

Minutes of the *REGULAR BOARD MEETING* of the Regional District of Central Okanagan held at Regional District Offices, 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna, B.C. on Monday, February 22, 2016

Directors: J. Baker (District of Lake Country)
C. Basran (City of Kelowna)
W. Carson (Central Okanagan West Electoral Area)
M. DeHart (City of Kelowna)
D. Findlater (City of West Kelowna)
C. Fortin (District of Peachland)
G. Given (City of Kelowna)
T. Gray (City of Kelowna)
P. Hanson (Central Okanagan East Electoral Area)
D. Ophus (City of West Kelowna)
B. Sieben (City of Kelowna)
L. Stack (City of Kelowna)

Absent: C. Derickson (Westbank First Nation)

Staff: B. Reardon, Chief Administrative Officer
R. Fralick, Manager of Planning
M. Kopp, Director of Parks Services
M. Rilkoﬀ, Director of Financial Services
B. Smith, Communications
M. Drouin, Manager - Corporate Services (recording secretary)

Presentations: Chair Given presented 25 Year Services Awards on behalf of the Province of BC to Wilson's Landing Fire Department members: Dale Zeich who served for a total of 28 years; and Stan Rotinsky who joined the department in 2001 after serving in Elkford from 1972-1986.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Given called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS**

No additional items

3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

#42/16 **FINDLATER/BAKER**

THAT the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED Unanimously

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

4.1 Regular Board Meeting – February 11, 2016 (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

#43/16

FORTIN/OPHUS

THAT the Regular Board Meeting minutes of February 11, 2016 be adopted.

CARRIED Unanimously

5. DELEGATION

5.1 Southern Interior Beetle Action Coalition – Gord Borgstrom, SIBAC Consultant (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

Following receipt in late 2015 from SIBAC, the Regional District asked for a follow-up delegation to present on the future of the Coalition. Gord Borgstrom was in attendance and presented the following:

- Background of SIBAC and the member organizations involved were highlighted: nine regional districts and tribal councils.
- Mountain pine beetle mitigation plan was produced in October 2009 with 24 recommendations
- SIBAC's focus for the last three years (\$3mil in provincial funding support for projects) included: support local economic development projects; develop and fund regional capacity building projects; and develop and complete rural research, education and advocacy activities
- Key challenges noted in some smaller rural communities.
- The future focus for SIBAC (2016 to 2018) include:
 - Continue to serve as an effective voice on rural issues
 - Connect rural communities to resources
 - Act as an effective catalyst to advance rural development
 - Continue to research and advocate for new rural initiatives and policies
 - Organize and host 'Keeping it Rural 2017'
 - Host workshops/webinars on rural topics
 - Facilitate development of local rural investment funds
 - Lead the development of a rural intern project

Discussion:

- The organization has evolved into something much greater than pine beetle, has the Board looked at a name change to better focus on what is actually being focused on now. The Board is reviewing this issue.
- What makes the work SIBAC is involved with different than ie: regional economic development offices, SILGA or UBCM? SIBAC is now focusing on small rural areas with little capacity for economic development. In addition, a large First Nation leadership is involved in the rural development initiatives.
- What happens when provincial money runs out? The Board has discussed possible future funding initiatives. The provincial money will be used over the next three years but for a long-standing entity--possible endowment funds. The Board will be looking at models of funding over the next three years.

#44/16

FORTIN/CARSON

THAT the Southern Interior Beetle Action Coalition (SIBAC) update be received for information.

CARRIED Unanimously

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- 6.1 Okanagan Basin Water Board Highlights – February 4, 2016 (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

#45/16 FINDLATER/BAKER

THAT the Okanagan Basin Water Board meeting highlights of February 4, 2016 be received for information.

CARRIED Unanimously

- 6.2 Sterile Insect Release Board Highlights – February 5, 2016 (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

#46/16 STACK/OPHUS

THAT the Sterile Insect Release Board meeting highlights of February 5, 2016 be received for information.

CARRIED Unanimously

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES

Planning

- 7.1 Report regarding Okanagan Basin Water Board Initiative Grants (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

Staff report dated February 10, 2016 outlined the grant applications for OBWB. The OBWB Water Conservation and Quality Improvement Grant Program is intended to encourage innovative and collaborative projects that promote more uniform standards and best practices. Projects are to address water issues, increase knowledge sharing and enhance the valley-wide sustainable use of water. OBWB requires a local government resolution to ensure that the proposed project is consistent with water management objectives and reflects community values.

#47/16 OPHUS/BAKER

THAT the Regional Board endorse the following applications for the Okanagan Basin Water Board Water Conservation and Quality Improvement Grant Program;

- RDCO – Westshore Estates Leak Detection
- RDCO – Regional Floodplain Management Project – Phase 2
- RDCO – Updated Okanagan Lake Foreshore Inventory Mapping
- Mission Creek Restoration Initiative – MCRI Demonstration Project Monitoring
- Ocoela Fish and Game Club – Conservation App
- Okanagan Collaborative Conservation Program – Boating Capacity Study for Kalamalka and Wood Lake

- UBC – Okanagan – The Social Life of Water in the Okanagan Valley: Past, Present and Future
- Black Mountain Irrigation District – Re-instate Pearson Creek Hydrometric Station

AND FURTHER THAT the endorsements be forwarded to the Okanagan Basin Water Board as part of the application process.

CARRIED Unanimously

7.2 Development Variance Permit Application for S. & J. Greenwood (owners) c/o Kelbrook Construction Corp. (agent) to allow a variance to Zoning Bylaw No. 871 to permit the siting of a proposed single detached house adjacent to Westside Place and Okanagan Lake (VP-15-03) Central Okanagan West Electoral Area (*Electoral Areas, West Kelowna & Kelowna Fringe Areas*)

Staff report dated February 15, 2016 outlined the variance permit to reduce the front setback of a proposed single detached house. The owners intend to demolish the current house and are requesting approval for the location to construct a new home.

Staff reviewed the variance. Agency referral comments were highlighted. Technical issues, including the retaining wall in the riparian area, will be addressed in conjunction with the building permit and Development Permit. Four letters of support have been received.

The landowner's agent, Ron Petkau (Kelbrook Construction), addressed the question what a stage 3 septic system is. It is the highest level septic system. A type 3 system must be designed by a professional engineer.

Chair Given asked if there was anyone in the gallery who deemed their property affected by the variance. There was no one.

#48/16

CARSON/OPHUS

THAT Development Variance Permit Application VP-15-03 for S. & J. Greenwood, located at 2323 Westside Place, to vary Section 7.1.4 of Zoning Bylaw No. 871 by allowing a reduction of the minimum front setback from 4.5 m (14.76 ft.) to 1.48 m (4.86 ft.) to permit the siting of a proposed single detached house, based on the December 21, 2015, Plot Plan by Runnalls Denby, be approved.

CARRIED Unanimously

8. FINANCIAL SERVICES

8.1 2015 Year In Review Surplus Deficits (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

Staff report dated February 17, 2016 outlined the 2015 surplus-deficits for the various services the Regional District provides. Staff reviewed the report noting that many of the deficits have already been dealt with by the Board. The new water rates will address deficits in the Falconridge and Trepanier Bench Water Systems. It was noted that surplus/deficits must remain within its' own service.

A video highlighting some of 2015 accomplishments in the various service areas was shown.

#49/16 **BAKER/STACK**

THAT the Board receive for information the 2015 Year In Review financial surplus deficits report.

CARRIED Unanimously

9. CORPORATE SERVICES

9.1 Dog Control Revenues 2010 - 2015 and Dog Licensing 2003 – 2015 Update
(All Directors – Unweighted Vote)

Staff report dated February 16, 2016 outlined dog control service revenues from 2010 through to 2015 show a reduction in tax requisitions: 2010 – 65.13% to 2015 – 54.05%. During this same period of time licensing increased from 11,155 to 21,707.

#50/16 **FORTIN/GRAY**

THAT the Regional Board receive for information the Dog Control Revenues 2010-2015 Actuals and Dog Licenses issued 2003 – 2015.

CARRIED Unanimously

9.2 Amendments to the Responsible Dog Ownership Bylaw No. 1343 (All Directors – Unweighted Vote)

Staff report dated February 9, 2016 outlined proposed amendments to the Responsible Dog Ownership Bylaw.

- Increase in number of dogs permitted from 2 to 3
- increase in licensing for nuisance, aggressive and dangerous dogs
- nuisance and aggressive dog owners given a 'second chance' to control their dogs
- increasing fines for at-large dogs, fail to leash in public and in on-leash parks
- increase in fines for dangerous dogs.

Staff provided an overview of the amendments. Discussion ensued regarding the proposed increase in the number of dogs per house or dwelling unit from two to three.

#51/16 **BASRAN/CARSON**

THAT the Regional Board approves the increase in the number of dogs allowed per house or dwelling unit from two to three.

CARRIED (Opposed: Findlater, Ophus)

#52/16 BASRAN/STACK

THAT Regional District of Central Okanagan Responsible Dog Ownership Amendment Bylaw No. 1385, 2016 be given first, second and third readings and adopted.

CARRIED (Opposed: Findlater, Ophus)

9.3 Amendments to RDCO Ticket Information and Utilization Bylaw No. 435 & RDCO Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 1326

Staff report dated February 9, 2016 outlined the proposed amendments to the two ticketing bylaws. Increases in fines are for dogs at large, owners failing to leash, owners failing to maintain visual sight and verbal control of their dog when in an off-leash park, and dangerous dogs. A fine structure is introduced for the newly adopted RDCO Water Systems Regulations Bylaw No. 1370. Increased fines from \$100 to \$1000 were proposed for the RDCO Prohibited Animal Bylaw No. 1028.

Staff recommended an increase for Section 37 - Dangerous Dog in Prohibited Area fine from \$200 to \$500. In discussion, it was agreed that the fine should be increased to \$1,000, similar to the other fines related to dangerous dogs. For the safety of the public, dangerous dogs should never be allowed in the prohibited areas which include parks, schools grounds, sports fields, playgrounds, public beaches, swimming areas, and off-leash parks.

#53/16 OPHUS/BAKER

THAT Regional District of Central Okanagan Ticket Information and Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 1386, 2016 be given first, second and third readings and adopted, as amended:

- Section 37 Dangerous Dog in Prohibited Area increase fine from \$500 to \$1,000

CARRIED Unanimously

#54/16 OPHUS/BAKER

THAT Regional District of Central Okanagan Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 1387, 2016 be given first, second and third readings and adopted, as amended:

- Section 37 Dangerous Dog in Prohibited Area increase fine from \$500 to \$1,000

CARRIED Unanimously

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 2016 Conventions – Electoral Area Director Approval to Attend (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

#55/16

BAKER/DEHART

THAT the Regional Board approve Director Hanson and Director Carson's attendance to the 2016 SILGA, FCM and UBCM Conventions including registration and travel expenses as per Board Policy No. 7.15.

CARRIED Unanimously

11. DIRECTOR ITEMS (*items for information*)

- Chair Given highlighted that the 2015 Annual Report has been produced. Copies were circulated. It has been posted on the RDCO website.
- Director Findlater noted that there have been disabled accessibility issues raised regarding the parking lot at the Shannon Lake Regional Park. Staff will follow-up. In addition, he noted that West Kelowna has received a letter from the Province regarding the Off-Road Vehicle Act. The CAO confirmed the RDCO received the same letter.
- Director Carson noted there is a 'spring fling' being held at the Killiney Beach Community Hall on March 12.
- Director Fortin raised the issue again regarding the possibility of extending the fall yard waste pickup, as well as increasing yard waste pickup once per week. It was noted that residents can purchase additional yard waste carts.

#56/16

STACK/FINDLATER

THAT staff be directed to review as part of the 2015 Service Review for Solid Waste Management the implications of extending the yard waste season later in the fall, in addition to the possibility of increasing the frequency of yard waste pickup to once per week and report back to the Board.

CARRIED Unanimously

- Director Stack asked how Kelowna's landfill ended up being the only landfill in the region. It was noted that there was a previous landfill site on the Westside but has been closed as capacity was reached (the final closure plan has not yet been approved by the Province). Over the years consideration has been given to possible other sites but there were none feasible and the Kelowna site has extended years of service left in it.

12. ADJOURN IN CAMERA

#57/16

BASRAN/SIEBEN

THAT pursuant to Section 90 (1)(k)(o) of the *Community Charter* the Regional Board adjourn and convene to a closed to the public meeting to discuss:

1. 90(1)(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal (regional district) service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council (Board), could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality (regional district) if they were held in public.
2. 90(1)(o) the consideration of whether the authority under section 91 [*other persons attending closed meeting*] should be exercised in relation to a council (Regional Board) meeting.

CARRIED Unanimously

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 9:40 p.m.

The Board rose from In Camera at 10:00 p.m. to report.

RDCO Strategic Priorities Plan

The Plan guides the Board and provides direction for staff in six strategic priority areas: proactive and responsive governance; ensuring asset, service and financial sustainability; nurturing responsible growth and development; protecting and promoting the environment and lifestyle; championing communications and engagement. The Plan also outlines strategic initiatives in each of the priority areas.

#58/16

STACK /BAKER

THAT the Regional Board approve the amended 2015-2018 Strategic Priorities Plan.

CARRIED Unanimously

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 10:01 p.m.

CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT

G. Given (Chair)

B. Reardon (Director of Corporate Services)