

Minutes of the **GOVERNANCE & SERVICES COMMITTEE** meeting of the Regional District of Central Okanagan held at Regional District Offices, 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna, B.C. on Thursday, April 14, 2016

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Directors

J. Baker (District of Lake Country)  
C. Basran (City of Kelowna)  
W. Carson (Central Okanagan West Electoral Area)  
C. Hodge, alternate for M. DeHart (City of Kelowna)  
D. Findlater (City of West Kelowna)  
G. Given (City of Kelowna)  
M. Singh, alternate for T. Gray (City of Kelowna)  
P. Hanson (Central Okanagan East Electoral Area)  
C. Zanon, alternate for D. Ophus (City of West Kelowna)  
B. Sieben (City of Kelowna)  
L. Stack (City of Kelowna)

Absent:

C. Derickson (Westbank First Nation)  
C. Fortin (District of Peachland)

Staff:

B. Reardon, Chief Administrative Officer  
R. Fralick, Manager - Planning  
M. Kopp, Director of Parks Services  
C. Radford, Director of Community Services  
M. Rilkoﬀ, Director of Financial Services  
B. Smith, Communications  
M. Drouin, Manager Corporate Services (recording secretary)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Given called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

2. **ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS**

There were no late items to the agenda

3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

#GS18/16

BAKER/STACK

THAT the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED Unanimously

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

4.1 March 10, 2016 Meeting Minutes

#GS19/16

STACK/BAKER

THAT the Governance & Services Committee meeting minutes of March 10, 2016 be adopted.

CARRIED Unanimously

## 5. **DELEGATION**

### 5.1 Central Okanagan Transit Future Action Plan Project Overview Mathew Boyd, Regional Planning, and Rob Williams, BC Transit

BC Transit provided an overview of their Central Okanagan Transit Future Action Plan project including:

- 2016 service changes
  - April 24 and June 26 seasonal reductions
  - Sept 4 service reinstatement
  - No expansions or reductions overall

*Director Stack arrived at 8:40 a.m.*

- Future Action Plan
  - Healthy growth in ridership over the last year
  - Since 2014 static route level was implemented
  - Ellison area two trips per day
  - It's now time to refresh the plan in the next year or so. Five year cycle to review and update the Plan.
  - Stakeholder and public engagement will occur when reviewing the Plan. Completed customer survey earlier this month.
  - Ellison Transit Service – review completed in 2015. Service provided by #23 (Lake Country route). Low service level. Five options have been developed as part of the consultation. Discussion ongoing over the coming year.
  - Plan completion early 2017 following further consultation.
- Additional Project Updates
  - Province has announced there is further funding available over the next three years.
  - BC Transit working with local partners on expansion priorities and estimated costs.
  - UBCO Transit Exchange – highest trip generator. Capital funding options currently being developed.
  - Kelowna Transit Centre garage improvements needed to extend its life.
- Next steps
  - Continue collecting information
  - Working on Sept. 2016 schedule

#### ***Discussion:***

- Lake Country and Ellison area both looking for increased HandiDart service
  - HandiDart service was discontinued years ago in Ellison. There are only a few service areas that were grandfathered.
  - Resources will be required to reinvest in this service.
- Cost sharing between local government and the Province:
  - Conventional: Local government funds 53%; 47% province
  - Custom transit: Local government funds 67%; 33% province

- Ellison service – will need to determine how much the Ellison taxpayers want to pay for the service and how it will be funded. The specific area that receives the service pays for the service.
- John Hindle service – working with Kelowna staff to determine the service to UBC-O
- Good transit planning comes from good land use planning.
- Has there ever been discussion on transit to Westside Road? No. Transit service is not cheap – resources need to be put in the right places. This area would not be cost effective.
- Customer survey results will be posted online. New proposals would go through the election officials at each municipality (working through their staff).

#GS20/16

SINGH/HODGE

THAT the BC Transit presentation on the Central Okanagan Transit Future Action Plan be received for information.

CARRIED Unanimously

5.2 Central Okanagan Crime Stoppers Website Update - Christene Walsh, Protective Services Manager & Gerry Guilteneane, Crime Stoppers Coordinator

Crime Stopper staff were introduced to the Committee. Crime Stoppers updated its website this year [www.crimestoppers.net](http://www.crimestoppers.net). An overview was provided. The specific pages were highlighted:

- o Most Wanted – also published on other media outlets.
- o Mobile friendly.

*Director Basran arrived at 9:10 a.m.*

- o Unsolved crime.
- o Hot Recs – a take-off from hot cars. Recreational vehicles (boats, ATVs, motorcycles, trailers).
- o Missing persons
- o News – information on issues such as 'End Gang Life'; Turn in the Tagger
- o Become a Volunteer. The Board is volunteer based.
- o Sponsors and Donation section.
- o Background information of the program.
- o Submitting a tip – talk, text, type. All tips are confidential and anonymous should the tipster wish to be.

*Discussion:*

- Does the new provincial registration for ATVs make a difference in recovery? Hard to say, registration is fairly new.

- RDCO and the Society will be producing a news release advertising the new site.
- Staff work with pawn shop and RCMP coordinator.
- CRA scam, rental scams – reported to the police. May be reported to the Canadian anti-fraud site.
- When reporting crime how is the information disseminated? Tips go through RCMP liaison media person. Crime Stoppers will put information on their website.

#GS21/16

SINGH/BAKER

THAT the update on the Central Okanagan Crime Stoppers website be received for information.

CARRIED

## 6. COMMUNITY SERVICES

### 6.1 Emergency Program Act Consultation - Travis Whiting, Regional Emergency Program Coordinator (City of Kelowna Deputy Chief)

Staff report dated April 5, 2016 outlined the prepared responses for consideration of the Emergency Program Act consultation. Travis Whiting was introduced to the Committee:

- Act introduced in 1993.
- RDCOs response to specific sections was highlighted.
- The regional emergency plan is always being reviewed so operationally the plan is updated.
- Updates to the *Emergency Program Act* is critical first step, in order for our plan to match the Act.
- #3 definitions of a local government should include first nations. WFN has self-governance and West Kelowna provides fire service to WFN.

Staff noted that WFN are equal partners in the program now. How first nations are dealt with in the *Act* is with consultation to the Province, not local government.

- #9 – operationally reducing the size of evacuation area when required worked last year.
- Is there any work around additional powers regarding drones, boats in an area? Yes, there is quite a bit of work being done in regards to drones— Federal government is dealing with this area (Transport Canada, RCMP Criminal Code). There are also enforcement fines through provincial laws.

#GS22/16

BAKER/SIEBEN

THAT the Governance & Services Committee recommends the Regional Board approve the RDCO's submission of the 'Response to Prepared and Resilient EMBC

Discussion Paper' to the Province of British Columbia in response to their invitation to participate in consultation and engagement on the Emergency Program Act, subject to:

Add to Section #3:

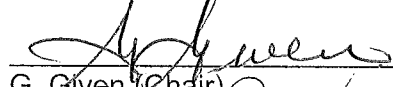
'explore broader definition of first nations which may include self-government, and band council'


CARRIED Unanimously

7. **ADJOURN**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

**CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT**

  
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G. Given (Chair)

  
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B. Reardon (Director of Corporate Services)