



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

NELSON & DISTRICT RECREATION COMMISSION NO. 5 OPEN MEETING MINUTES

9:00a.m.

September 28, 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 J. Morrison	City of Nelson
Commissioner K. Tait	City of Nelson
Commissioner C. Graham	Area E
Commissioner T. Newell	Electoral Area F

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF

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

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Page called the meeting to order at 9:03 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 September 29, 2026 Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 meeting, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The August 26, 2026 Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 minutes, have been received.

5. DELEGATE

Dan Maglio and Tony Maida, from Nelson Leaf's Oldtimers Hockey Club will present a presentation requesting that the Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 restore and maintain the Club's longstanding Monday evening ice allocation timeslot to the Commission.

Key discussion items included:

- The history of the organization.
- The previous appeal and timeline for the change to the organization's timeslot.
- Request to restore the 8:30 p.m. timeslot as 9:45 p.m. is not acceptable for elderly players.

6. STAFF REPORTS

6.1 Nelson & District Community Complex: Old Timers Ice Allocation Appeal

The Commission Report dated September 29, 2026 from Trisha Davison, Regional Manager of Community Services, re: Nelson & District Community Complex: Old Timers Ice Allocation Appeal, has been received.

MEMBER PRESENT: Commissioner Morrison joined the meeting at 9:17 a.m.

Key discussion items included:

- An overview of the challenges faced by staff associated with the ice allocation procedures.
- Suggestions for items to be included in the review of the Recreation Allocation Policy and associated allocation procedures.

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That Tony Maida, Nelson Leafs Oldtimers Hockey Club be granted Freedom of the Floor.

Carried

- The ability for the Oldtimers to change timeslots if an availability arises.
- The existing language within the Oldtimers contract.

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That the Commission uphold the 2026/2027 ice allocation schedule as revised based on Commission's direction from the August 26, 2026 Commission meeting.

That the concerns raised through the appeal be considered as part of the ongoing review of Recreation Allocation Policy No. 500-01-09 and associated allocation procedures.

Carried

6.2 Nelson & District Quarterly Programming Update

The Commission Report dated September 29, 2026 from Tia Wayling, Regional Programming Manager, re: Nelson & District Quarterly Programming Update, has been received.

Key discussion items included:

- Overall success of summer camps with noted operational challenges due to wildfire smoke impacts and lower attendance at some off-site locations.
- Improvements in attendance over the past two summers with weather continuing to be the biggest factor in admissions.
- Plans for monitoring data patterns through the fall season.

6.3 Nelson & District Community Complex Concession Agreement

The Commission Report dated, September 29, 2026 from Craig Stanley, Regional Manager of Operations and Asset Management, re: Nelson & District Community Complex Concession Agreement has been received.

Key discussion items included:

- An overview of the contract process that ended with the GSL group withdrawing, and the current recommendation from staff.
- How to obtain more concession coverage outside of special events.
- The ability for other organizations to utilize the concession area when not operated by the Leafs.
- Ownership of the equipment located at the concession.
- The potential for future improvements to the concession facilities.

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into negotiations for a concession services agreement at the Nelson and District Community Complex with the Nelson Leafs Hockey Society commencing on November 1, 2026, and ending on August 31, 2027, with the option to extend for two one-year periods, AND FURTHER;

That the Board Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the agreement.

Carried

6.4 Service S226 Centre Financial Plan Amendment

The Commission Report, dated September 29, 2026 from Craig Stanley, Regional Manager of Operations and Asset Management, re: Service S226 Centre Financial Plan Amendment has been received.

Key discussion items included:

- The reasoning for the financial plan amendment.
- The vehicle being replaced would then be sold at auction.

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S226 Recreation Facility-Nelson and Areas F and Defined E to Decrease Vehicles expense by \$15,000 to Increase Transfer to Other Services expense by \$15,000.

Carried

7. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 10:01 a.m.

- One member of the public asked about the ice allocation priority list and how it was developed, if the regionalization of RDCK facilities has impacted policy, and encouraged community participation to be weighed more heavily during the policy review.
- A second member of the public requested more information on the upcoming ASI Capital Investment study and when it would be released – fall or early spring. They asked about utilizing arena dry floor space for summer camps and requested the expected timeline for the Allocation Process review.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Nelson & District Recreation Commission No. 5 meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Nelson & District Recreation Commission meeting be adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Carried

Digitally Approved

Keith Page, Chair

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. *That the Board approve the RDCK enter into negotiations for a concession services agreement at the Nelson and District Community Complex with the Nelson Leafs Hockey Society commencing on November 1, 2026, and ending on August 31, 2027, with the option to extend for two one-year periods, AND FURTHER;
That the Board Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the agreement.*
2. *That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S226 Recreation Facility-Nelson and Areas F and Defined E to Decrease Vehicles expense by \$15,000 to Increase Transfer to Other Services expense by \$15,000.*

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

- 1. That the Commission uphold the 2026/2027 ice allocation schedule as revised based on Commission's direction from the August 26, 2026 Commission meeting.
That the concerns raised through the appeal be considered as part of the ongoing review of Recreation Allocation Policy No. 500-01-09 and associated allocation procedures.*