

8. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public at 7:53 p.m.

One member of the public welcomed the high school students potentially having a separate time in the fitness centre to prevent crowdedness and noted the Youth Centre's mandate is to support recreation so they would be happy to support the initiative.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next Recreation Commission No. 7 meeting is to be determined.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Recreation Commission No. 7 meeting be adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Carried

Digitally Approved

D. Lockwood, Chair

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1. That the board directs staff to release \$10,131 in grant funding through Service No. S218 for Pro-D Day and summer camps to the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre.*

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

Future Recreation Commission No. 7 Meetings

- 1. The Commission directs staff to research potential options to extend fitness centre hours for a high school fitness class or to allow the School District to rent the space.*
- 2. The Commission directs staff to research options to expand and improve the accessibility of the donation system at the Salmo Pool, increase public awareness, and report back in the spring.*