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DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT

For the Board November 23, 2009

TO: Chair & Members of the Regional Board
FROM: Ron Fralick, Planner 1
DATE: November 17, 2009
SUBJECT: Agricultural Advisory Commission Membership (Our File: 0540-20-01)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Regional Board appoints Bob Fugger and Lisa Cameron to three-year terms as members of the Regional District Agricultural Advisory Commission (AAC) (expiring November 2012).

PURPOSE:

To consider appointing two new members to the Agricultural Advisory Commission (AAC) to three year terms in accord with the Agricultural Advisory Commission Terms of Reference (amended August 2006).

BACKGROUND:

The Agricultural Advisory Commission (AAC), established in 1994, is an Advisory Commission of the Regional Board. The Commission provides advice to the Board, other Commissions and staff regarding agricultural issues and the potential impact of planning decisions on agriculture.

Terms of Reference for the AAC were most recently amended in August of 2006 and indicate that the membership of the AAC shall be comprised of not less than three (3) or more than seven (7) volunteer individuals who reside within the Regional District of Central Okanagan. The membership will reflect a diversity of agricultural professions, practices, sectors and commodity groups and will include a designated representative of the provincial Ministry of Agriculture and Lands. Appointments are for a three (3) year term. A member may be re-appointed to serve a maximum of two (2) consecutive three-year terms.

The AAC recently expressed concern with regard to membership due to the recent resignation of one AAC member (four members remaining). The Commission believed it necessary to solicit the agricultural community in an attempt to gain new members. As such, Planning staff canvassed the region via news releases and notices being forwarded to various agricultural groups and organizations.

As a result of the canvass initiative, two individuals expressed interest to the Regional District in becoming members of the AAC. They are; Bob Fugger and Lisa Cameron. A brief biography of Mr. Fugger and Ms. Cameron outlining their qualifications for membership in the AAC is attached.

DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

Planning staff reviewed the submissions and based on our review, we believe that Bob Fugger and Lisa Cameron meet the relevant qualifications and experience criteria. It is recommended that the Regional Board approve the appointment of Bob Fugger and Lisa Cameron for three year terms on the Regional District Agricultural Advisory Commission (AAC).

Respectfully submitted,



Ron Fralick, MCIP
Planner 1



Dan Plamondon, Manager Development & Environmental Services

Attach:

RF/jt

Janelle Taylor

From: Bob Fugger [bob.fugger@yahoo.ca]
Sent: September 20, 2009 5:12 PM
To: Janelle Taylor
Subject: Re: Request for AAC members

Attn. Janelle Taylor:

I would like to submit my name for consideration as a member of the Central Okanagan Regional District Agricultural Advisory Commission.

I was born in Kelowna in 1946 and have always resided at 2504 Gale Rd.

From 1997 to 2007 I was employed by the Okanagan-Kootenay Sterile Insect Release Program, the last five years as General Manager.

I have served as a Director for B. C. Tree Fruits Ltd., Sun-Rype Products Ltd. and B. C. Fruit Packers Co-op.


I also served on the City of Kelowna's Advisory Planning Commission.

I operate the family farm, purchasing it from my parents in 1969. Since July 2005 the farm (orchard & garden) has been certified organic.

I currently serve as a Trustee for the Glenmore-Ellison Improvement District.

Please contact me if you require further information.

Thank you,
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Lisa Cameron
General Manager
British Columbia Wine Institute

Lisa Cameron is the General Manager of the British Columbia Wine Institute (BCWI), an association representing member wineries in all designated viticultural areas of the province of BC. The BCWI membership represents the Wines of BC (BC VQA) and over 95% of the wine production and sales in British Columbia. Ms. Cameron has been with the BCWI for over three years and has an extensive background in marketing, communications and business development from the non-profit and high-tech sectors. In addition to an MBA from Royal Roads University in Victoria, British Columbia, Ms. Cameron holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario.

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