

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE RDEK BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 5, 2011

Search & Rescue and RCMP Thanked

The Board of Directors acknowledged the outstanding efforts of Search and Rescue volunteers and the members of the RCMP involved in the recent search for a missing Area C resident. The Board recognized the tireless efforts and tremendous coordination between all those involved in the search. The search was successful and the missing woman is now home.

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Board Chair

Lake Windermere - Lake Management Committee

In partnership with the District of Invermere, a Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Lake Management Committee for Lake Windermere has been approved by the RDEK. The creation of the Lake Management Committee is a key recommendation in the recently completed Lake Windermere Management Plan. The Committee will lead a variety of tasks associated with implementing the management plan including a water quality monitoring program and public education around lake use and development. As part of the TOR, the Board of the Lake Windermere Ambassadors has been appointed as the Lake Management Committee.

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Manager of Planning & Development Services

Baynes Lake Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw Adopted

The first Official Community Plan and zoning bylaw for the Baynes Lake area were adopted by the Board. The bylaws are the result of an extensive planning and public consultation process that occurred over the past two years. The OCP establishes a long range vision for land use change in the community and the zoning bylaw implements the plan through the regulation of development.

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St. Mary Lake Development

The Board gave third reading to OCP and zoning bylaw amendments for the Kimberley rural area to re-designate land on the east shore of St. Mary Lake to facilitate the creation of 15 rural residential parcels and parkland.

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RDEK Supports RDCK Proposed Recycling Amendments

A letter will be sent to the Minister of Environment supporting the position of the Regional District of Central Kootenay on the proposed amendments to the Recycling Regulation and requesting a meeting be held in the Kootenays. Some of the issues raised by the RDCK include inadequate servicing levels in rural areas and the complexity of the product stewardship programs.

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Environmental Services Manager

Wendy Booth Nominated for CBT Board

The RDEK has nominated Electoral Area F Director Wendy Booth to the Columbia Basin Trust Board of Directors for a one-year term.

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MOU to be Negotiated with RDCK for Waste Assessment

The RDEK and RDCK will negotiate a Memorandum of Understanding to assess collaboration on solid waste service delivery between the Central Subregion and the Creston area.

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Elk Valley Mine Tax Supports Elkford Community Centre

The District of Elkford will receive \$10,000 from the Electoral Area A Mine Tax Sharing Funds to go toward the purchase of new chairs for the community centre.

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Electoral Area A Director

Meetings with Ministers Requested at UBCM Convention

The RDEK has requested meetings with the Ministers of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, Environment, and Community, Sport and Cultural Development at the upcoming 2011 UBCM Convention to discuss a range of topics related to RDEK projects and other issues important to the region.

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Bylaw 2307 - Dicken Road Development

After reviewing the report of the July 27th public hearing on the bylaw, the Board considered and defeated a motion to give third reading to Bylaw No. 2307. The proposed amendment to the Elk Valley Zoning Bylaw would have created a 55 lot rural residential development near Dicken Road north of Fernie. In its discussion, the Board noted concerns about the location and affordability aspects of the development.

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Discretionary Grants in Aid (DGIA)

The City of Cranbrook will receive \$1000 from the Electoral Area C DGIA Account to go toward their Mosquito Control Program.

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Electoral Area C Director

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday

Committee Meetings

September 1, 2011

TBA

Friday

Regional District of East Kootenay
 Board Meeting

September 2, 2011

9:00 am

Other RDEK Happenings

Public Hearings:

Tuesday, August 16, 2011—4:00pm

RDEK Board Room, Cranbrook

Bylaw 2332—Fort Steele—Bull River Land Use Bylaw, No. 1804, 2005—Amendment Bylaw No. 10, 2011 (Miscellaneous Amendments / RDEK)

Monday, August 22, 2011—4:00pm

Hosmer Community Centre, Hosmer

Bylaw 2326—Elk Valley Zoning Bylaw No. 829, 1990—Amendment Bylaw No. 56, 2011 (Miscellaneous Amendments / RDEK)

Other Items of Interest:

RDEK Derelict Vehicle Round Up

The RDEK still has spaces in our old vehicle round up. NO buses, dump trucks or assorted auto parts. Deadline to get your name on the list is **September 2, 2011**. Call Lynne Newhouse at the RDEK at 250-489-6900 or 1-888-478-7335 for more information or to request a registration form. Forms can be downloaded at www.rdek.bc.ca.

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