



The Board Reports

Regional District of Central Okanagan
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Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting—Feb 10, 2003

Board Reviews Purchase of Fire Trucks for Joe Rich Area

In follow up to a request of the Regional Board at its January 27th meeting, a technical committee comprised of the regional fire chiefs, reviewed and provided recommendations whether or not to proceed with purchasing a third fire truck for the Joe Rich Fire Protection District.

The Board reviewed the recommendations and agreed to have the Regional District's Administrator and representatives of the technical committee meet with the manufacturer to determine the status of the current order, options for modifications and report back to the Board with recommendations.

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Administrator

Building Statistics Continue to Rise

There were 64 permits issued during January 2003 with a total construction value of \$4,416,983. The majority of the permits were for single-family dwellings. In January, 63 permits were completed with a total construction value of \$3,891,536.

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Director of Inspection Services

Site Concept and Development Plan for Gellatly Nut Farm

The Regional Board approved the completion of an agreement for contracting the services of Forecon Consulting Services to complete a study for the preparation of a Site Concept Plan and Site Development Plan for Gellatly Nut Farm. The contract's value is for \$44,735.

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Planning and Design Manager

Regional Parks Advisory Committee to participate in Special Parks District Forum

Members of the Regional Parks Advisory Committee will participate in a Special Parks District Forum hosted jointly by the Capital and Greater Vancouver Regional Districts in June 2003. The Forum provides a unique opportunity for members to participate in discussions and tours related to the delivery of regional parks services. The event is held annually throughout North America.

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Director of Parks & Recreation

Westside Road Upgrading Project

The Regional Board consented to a road dedication of approximately 1500 square meters of Rose Valley Regional Park to facilitate the upgrading of Westlake Road to Ministry of Transportation design standards. The Westlake Road upgrading project is currently at the design stage with alignment options being considered to design the road to meet the required design standards for 60km/hr design speed.

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B.C. Hydro Power Smart Program

Approval was given to entering into an agreement with B.C. Hydro to participate in their Power Smart Partner Program. The Regional District has benefited in the past from energy saving devices and methods and strives to maximize the energy dollars available.

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Facilities Manager

Proclamations:

Heritage Week – February 17-23, 2003
Kinsmen and Kinettes Week – February 15-21, 2003

Regional District Art Wall

Artists from the Kelowna Palette Club are currently displaying their artwork on the Regional District artwall for the months of February/March. Artists include: Gabe Higazi, Ken Cochrane, Vicki Prince, Lori Breckenden, Carol Ursel, Betty Daft and Ilah Hockin. The Board gave special thanks to the artists for their contribution to the art wall.