



The Board Reports

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Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting—July 29, 2002

Partial Success In Gaming Lobby

At the meeting of March 2001, the Regional Board passed a motion requesting the Union of BC Municipalities and the Okanagan Mainline Municipal Association to lobby the Provincial Government to have the Terms and Conditions for Charitable Gaming and Access to Gaming Revenue revised. At the time, changes to the Provincial Legislation prevented the use of charitable gaming proceeds for capital projects such as kiosks or safe harbours. At last night's meeting, the Board received a letter from the Provincial government advising that as of April 2002 the legislation was changed to recognize that capital projects are eligible uses of gaming proceeds. However, in the response from the Province, they also point out that the Criminal Code of Canada states that charitable gaming proceeds can only be used for charitable or religious purposes.

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Lakeshore Land Sale Not Supported

In response to a referral report from Land and Water BC, the Regional Board has moved not to support a proposal to sell 80 recreational and 6 commercial lease lots on 13 domestic water storage and reservoir lakes. However, the Board did direct staff to embark on a joint planning exercise with Land and Water BC to consider the sale of other Crown Lands to address the interests of each organization, and alternatively, that the Regional District work with water purveyors in assuming greater management of upland water reservoirs. The Board also requested that the Planning Services Report on this issue be circulated to other local governments and interested parties.

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Support for Upgrading Old Ferry Dock

The Regional Board lent its support to a referral application from Land & Water BC to lease and upgrade the old ferry dock on the Westside for use as a dry dock. The Board included provisions that it will not restrict public access, that best environmental practises are in place along with adequate controls for operation and restricted use from May to October. The Board recommended a two-year lease to allow to for a review at the end of two years. They also asked that Westbank First Nation, Lakeview Irrigation and the City of Kelowna be contacted to confirm that the proposal does not impact on existing or future water servicing requirements.

The dry dock would be used for handling larger commercial vessels for their yearly inspection as now required by the Canadian Coast Guard.

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ALR Application Heard

The Regional Board will forward an application for exclusion from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) to the Land Reserve Commission (LRC) without a specific recommendation, but with the soils reports and the public correspondence received on the matter. The LRC is a provincial agency responsible for decisions regarding the removal of land from the ALR. The application under consideration is to exclude close to 3 acres of a 25-acre parcel from the ALR. Should the Land Reserve Commission approve the exclusion application, the owner's intent is to develop 11 agri-tourist accommodation units in the form of single detached dwellings and duplexes.

However, if the land is excluded, the future land use would still need to be evaluated in conjunction with the Official Community Plan and zoning on the property, as with any development application.

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Joint Venture for Rutland Waterworks and RDCO

The Regional Board gave approval for Rutland Water Works to construct an exploratory water well within Mission Creek Regional Park by Gertsmar Road. As previously discussed by the Board in April of this year, the Regional District staff have been working with Rutland Waterworks to expand an existing well/pump house facility and compound to incorporate a second well. The Board gave approval to the exploratory well and requested that Rutland Waterworks be responsible for notifying the Rutland Residents Association and residents in the vicinity. If the water well is viable, the project also includes the installation of public washroom facilities as part of the new construction.

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Kalamoier Park Gets Good Grades

The Regional Board adopted a report from H.I.S. Ventures Ltd. on the wildlife/urban interface fire hazard and fuel modification assessments for Kalamoier Regional Park. Kalamoier Park is a natural conservation type regional park located on the shores of Lake Okanagan in the Lakeview Heights area. The report states that Kalamoier Regional Park represents a low to moderate fire

risk and pointed out three specific steps to reduce any potential fire hazard:

- Construct a fuel break at the North Boundary by Casa Loma Road
- Ensure pathways and roadways are regularly cleared of brush and fallen debris
- Place warning signs out during periods of high or extreme hazard

The Board also recommended that a Fire Safe Community Workshop be presented to residents located adjacent to Kalamo Regional Park to reduce the spread of wildfire in their neighbourhoods.

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Mount Boucherie Expansion Phase II Moves Ahead

The Regional Board gave approval to the Phase II Concept Plan for the Mount Boucherie Master Plan that calls for the addition of a second sheet of ice at the Mount Boucherie Arena. The Board also requested that staff explore the potential for any public and private partnership opportunities and that financial options be fully explored. A business plan with this information will be brought back for the Board's consideration at a future date.

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Sludge Handling Gets Upgrade

The Regional Board gave approval to a quote from Maddocks Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$127,173 plus taxes for the structural work for the sludge handling upgrade at the Westside Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant. The bid from Maddocks Construction was the lowest of three bids received.

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