Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting – July 14, 2016

**Lebanon Creek Greenway Contract**
The Regional Board has approved a contract with the City of Kelowna for the operation and maintenance of city owned lands linking Lebanon Creek Greenway and Johns Family Nature Conservancy regional parks. It’s envisioned that a linear recreational corridor will be created from a Lakeshore Road property owned by the RDCO to the Johns Family Nature Conservancy property. This partnership agreement is similar to the one between the City and Regional District for the Mission Creek Greenway which is operated and maintained as a regional park. The contract is subject to approval by Kelowna City Council.

**Temporary Use Permit Renewed**
The Regional Board has given conditional approval to renew a Temporary Use Permit (TUP) for an additional three years to allow temporary farm worker housing on an agricultural property within the Central Okanagan East Electoral Area. The TUP renewal permit allows up to 14 temporary farm workers to live in temporary accommodation on a farm at 2711 Lakha Road. The renewal requires the applicant to meet a number of conditions identified by the Community Services Planning department.

**Crime Stoppers Service Conversion**
The Regional Board has given three readings to a proposed Crime Stoppers Conversion and Establishment Bylaw. As well, the Board has approved using the Alternative Approval Process to confirm elector support. The existing Crime Stoppers program was initially established in 1988 by the Regional Board as a grant-in-aid under the Statutory Letters Patent. The Board now wishes to convert the program to a regional service delivery program. The bylaw will be submitted for approval by the Provincial Government. Once approval is received, staff will provide a report to the Board outlining details of the Alternative Approval Process this fall. If least 10% of the eligible electorate does not support establishing a regional Crime Stoppers service, the Regional Board would not consider adopting the bylaw without first putting it to a referendum.

**RDCO-WFN Community Forum Funding**
The Regional Board has received a letter from the Union of BC Municipalities and First Nations Summit confirming funding under the Community to Community forum program. The Regional District will receive a grant totalling $4,975 to assist with the cost of hosting a half day Cultural Sites Protection Forum with the Westbank First Nation. It’s hoped with the participation of both the Westbank First Nation Council and Regional Board there will be an understanding of options for a joint management strategy to protect Okanagan syilx cultural features/sites within RDCO Regional Parks.

Audio of the meeting is available at: https://www.regionaldistrict.com/media/206733/16_07_14brd.mp3

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

- **Monday, July 25th** – 7:00 pm
- **Monday, August 22nd** – 7:00 pm
- **Thursday, September 8th** – following 8:30 am Governance and Services Committee 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.

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