

# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN

## BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, March 5, 2026

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 J. Bloomfield, City of Penticton  
Director G. Bush, Electoral Area "B"  
Director I. Chahal, Electoral Area "C"  
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 A. Holley, Village of Keremeos  
Director D. Holmes, District of Summerland  
Director M. Johansen, Town of Oliver  
Director S. McKortoff, Town of Osoyoos  
Director S. Monteith, Electoral Area "I"  
Director J. Reynen, City of Penticton  
Director T. Roberts, Electoral Area "G"  
Director M. Taylor, Electoral Area "D"

STAFF PRESENT: J. Zaffino, CAO  
N. Evans-MacEwan, CFO  
T. Batten, Corporate Officer

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The meeting was called to order at 10:32 am.

### A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B71/26**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

That the Agenda for the RDOS Board Meeting of March 5, 2026, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

A.1 Consent Agenda - Corporate Issues

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B72/26**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Consent Agenda Corporate Services be adopted.

**CARRIED**

A.1.1 Committee of the Whole

THAT the Minutes of the February 19, 2026, Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

A.1.2 RDOS Board of Directors

THAT the Minutes of the February 19, 2026, RDOS Board of Directors meeting be adopted.

A.2 Consent Agenda - Development Services Issues

(Unweighted Rural Vote - Simple Majority)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Consent Agenda - Development Issues be adopted.

**CARRIED**

A.2.1 Development Variance Permit Application — Electoral Area “E” (E2026.003-DVP)

THAT Development Variance Permit No. E2026.003-DVP, to allow for the construction of a single detached dwelling at 4545 Mill Road, be approved.

A.2.2 Development Variance Permit Application — Electoral Area “E” (E2026.002-DVP)

THAT Development Variance Permit No. E2026.002-DVP, to allow for the construction of a single detached dwelling at 4535 Mill Road, be approved.

**B. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES - Rural Land Use Matters**

B.1 Agricultural Land Commission Referral (Removal of Soil) – Electoral Area “F” (F2026.003-ALC)

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the RDOS Board “authorize” the application for the “Removal of Soil (Extraction) within the ALR” at 22901 Bathville Road (District Lot 3771, ODYD) to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission.

**CARRIED**

**B73/26**

**B74/26**

- B.2 Official Community Plan (OCP) & Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Electoral Area “H” (H2025.017-ZONE)

(Unweighted Rural Vote - Simple Majority)

**B75/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Electoral Area “H” Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2497.18, 2026, and the Electoral Area “H” Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3065.02, 2026, 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 March 5, 2026, 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. 2497.18, 2026, 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 March 19, 2026;

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

**CARRIED**

- B.3 Electoral Area “G” Zoning Bylaw Update – Conservation Area & Parks and Recreation Zones (G2025.013-ZONE)

(Unweighted Rural Vote - Simple Majority)

**B76/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Electoral Area “G” Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2781.03, 2026, be read a third time.

**CARRIED**

- B.4 Official Community Plan (OCP) & Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Electoral Area “I” (I2025.008-ZONE)

(Unweighted Rural Vote - Simple Majority)

**B77/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Electoral Area “I” Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2683.09, 2025, and the Okanagan Valley Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2800.56, 2025, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

B.5 Short-Term Rental Accommodations – Policy and Procedures Review (X2026.001-DPB)  
(Unweighted Rural Vote - 2/3 Majority)

**B78/26** **MOVED and SECONDED**  
THAT the Development Procedures Amendment Bylaw No. 2800.38, be read a first, second, and third time and adopted.  
**CARRIED**  
**Opposed:** Director B. Coyne  
(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B79/26** **MOVED and SECONDED**  
THAT the Vacation Rental Temporary Use Permit Policy be referred to the EA Committee.  
**CARRIED**  
**Opposed:** Director Gilbert

**C. PUBLIC WORKS**

C.1 Letter of Support - Vaseux Creek Sustainable Agricultural Groundwater Plan  
(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B80/26** **MOVED and SECONDED**  
THAT the Board provide a Letter of Support to the Vaseux Water User Community (VWUC) related to the grant application to Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB) Water Conservation and Quality Improvement Grant Stream for upgrading the community water supply from surface to groundwater supply, creating a more efficient and reliable source.  
**CARRIED**

C.2 Solid Waste Curbside Collection Program Regulatory Bylaw No. 3123  
(Unweighted Participant Vote - Simple Majority) Participants: Village of Keremeos, Electoral Areas "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F", "G", and "I"

**B81/26** **MOVED and SECONDED**  
THAT Bylaw No. 3123, 2026 Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Solid Waste Curbside Collection Service Regulatory Bylaw be adopted.  
**CARRIED**

**D. COMMUNITY SERVICES**

D.1 Authorization to Apply for Community War Memorial Funding – Naramata Cenotaph Relocation Project  
(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B82/26** **MOVED and SECONDED**  
THAT the Board authorize staff to apply to Veterans Affairs Canada under the Community War

Memorial Funding Program for the Naramata Cenotaph Relocation Project.

**CARRIED**

**E. PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

E.1 Letter of Support - Justice Institute of British Columbia - Toward Equitable and Inclusive Emergency Management

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B83/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Board endorses the following actions by the Protective Services department:

- Support of the Justice Institute of British Columbia's application to the College and Community Social Innovation Fund, which will be demonstrated through the provision of a formal letter of support;

AND THAT Participation in the research project investigating the integration of equity and inclusion practices in emergency management, if the grant application is successful.

**CARRIED**

**F. FINANCE**

F.1 RDOS 2026-2030 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 3134,2026

(Weighted Corporate Vote - 2/3 Majority)

**B84/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Bylaw No. 3134,2026 being a bylaw of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen to adopt the 2026-2030 Five Year Financial Plan be read a third time as amended with the inclusion of the adjustment requests listed in Appendix A of March 5,2026, RDOS 2026-2030 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 3134,2026 administrative report; and,

THAT Bylaw No. 3134,2026 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**G. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

G.1 Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 3128, 2026

(Weighted Corporate Vote - 2/3 Majority)

**B85/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Bylaw No. 3128, 2026, a bylaw of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen to set Fees and Charges, be read for a second time as amended, read for a third time, and be adopted.

**CARRIED**

G.2 Skaha Estates Improvement District Conversion Grant

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B86/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Board direct staff to apply to the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs for a Restructure Implementation Grant to assist with the costs associated with the conversion of Skaha Estates Improvement District to an RDOS service.

**CARRIED**

**H. CAO REPORTS**

H.1 Verbal Update

H.1.1 2026 Strategic Actions Workplan Amendments

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B87/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Board of Directors adopt the 2026 Strategic Actions workplan as amended by Schedule 1.

**CARRIED**

H.2 Strategic Priorities Board Amendments

**I. OTHER BUSINESS**

I.1 Chair's Report

I.2 Directors Motions

I.2.1 Director Fedrigo

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B88/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT a new section be added to all Planning, Infrastructure, and Community Services staff Board Reports, pertaining to Electoral Areas, that clearly indicates whether the EA Director(s) were advised or consulted on the item prior to the report being brought forward to the Board.

**DEFEATED**

**Opposed: Directors:** Barkwill, Bloomfield, Bush, B. Coyne, S. Coyne, Gettens, Graham, Holley, Holmes, Johansen, Chahal, Reynen, McKortoff, Gilbert, Monteith, Pendergraft, Roberts, Taylor, Watt

I.2.2 Director Fedrigo

(Weighted Corporate Vote - Majority)

*The Director requested this motion be considered at the March 19, 2026 meeting.*

That the RDOS Board reallocate a portion of the approximately \$200,000 currently collected through taxation in Electoral Area "E" for regional planning to enable Electoral Area E to contract out select planning services, for the purpose of alleviating the current workload pressures within the Planning Department, until such time as the department has addressed the outstanding items on the strategic priority list.

I.3 Board Members Verbal Update

*The Meeting recessed at 12:03 pm and reconvened at 12:32 pm.*

*Director B. Coyne, and Roberts were not in attendance when the meeting reconvened.*

**J. CLOSED SESSION**

(Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority)

**B89/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT in accordance with Section 90(1)(c)(e)(i), and (j) of the *Community Charter*, the Board close the meeting to the public on the basis of;

- labour relations or other employee relations, and;
- the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Board considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the Regional District, and;
- the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, and;
- 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\*](#).

**CARRIED**

*The meeting closed to the public at 12:38 pm and reopened to the public at 2:23 pm.*

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

**B90/26**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the meeting adjourn at 2:23 pm.

**CARRIED**

**APPROVED BY:**

*"Original signed by"*

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M. Pendergraft, Chair

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

*"Original signed by"*

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T. Batten, Corporate Officer