

The Board Reports

Regional District of Central Okanagan
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Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting – November 12, 2015

Curbside Collection Contract Extended

The Regional Board has approved a three year extension to the curbside garbage, recycling and yard waste collection contract for approximately 1,600 households receiving the service in the Central Okanagan East and Central Okanagan West Electoral Areas. The contract with OK Environmental Waste Services maintains the current pricing, terms and conditions through the end of April 2019 with a projected cost of \$605,000. Each of the four municipalities has agreed to extend their curbside collection contract for another three years.

Water Rates and System Bylaws

The Regional Board has adopted individual bylaws for each of its six water systems which outline increases and restructuring of basic fees and consumption rates. The new rates take effect January 1st and are designed to encourage conservation and be more equitable for low and medium water users. They will also generate sufficient revenues to cover the full operating costs of providing service and will help keep each system financially sustainable. Water customers provided feedback on the new rates during open houses last spring.

Sunset Ranch Sewer Rate Adjusted

The Regional Board has adopted an amendment to the Central Okanagan East Sewer Systems Bylaw which provides sanitary sewer service to properties in the Sunset Ranch strata community. The annual rate of service for each household will increase starting January 2016 by approximately 12% (\$38.52) in order to offset additional operating expenses and costs from the City of Kelowna. The amended bylaw also includes a 4% late payment penalty to encourage customers to pay their quarterly invoices on time.

Solid Waste Bylaw Late Fee Amendment

The Regional Board has adopted an amendment to the Solid Waste Management Regulation Bylaw. It adds a four per cent late payment penalty to encourage customers to keep their accounts up to date.

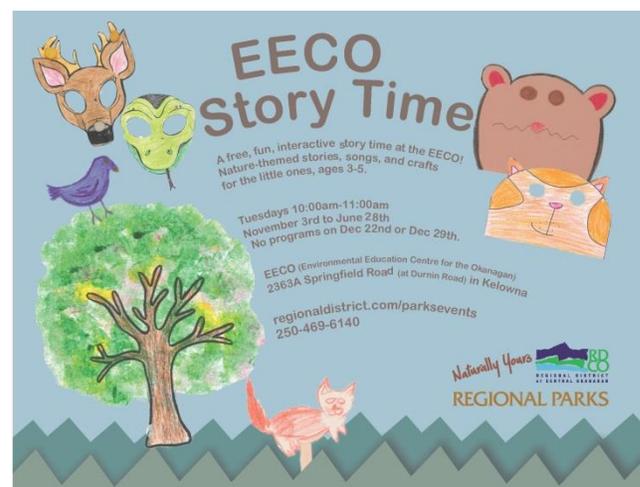
Environmental Advisory Commission

The Regional Board has appointed one new person and re-appointed three members of the Environmental Advisory Commission. Serving her first three year term is Mary Ann Olson-Russello while Melony Catana, Rose Gunoff and Pete Spencer have been appointed to a second, three year term. The independent Commission volunteers represent a diverse background of environmental professions, practise and experience which provides expert advice to the Regional Board on environmental issues relating to land use and development applications.

Regional Board Meetings

Regional District office – 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna (Woodhaven Board Room). Residents are welcome to attend.

- **Thursday, November 19th - Special Board meeting – 10:00 am** (Consideration of censure/sanctions – Regional Board Director)
- **Monday, November 23rd – 7:00 pm**
- **Monday, December 7th – 7:00 pm** - Inaugural Meeting



The Board Report is published monthly after each regular meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Okanagan. The Regional Board meets once a month in regular session in the Woodhaven Board Room at the Regional District office, 1450 KLO Road. The public is welcome to attend.