



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN
BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) Board of Directors held at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 22, 2021 in the Boardroom, 101 Martin Street, Penticton, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair K. Kozakevich, Electoral Area "E"	Director S. McKortoff, Town of Osoyoos
Vice Chair S. Coyne, Town of Princeton	Director S. Monteith, Electoral Area "I"
Director M. Bauer, Village of Keremeos	Director J. D'Andrea, Alt. Electoral Area "D"
Director G. Bush, Electoral Area "B"	Director T. Roberts, Electoral Area "G"
Director B. Coyne, Electoral Area "H"	Director J. Sentes, City of Penticton
Director R. Gettens, Electoral Area "F"	Director E. Trainer, District of Summerland
Director D. Holmes, District of Summerland	Director J. Vassilaki, City of Penticton
Director M. Johansen, Town of Oliver	Director C. Watt, City of Penticton
Director R. Knodel, Electoral Area "C"	

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Director R. Obirek, Electoral Area "D"	Director M. Pendergraft, Electoral Area "A"
Director K. Robinson, City of Penticton	

STAFF PRESENT:

B. Newell, Chief Administrative Officer	C. Malden, Manager of Legislative Services
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A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RECOMMENDATION 1 (Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority)

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Agenda for the RDOS Board Meeting of July 22, 2021 be amended by:

- Moving Item A2e Development Variance Permit application to Item B5 and removing it from the Consent Agenda; and
- Adding Item G 1 Declaration of State of Local Emergency Approval; and,
- Adding Item H1 Passive Infrastructure Technology Update.

CARRIED

1. Consent Agenda – Corporate Issues

- a. Kaleden Parks and Recreation Commission – June 15, 2021
THAT the Minutes of the June 15, 2021 Kaleden Parks and Recreation Commission be received.
- b. Corporate Services Committee – July 8, 2021
THAT the Minutes of the July 8, 2021 Corporate Services Committee meeting be received.

THAT the June 17th motion to provide budgets with a -2, 0, 2 and 3 percent budgets and provide live format to allow Directors to visually see the impact to each Service, Electoral Area and member municipality be defeated.
- c. Planning and Development Committee – July 8, 2021
THAT the Minutes of the July 8, 2021 Planning and Development Committee meeting be received.
- d. RDOS Regular Board Meeting – July 8, 2021
THAT the minutes of the July 8, 2021 RDOS Regular Board meeting be adopted.

RECOMMENDATION 2 (Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority)

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Consent Agenda – Corporate Issues be adopted. - **CARRIED**

2. Consent Agenda – Development Services

a. Development Variance Permit Application – Electoral Area “C”

i. Permit

THAT Development Variance Permit No. C2021.019-DVP to allow for an expansion of an accessory structure at 337 Road 11 in Electoral Area “C” be approved.

b. Development Variance Permit Application – Electoral Area “F”

i. Permit

THAT Development Variance Permit No. F2021.031-DVP to allow for a new accessory building garage/workshop at 2636 Forsyth Drive in Electoral Area “F” be approved.

c. Development Variance Permit Application – Electoral Area “I”

i. Permit

THAT Development Variance Permit No. I2021.021 -DVP to authorize an existing oversized bathroom in the accessory building at 137 Taggart Crescent in Electoral Area “I” be approved.

d. Development Variance Permit Application – Electoral Area “I”

i. Permit

THAT Development Variance Permit No. I2021.023-DVP to build a retaining wall in the rear setback at 445 Eastview Road in Electoral Area “I” be approved.

e. Development Variance Permit Application – 2631 Nicola Avenue, Electoral Area “H”

i. Permit

This item was removed from the Consent agenda and moved to Item B5a.

RECOMMENDATION 3 (Unweighted Rural Vote – Simple Majority)

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Consent Agenda – Development Services be adopted. - **CARRIED**

B. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES – Rural Land Use Matters

1. Agricultural Land Commission Referral (Subdivision) – Electoral Area “A”

RECOMMENDATION 4 (Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the application to the Agricultural Land Commission to permit a 2-lot subdivision on a parcel located at 8310 2nd Avenue in Electoral Area “A” (Lot 640, Plan KAP1950, District Lot 2450S, SDYD, Except Plan B3527 3705 5125 B7120, Manufactured Home Reg.# 34560) not be “authorized” to proceed.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT this application be referred to the Area “A” Advisory Planning Commission for discussion.

CARRIED

2. Renewal of Vacation Rental Temporary Use Permits (TUPs) – Public Consultation

- a. Bylaw No. 2500.20

RECOMMENDATION 5 (Unweighted Rural Vote – Simple Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 2500.20, 2021, a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Development Procedures Bylaw to remove the requirement for Vacation Rental renewals to be sent to APCs and hold Public Information Meetings, be adopted. - **CARRIED**

3. Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Electoral Areas “A”, “C”, “D”, “E”, “F”, “G”, “H” & “I”

- a. Bylaw No. 2932

RECOMMENDATION 6 (Unweighted Rural Vote – Simple Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 2932, 2021, a bylaw to amend the Secondary Suite and Accessory Dwelling Floor Area in all Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Zoning Bylaws, be adopted. - **CARRIED**

4. OCP & Zoning Bylaw Amendments – Okanagan Falls Commercial Zone Review (Okanagan Falls Town Centre Plan- Phase 3)

- a. Bylaw No. 2603.15
b. Bylaw No. 2455.38

RECOMMENDATION 7 (Unweighted Rural Vote – Simple Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 2603.15, 2021, a bylaw to amend the Electoral Area D Official Community Plan land use map and Form and Character Permit Areas map to implement the Okanagan Falls Town Centre Plan – Phase 3, be adopted;

AND THAT Bylaw 2455.38, 2021, a bylaw to amend the Electoral Area D Zoning Bylaw, be adopted.
CARRIED

5. Development Variance Permit Application – Electoral Area “H”

- i. Permit

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Development Variance Permit No. H2021.024-DVP to allow for the development of an accessory structure at 2631 Nicola Avenue in Electoral Area “H” be approved.

That this application be referred to the Electoral Area “H” Advisory Planning Commission.
CARRIED

C. PUBLIC WORKS**1. Naramata Dams Geotechnical Investigation Award**

RECOMMENDATION 8 (Weighted Corporate Vote – Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regional District award the Contract for the Naramata Dams Geotechnical Investigation project to Interior Dams Inc. in the amount of \$118,184;

AND THAT a contingency in the amount of \$40,000 be approved;

AND THAT the expenditure of up to \$158,184 be approved from Naramata Water Systems Reserve Fund to complete the required geotechnical investigation for the Naramata Dams.

CARRIED

D. COMMUNITY SERVICES**1. Award of Similkameen Rail Trail**

a. Similkameen Rail Trail Map

RECOMMENDATION 9 (Weighted Corporate Vote – Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Cawston portion of the “Similkameen Rail Trail” project be awarded to Solano Resources for up to \$154,335.00. - **CARRIED**

2. Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant

RECOMMENDATION 10 (Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regional District submit an application to the B.C. Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant for \$699,631.63 towards the development of the ‘Similkameen Rail Trail’ by converting the existing rail right of way into a non-motorized multi-use trail to connect the communities of Keremeos and Cawston. - **CARRIED**

3. Mutual Aid Agreement

a. Mutual Aid Renewal Summary

b. Agreement

RECOMMENDATION 11 (Weighted Corporate Vote – Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regional District enter into the South Okanagan Similkameen Fire Mutual Aid Agreement. **CARRIED**

4. Keremeos/Hedley Automatic Aid Agreement

a. Agreement

RECOMMENDATION 12 (Weighted Corporate Vote – Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regional District enter into a Fire and Emergency Response Automatic Aid Agreement with the Hedley Improvement District to address staff shortages at the Hedley Fire Department.

CARRIED

E. FINANCE**1. Apex Fire Hall and Fire Truck – Long Term Borrowing Bylaw No. 2937, 2021**

a. Bylaw No. 2937, 2021

RECOMMENDATION 13 (Weighted Corporate Vote – 2/3 Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 2937, 2021, being a bylaw of the Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen to borrow up to \$3,000,000 for the construction of a fire hall and purchase of a fire truck for the Apex Fire Department, be read a first, second, third time and adopted. - **CARRIED**

2. Electoral Area “E” Parkland Acquisition – Long Term Borrowing Bylaw No. 2936, 2021

a. Bylaw No. 2936, 2021

RECOMMENDATION 14 (Weighted Corporate Vote – 2/3 Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 2936, 2021, being a bylaw of the Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen to borrow up to \$900,000 for Parkland Acquisition in Electoral Area “E”, be read a first, second, third time and adopted. - **CARRIED**

F. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**1. RDOS Elected Officials Compensation**

a. Bylaw No. 2903

b. Bylaw No. 2903.01 Draft

RECOMMENDATION 15 (Weighted Corporate Vote – 2/3 Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 2903.01, 2021, being a bylaw to amend the Board Remuneration, Expense and Benefits Bylaw to facilitate electronic attendance at the same rate as in-person attendance, be read a first, second and third time and be adopted. - **CARRIED**

RECOMMENDATION 16 (Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT a review of the Board Remuneration, Expenses and Benefits Bylaw be initiated in 2021.

DEFEATED

Opposed: Directors Sentes, Bush, Monteith, Kozakevich, Gettens, Holmes, Johansen, Vassilaki, McKortoff, Roberts

2. South Okanagan Conservation Fund – for information only

The Board of Directors was advised that a 2019 grant from the South Okanagan Conservation Fund to Natures Trust has been returned due to higher than anticipated contributions from private sources for the intended project.

3. Bylaw No. 2935 Electoral Area “H” Community Facilities Capital Reserve Fund Expenditure

a. Bylaw No. 2935, 2021

RECOMMENDATION 17 (Weighted Corporate Vote – 2/3 Majority)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw No. 2935, 2021, being a bylaw to withdraw funds from the Electoral Area “H” Community Facilities Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of a building, in partnership with the Town of Princeton, be read a first, second and third time and be adopted.

CARRIED

G. CAO REPORTS

Addendum 1. Declaration of State of Local Emergency Approval

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency issued by the Chair Sunday, 11 July 2021 for Electoral Area “D” in response to the Thomas Creek Wildfire be ratified; and,

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency for Electoral Area “D” that expired July 18th be extended for a further seven days to July 25th; and,

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency for Electoral Area “D” set to expire July 25th be extended for a further seven days to August 1st; and,

THAT all declarations be submitted to the Minister of State for Emergency Preparedness for approval

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency issued by the Chair Wednesday, 14 July 2021 for Electoral Area “H” in response to the Brenda Creek Wildfire be ratified; and,

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency for Electoral Area “H” that expired July 21st be extended for a further seven days to July 28th; and,

THAT all declarations be submitted to the Minister of State for Emergency Preparedness for approval

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency issued by the Chair Monday, 19 July 2021 for Electoral Area “C” in response to the NK'Mip Creek wildfire be ratified; and,

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency for Electoral Area “C” set to expire July 26th be extended for a further seven days to August 2nd; and,

THAT all declarations be submitted to the Minister of State for Emergency Preparedness for approval

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency issued by the Chair Tuesday, 20 July 2021 for Electoral Area “A” in response to the NK'Mip Creek wildfire be ratified; and,

THAT the Declaration of a State of Local Emergency for Electoral Area “A” set to expire July 27th be extended for a further seven days to August 2nd; and,

THAT all declarations be submitted to the Minister of State for Emergency Preparedness for approval

CARRIED

2. Verbal update

H. OTHER BUSINESS

Addendum 1. Passive Infrastructure Technology Update – for information

2. Chair’s Report

3. Board Representation

- a. Developing Sustainable Rural Practice Communities - *McKortoff*
- b. Municipal Finance Authority – *Kozakevich (Chair), Coyne (Vice Chair, Alternate)*
- c. Municipal Insurance Association – *Kozakevich (Chair), Coyne (Vice Chair, Alternate)*
- d. Okanagan Basin Water Board - *McKortoff, Holmes, Knodel, Pendergraft (Alternate to McKortoff), Obirek (Alternate to Holmes), Monteith (Alternate to Knodel)*
- e. Okanagan Film Commission – *Gettens, Obirek (Alternate)*
- f. Okanagan Regional Library – *Monteith, Obirek (Alternate)*
- g. Okanagan-Kootenay Sterile Insect Release Board – *Bush, Kozakevich (Alternate)*
- h. Southern Interior Municipal Employers Association – *Knodel, Kozakevich (Alternate)*
- i. Starling Control – *Bush, Knodel (Alternate)*
- j. Fire Chief Liaison Committee – *Pendergraft, Knodel, Monteith, Obirek, Roberts*
- k. Intergovernmental Indigenous Joint Council – *Kozakevich, Coyne, Roberts*

Director S. Coyne left the meeting at 4:58 p.m.

4. Directors Motions

Motion - Director Roberts

It was MOVED and SECONDED

WHEREAS the RDOS is challenged in funding, insuring and managing cost effective locally staffed fire-flood mitigation in, on or across Crown land jurisdictions,

THAT the Board therefore petition the Federal/Provincial Governments to allow a limited amount of Gas Tax per annum to be coupled with Canada Summer Jobs and or Student Work Grants to hire management and student work force to oversee and work on local fire/flood mitigation projects on or across Crown land jurisdiction.

DEFEATED

Opposed: Director Bauer, Kozakevich, Johansen, Watt, Sentes, B. Coyne, Vassilaki, D'Andrea, Knodel, McKortoff

5. Board Members Verbal Update

I. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED
THAT the meeting adjourn. - **CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

APPROVED:

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

K. Kozakevich
RDOS Board Chair

B. Newell
Corporate Officer