



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL OKANAGAN  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
AGENDA**

**8:30 am (following a Governance & Services Committee Meeting)**

**Thursday, March 10, 2016  
Woodhaven Board Room**

**Pages**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
  2. **ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS**
  3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**  
**Recommended Motion:**  
**THAT the agenda be adopted**
  4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
    - 4.1 **Regular Board Meeting Minutes - February 22, 2016** **1 - 8**  
**Recommended Motion:**  
**THAT the Regular Board meeting minutes of February 22, 2016 be adopted.**
  5. **CORRESPONDENCE**
    - 5.1 **Letter Minister Polak - Zebra/Quagga Mussels (All Directors - Unweighted Vote - LGA 802.1)** **9 - 10**  
**Recommended Motion:**  
**THAT the letter dated February 11, 2016 from Minister Polak to follow up on the meeting at 2015 UBCM Convention regarding zebra/quagga mussels be received for information.**
    - 5.2 **Letter Minister Stone - Expansion of Transit Services (All Directors - Unweighted Vote - LGA 802.1)** **11 - 12**  
**Recommended Motion:**  
**THAT the letter dated February 22, 2016 from Minister Stone regarding expansion of transit services be received for information.**
    - 5.3 **Financial Support for 2016 SILGA Convention (All Directors - Unweighted Vote - LGA 802.1)** **13 - 15**

Recommended Motion:

THAT the Board approve a GOLD (Option 1) sponsorship to the 2016 SILGA Convention in the amount of \$6,000 to be paid out of Regional Board Administration - 001.

**6. PARK SERVICES**

**6.1 Proposed Regional Trails Service (All Directors - Unweighted Vote - LGA 208.1) 16 - 22**

Recommended Motion:

THAT the Regional Board approve deferring consideration of a new Regional Trails Service Program at this time.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**7.1 Central Okanagan West Grant in Aid Request (All Directors - Unweighted Vote - LGA 208.1) 23 - 24**

Recommended Motion:

THAT the Board approve a Central Okanagan West Electoral Area grant in aid in the amount of \$1,500 for the North Westside Communities Association for their Easter Egg Hunt & festivities and Canada Day event.

**7.2 KLO Sportsfield Lease Renewal (All Directors - Unweighted Vote - LGA 208.1) 25 - 30**

Recommended Motion:

THAT the Board approve renewing the KLO Sportsfields lease agreement with the City of Kelowna for a three (3) year term, effective April 1, 2016, with a Right of First Refusal to the City of Kelowna for the subsequent renewal of the lease.

**8. DIRECTOR ITEMS**

**9. ADJOURN**



February 23, 2016

Gail Given, Chair  
Regional District of Central Okanagan  
1450 KLO Road  
Kelowna BC V1W 3Z4

Reference: 253807

ggiven@kelowna.ca

Dear Chair Given:

**Re: Expansion of Transit Services**

I am writing to update you on the actions that this government has taken in Budget 2016 to enhance transit services across British Columbia by \$12.7 million over the next three years. These investments ensure that B.C. continues to lead the nation in its level of funding support for transit services and contribute to our goals of increased mobility within and between communities, as well as contributing to the province's greenhouse gas reduction targets. Over 50 million trips were made on BC Transit buses last year, and we expect that number to continue to rise as we work together to improve and expand services across the province.

Last October, we made amendments to the *British Columbia Transit Act* that ensured that the base funding provided in Budget 2015 could be used most efficiently, allowing BC Transit and its partner communities to capitalize on low fuel prices and reinvest these savings in transit services in their communities.

In December, it was my pleasure to announce the five point action plan to improve safety and mobility along Highway 16. As part of this action plan, we will be investing \$1.6 million over the next two years to improve inter-community services along this key northern corridor. We are working closely with First Nations and local government leaders along Highway 16 to implement these vital services and hope to have buses on the road as soon as possible.

As well, over the next three years, the Province will be investing an additional \$11.1 million to not only maintain transit and HandyDART services in BC Transit communities, but to increase them. Communities that have made requests to BC Transit in the past for expanded services should be hearing from their local transit planners in the near future to discuss their past requests.

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Increasing funding is only one side of the equation, however. The Ministry of Finance will soon be releasing their Crown Agency Review of BC Transit. As I have mentioned in previous letters, my expectation is that this review will contribute to a dialogue amongst the partners in each community through the identification of revenue opportunities as well as efficiencies, ensuring each transit community reflects best practices. This review will position the Province, local governments and contracted service providers to play their part in managing costs and optimizing revenues as local service priorities are considered.

I look forward to working with BC Transit and all its partner communities as we continue to invest, innovate, and work together to deliver the world-class transit services that British Columbians have come to expect from us.

Sincerely,



Todd G. Stone  
Minister

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BC Transit

Manuel Achadinha, President and CEO  
BC Transit

Grant Main  
Deputy Minister

Lindsay Kislock, Assistant Deputy Minister  
Partnerships Department