

**Minutes of the REGULAR BOARD MEETING of the Regional District of Central Okanagan held at Regional District Offices, 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna, B.C. on Thursday, January 12, 2012**

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Directors:

J. Baker (District of Lake Country)  
C. Basran (City of Kelowna)  
L. Stack, alternate for A. Blanleil (City of Kelowna)  
J. Edgson (Central Okanagan West Electoral Area)  
K. Fielding (District of Peachland)  
D. Findlater (District of West Kelowna)  
G. Given (City of Kelowna)  
W. Gray (City of Kelowna) *arrived at 11:22 a.m.*  
P. Hanson (Central Okanagan East Electoral Area)  
R. Hobson (City of Kelowna)  
B. Winsby, alternate for D. Ophus (District of West Kelowna)  
G. Zimmermann (City of Kelowna)  
M. Werstuik, (Westbank First Nation)

Staff:

H. Reay, Chief Administrative Officer  
M. Kopp, Director of Parks Services  
D. Plamondon, Director of Development Services  
C. Radford, Director of Environmental Services  
M. Rilkoﬀ, Director of Finance and Administrative Services  
B. Smith, Communications  
M. Drouin, Corporate Services Coordinator (recording secretary)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Hobson brought the meeting to order at 10:55 a.m.

**2. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS**

There were no late items to the agenda

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**#01/12**

**EDGSON/HANSON**

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

4.1 Statutory and Board Meeting – December 12, 2011

**#02/12**

**FINDLATER/EDGSON**

THAT the Statutory and Regular Board meeting minutes of December 12, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No Board action required/requested.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 6.1 Southern Interior Local Government Association (SILGA) – Request for representative from the RDCO to serve on SILGA Executive Board (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

In its' letter of December 7, 2011 SILGA is requesting a representative from the RDCO to serve on the SILGA Board until the AGM in April 2012. Director Hanson has served on the SILGA Board in the past and expressed an interest to do so again.

#03/12

EDGSON/BAKER

THAT the Regional Board of the Regional District of Central Okanagan supports Director Hanson's name being put forward as a board member to the SILGA Board.

CARRIED

**7. PARKS SERVICES**

- 7.1 Ministry of Community Sport and Cultural Development - Community Recreation Program Grant Applications: (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

Regional Parks has made three grant applications to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development's recreation program. Staff report dated January 4, 2012 outlined the three proposed projects for the Joe Rich community sport rink upgrade, Westshore Estates Community Park and Regional Trails to Health Project.

It was noted that projects are subject to approval of the grants—the grant funding is an 80/20% split. The alternative is to scale back the projects if grants are not received. The projects are being budgeted in 2012.

- a) Joe Rich Community Sport Rink Upgrade

It was noted that this service was only established in the last six years. Reserves need to be established for the service to ensure continuing upgrades of equipment.

#04/12

EDGSON/BAKER

THAT the Regional Board approve proceeding with the proposed Joe Rich Community Sport Rink Upgrade in conjunction with the submission of an application to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development Community Recreation Program requesting a grant valued at \$224,000 to assist in completing a project with a total value of \$280,000.

CARRIED

b) Westshore Estates Community Park Phase 2

#05/12

EDGSON/FIELDING

THAT the Regional Board approve proceeding with Westshore Estates Community Park Phase 2 capital upgrade project in conjunction with the submission of an application to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development Community Recreation Program requesting a grant valued at \$80,000 to assist in completing a project with a total value of \$100,000.

CARRIED

c) Regional Trails to Health Project

What can be done for \$50,000 if funds are not received? Not much, but that is all the parks budget can afford at this time. It is not known if we will know the grant response in time for budget discussions.

#06/12

HANSON/FINDLATER

THAT the Regional Board approve proceeding with the proposed Regional Trails to Health Project in conjunction with the submission of an application to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development Community Recreation Program requesting a grant valued at \$200,000 to assist in completing a project with a total value of \$250,000.

CARRIED

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

- 8.1 Elected Officials Seminar - January 18-20, 2012 – Approval of Registration for Directors Edgson and Hanson (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

Staff report dated January 2, 2012 outlined the information on the elected official seminar scheduled for January 18-20, 2012 in Kelowna.

#07/12

FIELDING/BAKER

THAT the registration fee of \$291.20 (per person) for Director Hanson and Director Edgson to attend the SILGA Elected Official Seminar, January 18-20, 2012 in Kelowna be approved.

CARRIED

- 8.2 Notice of Retirement – H. Reay (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

Chief Administrative Officer, Harold Reay submitted his notice of retirement effective May 31, 2012. Last working day is scheduled for April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**#08/12**

**FINDLATER/ZIMMERMANN**

THAT the Regional Board receive Harold Reay's retirement notice effective May 31, 2012.

CARRIED

8.3 RDCO Audit Committee –Terms of Reference & Appointments (*All Directors – Unweighted Vote*)

Chair Hobson presented the draft Terms of Reference for a new standing committee—the Audit Committee. The objectives, scope of work and membership were highlighted and the Board, although not required to according to the RDCO procedure bylaw, was asked by the Chair for agreement. One of the first orders of business will be to coordinate the executive search process for the Chief Administrative Officer position.

As this committee encompasses the work of the previous HR Committee it was suggested that the title be changed to Audit/HR Committee. There was consensus for this change. The question was raised whether alternates are required for the committee should a member not be available to attend a meeting. The committee can address this issue at their meeting.

**#09/12**

**FIELDING/STACK**

THAT the Terms of Reference and appointments to the Audit/HR Committee be approved.

CARRIED

**9. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

9.1 Rise and Report - Governance & Services Committee meeting of January 12, 2012

- a) Request from the United Way for an increase in the number of transit passes (*All Directors - Unweighted Vote*)

**#10/12**

**BAKER/FIELDING**

THAT the Regional Board receive the report from the Director of Financial Services, City of Kelowna dated February 4, 2012 and the United Way report dated October 17, 2011 regarding United Way Transit Partnership and the request for an increase in transit passes for 2012;

AND FURTHER THAT the Regional District approves the increase in transit passes of 850 per month to the United Way.

CARRIED

b) Regional Board Remuneration (*All Directors - Unweighted Vote*)

#11/12

ZIMMERMANN/GIVEN

THAT the Regional Board strike a compensation review committee in early 2013 to make recommendations for appropriate compensation for the next term;

AND THAT the committee comprise of three members of the public to be recommended by the Chair and approved by the Board.

CARRIED

c) Other

There was no further business from the Governance & Services Committee.

*Director Gray arrived at 11:22 a.m.*

10. DIRECTORS ITEMS

a) Okanagan Safe Harbour

Director Baker noted that a meeting of concerned residents has been organized in Lake Country regarding the Okanagan Safe Harbour Restoration project. Staff will attend to hear concerns raised by local residents.

b) Safety Concerns on Hwy 33

Concern has been raised with regard to the speed limits, traffic volume and number of accidents on Hwy33 through the Joe Rich area. Director Hanson has asked that a meeting with the Ministry of Transportation and RCMP be arranged to discuss speed limits, more signage, Big White traffic, more representation from the RCMP, etc.

#12/12

HANSON/BASRAN

THAT Chair Hobson and Director Hanson meet with the Ministry of Transportation and RCMP to discuss concerns raised in regard to the speed limit on Hwy 33 (Joe Rich area) and enforcement in an attempt to resolve issues raised by residents of Joe Rich.

CARRIED

11. ADJOURN IN CAMERA

#13/12

FINDLATER/EDGSON

THAT pursuant to Section 90 of the *Community Charter* the Regional Board adjourn and convene to an 'In-Camera' session to discuss land and personnel issues.

CARRIED

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

The Board reconvened from In Camera at 12:10 p.m.

Dog Control Service Review

It was noted that the Regional Board in 2011 approved the Terms of Reference for a Dog Control Service Review. \$50,000 is being budgeted in 2012. The RFP is ready to be issued but as the budget has not been approved the RFP is on hold.

#14/12

BAKER/EDGSON

THAT the Regional Board approve \$50,000 for the completion of the Dog Control Service Review;

AND FURTHER THAT staff immediately issue the RFP and proceed with the service review.

CARRIED

Dangerous Dogs

Concern was once again raised regarding the length of time it takes to get to trial on bylaw matters related to dogs and dangerous dog offenses under the Community Charter. Prior to 2009, the Minister of Attorney General's office prosecuted these types of cases leading to direct costs to the local government and delays in trials.

#15/12

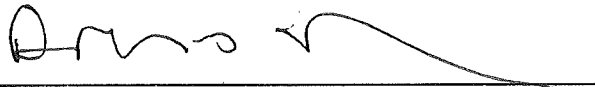
FINDLATER/FIELDING

THAT staff prepare a resolution for Regional Board consideration at the January 23, 2012 meeting to be forwarded to the 2012 SILGA Convention for consideration of how the provincial courts handle special powers in relation to dangerous dogs under the Community Charter (Section 49) and prosecution of bylaw matters in relation to dogs.

CARRIED

The Board adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

**CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT**



R. Hobson (Chair)

  
H. Reay (Chief Administrative Officer)