

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN

BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, October 16, 2025

RDOS Boardroom

101 Martin Street, Penticton, BC V2A 5J9



MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair M. Pendergraft, Electoral Area "A"
Vice-Chair C. Watt, City of Penticton
Director R. Barkwill, Summerland
Director G. Bush, Electoral Area "B"
Director B. Coyne, Electoral Area "H"
Director S. Coyne, Town of Princeton
Director A. Fedrigo, Electoral Area "E"
Director R. Gettens, Electoral Area "F"
Director R. Graham, City of Penticton

Director I. Gilbert, City of Penticton
Director M. Johansen, Town of Oliver
Director S. McKortoff, Town of Osoyoos
Director S. Monteith, Electoral Area "I"
Director T. Roberts, Electoral Area "G"
Alt. Director S. Stewart, City of Penticton
Director M. Taylor, Electoral Area "D"
Alt. Director E. Trainer, District of Summerland
Director J. Wiebe, Village of Keremeos

MEMBERS ABSENT: Director J. Bloomfield, City of Penticton
Director D. Holmes, District of Summerland

Director I. Chahal, Electoral Area "C"
Director J. Reynen, City of Penticton

STAFF PRESENT: J. Zaffino, CAO
N. Evans-MacEwan, CFO

T. Batten, Corporate Officer

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

That the Agenda for the RDOS Board Meeting of October 16, 2025, be adopted. **-CARRIED**

A.1 Consent Agenda - Corporate Issues

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Consent Agenda Corporate Services be adopted. **-CARRIED**

A.1.1 Advisory Planning Commissions

A.1.1.1 Electoral Area "D" Advisory Planning Commission

THAT the Minutes of the September 29, 2025, Electoral Area "D" Advisory Planning Commission meeting be received.

A.1.2 Parks and Recreation Commissions

A.1.2.1 Okanagan Falls Parks and Recreation Commission

THAT the Minutes of the September 25, 2025, Okanagan Falls Parks and Recreation Commission meeting be received.

A.1.3 Protective Services Committee

THAT the Minutes of the October 2, 2025, Protective Services Committee meeting be adopted.

A.1.4 RDOS Board of Directors

THAT the Minutes of the October 2, 2025, RDOS Board of Directors meeting be adopted.

B. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES - Rural Land Use Matters

B.1 Agricultural Land Commission Referral (Non-Farm Use) – Electoral Area “C” (C2025.013 - ALC)

(Unweighted Corporate vote - Simple Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the RDOS Board “authorize” the application to permit the operation of an RV park as a non-farm use on the parcel located at 146 Willow Court (Lot 836, Plan KAP6070, District Lot 2450S, SDYD) to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission. **-CARRIED**

B.2 Official Community Plan (OCP) & Zoning Bylaw Amendments – Electoral Area “G” (G2025.011-ZONE) 2748 River Road

(Unweighted Rural Vote - Simple Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Electoral Area “G” Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2975.01, 2025, and the Electoral Area “G” Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2781.02, 2025, be read a first and second time and proceed to public hearing;

AND THAT the Board of Directors considers the process, as outlined in this report from the Chief Administrative Officer dated October 16, 2025, to be appropriate consultation for the purpose of Section 475 of the Local Government Act;

AND THAT, in accordance with Section 477 of the Local Government Act, the Board of Directors has considered Amendment Bylaw No. 2975.01, 2025, in conjunction with its Financial and applicable Waste Management Plans; AND THAT the holding of a public hearing be scheduled for the Regional District Board meeting of November 20, 2025;

AND THAT staff give notice of the public hearing in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act. **-CARRIED**

C. PUBLIC WORKS

C.1 Updated Resolution for Strategic Priorities Fund Applications

By consensus this item was moved to the end of the meeting to allow for Director Gettens to be present. Please refer to pages 5 and 6 of these minutes.

C.2 Utilities Amendment to Fees and Charges Bylaw 3097, 2025

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - 2/3 Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 3097.03, 2025 be read a third time as amended by:

Under Section 2. i) 10.0 Lakeshore Waterworks System

- Per Property - Removing \$420 and replacing with \$464,
- Per Vacant Lot - Removing \$210 and replacing with \$153,
- Under Section 2. ii) 3.0 Vintage Views Wastewater System
- Per Property – Removing \$551 and replacing with \$ 570,
- Per Vacant Lot – Removing \$275 and replacing with \$190 and,

THAT Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 3097.03, 2025 be adopted. **-CARRIED**

D. PROTECTIVE SERVICES

D.1 2026 UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund – Emergency Support Services Equipment and Training Grant

(Unweighted Corpore Vote - Simple Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen submit a joint application under the 2026 UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund – Emergency Support Services Equipment and Training Grant for \$330,000 and manage the grant on behalf of the Upper Similkameen Indian Band, Penticton Indian Band, Osoyoos Indian Band, City of Penticton, District of Summerland, Village of Keremeos, Town of Princeton, Town of Oliver, Town of Osoyoos with the possibility of the Lower Similkameen Indian Band.

CARRIED

Director Fedrigo joined the meeting at 9:14 am.

E. FINANCE

E.1 Community Works Gas Tax Reserve Expenditure Bylaw – Digital Speed Reader Boards

(Weighted Corporate Vote - 2/3 Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 3120, 2025, being a bylaw that authorizes the expenditure of \$65,691 from various Community Works Program (Gas Tax) Reserve Funds for the purposes of installing digital radar speed signs be read a first, second and third time and be adopted.

That Bylaw No. 3102.07, 2025, being a bylaw to amend the 2025-2029 Five Year Financial Plan to include the additional expenditures of \$65,691 from the Community Works Reserve, \$22,626 from Area G Rural Projects Reserve and \$6,000 in grant funds be read a first, second and third time and be adopted. **-CARRIED**

E.2 2025-2029 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw Amendment – South Okanagan General Hospital Housing for Healthcare Workers Project

(Weighted Corporate Vote - 2/3 Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 3102.08, 2025, being a bylaw to amend the 2025-2029 Five Year Financial Plan to include the additional expenditures of \$10,000 from the Electoral Area “C” – Rural Projects Operating Reserve be read a first, second and third time and be adopted. **-CARRIED**

E.3 2026 Permissive Tax Exemptions

(Weighted Corporate Vote - 2/3 Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 3121, 2025 being a bylaw of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen to exempt specific properties from property taxation be read a first, second and third time and be adopted. **-CARRIED**

F. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

F.1 Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 3097.04, 2025

(Weighted Corporate Vote - 2/3 Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 3097.04, 2025, a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Fees and Charges Bylaw to update GIS fees and to add fees for court rentals at Pioneer Park in Kaleden, be read a first, second, and third time and be adopted. -

CARRIED

F.2 Security Issuing Bylaw No. 3122 – District of Summerland

(Weighted Corporate Vote - 2/3 Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Security Issuing Bylaw No. 3122, 2025, being a bylaw of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen to authorize the borrowing of up to \$6,058,550 for the estimated costs of Victoria Road S. upgrades and Wharton Street upgrades, be read a first, second, and third time, and be adopted. **-CARRIED**

C.1 Updated Resolution for Strategic Priorities Fund Applications

This item was postponed from earlier in the meeting.

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Board supports the following projects that were submitted for the 2025 Strategic Priorities Fund intake:

- Vintage Views Wastewater System Upgrades
- Lakeshore Waterworks and Skaha Estates Water Systems Upgrades
- Sage Mesa Water System Reservoir and Treatment Plant Upgrades

AND THAT the Board supports:

- the willingness to provide overall grant management for all projects; and
- any cost overruns that are beyond the requested grants amounts for all projects.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT consideration of the motion be deferred to the end of the meeting. **-CARRIED**

G. CAO REPORTS

G.1 Verbal Update

G.1.1 Strategic Priorities Board Amendments

G.2 Clarification on One-Hectare Policy and Grant Eligibility

Director S. Coyne joined the meeting at 9:56 am.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Board support developing a process to forward to the Province any development applications for subdivision approval below the one-hectare policy.

CARRIED

H. OTHER BUSINESS

H.1 Chair's Report

H.2 Directors Motions

H.3 Board Members Verbal Update

H.3.1 Board Representation

1. Municipal Finance Authority – *Pendergraft, Watt (Alternate)*
2. Municipal Insurance Association – *Pendergraft, Taylor (Alternate)*
3. Okanagan Basin Water Board - *McKortoff, Holmes, Monteith, Fedrigo (Alternate), Pendergraft (Alternate), Taylor (Alternate)*
4. Okanagan Film Commission – *S. Coyne, Fedrigo (Alternate)*
5. Okanagan Regional Library – *Fedrigo, Monteith (Alternate)*
6. Okanagan-Kootenay Sterile Insect Release Board – *Bush, Roberts (Alternate)*
7. Southern Interior Municipal Employers Association – *S. Coyne*
8. Starling Control – *Bush*
9. Economic Trust of the Southern Interior (ETSI-BC) - *Johansen, McKortoff, Bloomfield, Roberts (Alternate)*

C.1 Updated Resolution for Strategic Priorities Fund Applications

This item was postponed from earlier in the meeting.

Director Gettens joined the meeting at 10:29 am.

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Majority)

Motion on the Floor

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Board supports the following projects that were submitted for the 2025 Strategic Priorities Fund intake:

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AND THAT the Board supports:

- the willingness to provide overall grant management for all projects; and
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-CARRIED

I. CLOSED SESSION

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT in accordance with Section 90(1)(e)&(j), and (2)(b) of the *Community Charter*, the Board close the meeting to the public on the basis of 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, information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the [Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act](#), and the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party. **-CARRIED**

The meeting was closed to the public at 10:39 am and reopened to the public at 11:54 am.

K. ADJOURNMENT**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the meeting adjourn at 11:55 am. **-CARRIED**

APPROVED BY:

"Original signed by"

M. Pendergraft, Chair

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

"Original signed by"

T. Batten, Corporate Officer