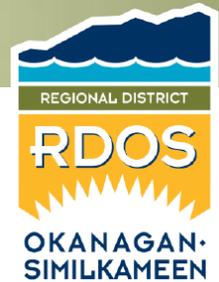


REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN

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June 8, 2021



RDOS Board and Committee meeting highlights

[May 6, 2021 Agenda Package](#)

Public Hearing (May 6)

Electoral Area “F” Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2461.15, 2021. The purpose of the proposed zoning amendment is to facilitate the creation of two new parcels at 8475 Princeton Summerland Road.

Public Hearing (May 6)

Electoral Area “D”, “E”, “F”, & “I” Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2911, 2020. The purpose of the proposed amendment is to introduce regulations governing the use and placement of Solar Energy Systems.

Planning and Development Committee (May 6)

The Committee discussed the engagement tools created to provide residents and property owners with information on Phase 4 of the Residential Zone update for Low Density Residential (RS) and Small Holdings (SH) zones. The tools include a Geographic Information System (GIS) storyboard, video tutorial, and background information document. Links and information will be posted on the RDOS website and social media channels. Phase 4 of the Residential Zone Update represents one of the last steps in the preparation of a single zoning bylaw for the Okanagan Electoral Areas.

The Committee supported a proposed amendment to Bylaw No. 2500.20, 2021, to amend the Vacation Rental TUP Renewals Development Procedures. The next step in the process is consideration of the proposed amendments by the applicable Electoral Area Advisory Planning Commissions (APCs).

Protective Services Committee

The Committee received a quarterly report presentation from Brian Hunter, RCMP Superintendent and Area Detachment Commanders from Princeton, Keremeos, Oliver, Osoyoos and Summerland.

Community Services

The Committee received a presentation from Sandra Menzer and Monica Petek with the Social Planning and Research Council of BC (SPARC BC) on the South Okanagan-Similkameen Child Care Action Plan report. The Committee discussed next steps to continue working with partners, key stakeholders and other local governments on the recommendations outlined in the Action Plan.

The Action Plan presents evidence-based actions to improve access to high-quality child-care in the South Okanagan-Similkameen over the next ten years. It also includes goals and actions for the short term (2021-2023), medium-term (2024-2026), and long-term (2027-2031). The report will go to the RDOS board next for approval.

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OSRHD Board (May 6)

The Board resolved to send a letter to the Minister of Health and Interior Health Authority (IHA) expressing concerns with the lack of transparency and openness with regard to the Urgent and Primary Care Centre developed at 437 Martin Street in Penticton.

The Board reconsidered a motion (from the April 15, 2021 OSRHD Board meeting) and resolved THAT should #101 – 437 Martin Street be designated a hospital, that the request for \$1,000,000 to assist with the funding of an Urgent & Primary Care Centre be approved, with funding to come from the Hospital Reserve.

RDOS Board (May 6)

Development Services

The Regional District will submit a grant application to the UBCM Local Government Development Approvals Program for the design and implementation of software to enable digital application submission and approval. The Regional District will provide a letter of support for the District of Summerland's grant application for implementation of a regional portal for development service applications.

The Board resolved to forward an application from ERBN Green Cannabis Company Inc. for a proposed non-medical retail cannabis location at 936-946 Main Street, Okanagan Falls to a public hearing.

The Board adopted Development Procedures Bylaw Amendment No. 2500.18 for ALR Exclusion requests.

The Board adopted Electoral Area "A" OCP Bylaw No. 2905, 2021 The new OCP bylaw includes a general statement of objectives and policies of the Regional District Board respecting present and proposed land use and development.

Public Works

The Board awarded the "Landfill Concrete Crushing Services" contract be awarded to Ok Excavating (a Division of Green Leaf Enterprises Ltd.) for an amount not to exceed \$115,000 per annum (including applicable taxes) for a three-year term.

Community Services

The Board awarded the "KVR Trail Improvements" project to upgrade the trail between Little Tunnel and Chute Lake be awarded to MacKinley-Clark Paving, up to the amount of \$151,435.00

Finance

The Board received the 2020 Audited Financial Statements of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen as of December 31, 2020 and adopted all reported 2020 transactions as amendments to the 2020 Final Budget.

The Board adopted Bylaw 2930, 2021, authorizing the expenditure of \$80,000 towards the construction of the Coalmont satellite fire hall and \$30,000 towards wildfire protection equipment.

Legislative Services

The Board adopted Dog Control Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 2775.01, 2021, to include reference to Electoral Area "I" in the Dog Control Service Establishment bylaw.

The Board approved Ministerial Order No. M157-2021 for the administration of the June 5, 2021 Kaleden Extension of the Okanagan Falls Sewer Service assent vote. The Order allows voters to make Oral Declarations at the assent vote and also allows for greater use of mail ballots.

The Board approved the installation of four video surveillance cameras at the Similkameen Recreation Centre. The RDOS Video Surveillance Policy was developed to ensure that the RDOS complies with the legislative requirements and outlines those areas for authorization, use and data management.

Directors Motions

The Board resolved to review the Chipping Program objectives and funding model prior to the 2022 Budget.

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Planning and Development Committee (May 20)

The Committee received a presentation about the Okanagan Food Innovation and Processing Hub from Brad Dollevoet, District of Summerland Jane Campardo, Engage People and Business Solutions Charles Cornell, Community Futures, Okanagan-Similkameen, and resolved to support the District of Summerland in its pursuit of an Okanagan Food Innovation and Processing Hub.

Environment and Infrastructure Committee

The Committee received a quarterly update from Erik Lachmuth and Jeff Wiseman with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

The Committee received an update on the Hedley Clean-up Pilot project from the RDOS Public Works. The RDOS will be coordinating a clean-up of the Hedley community where the planning and community outreach will take place in the summer/fall of 2021, with physical removal of refuse and derelict vehicles to take place in the spring of 2022.

Corporate Services Committee

The Committee received a presentation from Mitch Moroziuk who has been hired as the consultant to oversee the Public private competition process for landfill operations. During the 2021 Business Planning process, the Regional District approved a Public Private Competition for procuring a new operations contract for Campbell Mountain Landfill and Oliver Landfill. This process for obtaining the new operations contract was developed to ensure fairness and accountability. The current contract expires in May 2022.

The Committee received a presentation on Local Government Awareness Week (LGAW) initiatives including posting fun facts on social media and the production of a [video](#). The informational video features Electoral Area and Municipal Directors and outlines the roles and responsibilities of local government and the Regional District structure.

Protective Services Committee

The Committee received a presentation on the Regional Emergency Management Training and Exercise Incendiary follow-up. The Regional District received feedback from the training and exercise sessions that participants overall noted the training was valuable. Subsequent to the exercise, an application was submitted to the regional 2021 UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) program. The proposed activities include EOC refresher training, a multi-jurisdictional functional exercise, website design, improved mass emergency notification and research and implementation of a future online EOC platform that supports the regional model.

OSRHD Board (May 20)

The Board discussed the process of funding of Urgent & Primary Care Centres within the geographic area.

The Board resolved to invite Interior Health to attend an in camera meeting to share their vision and to discuss plans for primary care.

RDOS Board (May 20)

The Board approved the installation of three video surveillance cameras on the outside of the Willowbrook Fire Hall.

The Board approved Development Variance Permit for 1205 Maple Street for an accessory dwelling.

Development Services

The Board authorized an application to the Agricultural Land Commission Referral (Non-Adhering Residential Use) – 2185 Naramata Road, Electoral Area “E”

The Board adopted Zoning Bylaw No. 2911 to govern the use and placement of solar energy systems in Electoral Areas D, E, F and I.

The Board adopted amendments to Subdivision Servicing Bylaw No. 2000 that require connection of parcels within a sewer system, and exempt large parcels from the requirement to prove water.

Public Works

The Board awarded the “Naramata Village Liquid Waste Management Plan” project to McElhanney Ltd. in the amount of \$89,949 plus tax; and a contingency for the project be established in the amount of \$20,000.

The Board authorized the Regional District entering into a Gas Line Right-of-Way agreement with the City of Penticton (the “City”) and FortisBC Energy Inc. (Fortis) to permit FortisBC to construct a gas line main through the CMLF Lease on the following conditions: 1. that Fortis fund all expenses for a risk assessment, legal fees and mitigation activities to protect the RDOS and the City from installation of the Works; 2. that a connection on the proposed high pressure gas main crossing at Reservoir Road be provided to the RDOS for a future natural gas generation project at no expense to the Regional District.

Community Services

The Board awarded a contract for the Similkameen Community Centre – Bowling Lane upgrades for supply and installation of a new electronic bowling lane scoring/entertainment system be awarded to Buffa Distribution up to the amount of \$55,216.06, exclusive of GST.

Legislative Services

The Board adopted the updated RDOS Communications Policy to clarify that the Electoral Area Director as the primary spokesperson on matters pertaining specifically to that electoral area, while the Chair is the primary spokesperson on regional matters.

The Board appointed the following residents as members of the Area “D” Service and Boundary Configuration Study Committee: Bob Daly, Kay Medland, David Forst, Matt Taylor, Eleanor Walker, Myleen Mallach, Kerrie MacLean, Phyllis Radchenko, Kurt Hiebert and Vi Creasy.

The Board supported the 2020 RDOS Communications and Public Engagement project to be considered for the 2021 UBCM Community Excellence Awards.

Next Board and Committee meeting: Thursday, June 17, 2021.

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Karla Kozakevich, Chair
Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

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