

**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, March 28, 2013**

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Directors:

P. Gambell, alternate for J. Baker (District of Lake Country)  
C. Basran (City of Kelowna)  
M. DeHart, 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)  
P. Hanson (Central Okanagan East Electoral Area)  
R. Hobson (City of Kelowna)  
D. Ophus (District of West Kelowna)  
G. Zimmermann (City of Kelowna)

Regrets:

M. Werstuik, (Westbank First Nation)

Staff:

P. Macklem, Chief Administrative Officer  
R. Fine, Director of Economic Development Commission  
M. Kopp, Director of Parks Services  
C. Radford, Director of Community Services  
M. Rilkoﬀ, Director of Finance & Administrative Services  
B. Smith, Communications  
M. Drouin, Manager - Corporate Services Manager (recording secretary)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Hobson called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

2. **ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS**

There were no late items to the agenda

3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

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**GIVEN/BASRAN**

THAT the agenda be approved.

**CARRIED**

4. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

4.1 Minutes – March 14, 2013

#50/13

**EDGSON/FIELDING**

THAT the Regional Board meeting minutes of March 14, 2013 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**5. FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

5.1 2013 – 2017 Financial Plan Introduction

- a) Review of changes following the March 14, 2013 Governance & Services Committee meeting

Staff report dated March 18, 2013 outlined the amendments to the budget following the March 14<sup>th</sup> Governance & Services Committee meeting.

The amendments were highlighted. Staff noted that the information has been posted on the District's website prior to each meeting, as well as the audio recording of the meetings. As required by legislation, this meeting has been advertised and the budget bylaw is posted on the website. Legislation requires that the public be provided an opportunity to speak to the budget.

- b) Review of 2013 Tax Rates

Staff provided an overview of the tax increase (decrease) to an average home which is dependent upon service participation and assessment shifts:

Kelowna	Increase	\$2.10	1.509%
Peachland	Decrease	(\$36.52)	(17.74%)
Lake Country	Increase	\$5.64	3.585%
West Kelowna	Increase	\$1.86	1.193%
Central Okanagan West	Decrease	(\$9.86)	(1.750%)
Central Okanagan East	Increase	\$15.22	2.957%

Tax requisitions change from 2012 to 2013 are:

- o Kelowna – increase of \$412,545
- o Peachland – decrease of \$87,914 *due to transfer of transit service*
- o Lake Country – increase of \$47,754
- o West Kelowna – increase of \$54,279
- o Central Okanagan West – increase of \$1,244
- o Central Okanagan East – increase of \$48,242 *shift due to increase in assessment values*

5.2 Public Comment on 2013 – 2017 Financial Plan

Chair Hobson asked if there anyone in attendance that wished to address the Board on the budget. There was no-one.

5.3 Regional District of Central Okanagan 2013 - 2017 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1324, **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings and Adoption (All Directors - Weighted Vote)**

West Kelowna directors stated they do not support the budget as there are outstanding issues regarding service reviews.

It was noted that service reviews don't necessarily reduce costs, that reviews are important and going through the process helps the Board understand how costs affect areas. Further, the Board is currently going through a review process of specific services as requested by the District of West Kelowna.

#50/13

FINDLATER/EDGSON

THAT Regional District of Central Okanagan 2013 - 2017 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1324, 2013 be given first, second and third readings and adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2013.

CARRIED (Findlater/Ophus opposed)

- 5.4 Regional District of Central Okanagan Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 1325, **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings and Adoption** (All Directors - Weighted Vote)

#51/13

EDGSON/OPHUS

THAT Regional District of Central Okanagan Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 1325, 2013 be given first, second and third readings and adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2013.

CARRIED

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 6.1 Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development re: Strategic Community Investment Fund re: Annual Contribution to Regional Districts (*for information*) (All Directors - Unweighted Vote)

Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development's correspondence of March 11<sup>th</sup> outlined the RDCO's annual Strategic Community Investment Fund contribution of \$22,625. These funds go into the general administrative revenue. This is the first of two payments which will be received in 2013.

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FIELDING/GAMBELL

THAT the March 11, 2013 correspondence from the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development regarding the annual Strategic Community Investment Fund contribution to the Regional District be received for information.

CARRIED

- 6.2 Union of BC Municipalities re: 2012 Resolutions Endorsed by UBCM Membership (*for information*) (All Directors - Unweighted Vote)

UBCM's letter of February 15<sup>th</sup> outlined the RDCO's resolutions which were supported at the 2012 UBCM Convention and the provincial response to UBCM. The resolutions were in regards to: provincial judicial resources dealing with dangerous dogs and requirements to exempt necessary water works projects from electoral approval.

#53/13

EDGSON/ZIMMERMANN

THAT the February 15, 2013 correspondence from UBCM regarding the 2012 resolutions endorsed by UBCM's membership and the provincial response be received for information.

CARRIED

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

7.1 Late Resolution to SILGA 2013 Convention re: Threat of Invasive Zebra and Quagga Mussels (*All Directors - Unweighted Vote*)

The Board at its March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting requested a late resolution be forwarded to the 2013 SILGA convention on the threat of invasive Zebra and Quagga Mussels.

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FINDLATER/FIELDING

WHEREAS the Regional District of Central Okanagan has been informed of the threat of invasive Zebra and Quagga mussels spreading into Western Canada and that the infestation of these species will cost millions of dollars in damage and increase costs for infrastructure, and that at the present time there is no known natural predator of the mussels;

AND WHEREAS according to the Canadian Council of Fisheries and Aquaculture Ministers Aquatic Invasive Species Task Group the most effective approach is to manage pathways by which these aquatic invasive species enter Canadian waters;

AND WHEREAS mandatory boat inspection programs now exist in some U.S. states and similar mandatory inspection stations in Canada along provincial and international borders could prevent or delay the aquatic invaders;

AND WHEREAS the Province of BC has strong legislation and stiff penalties prohibiting the transport of aquatic invasive species;

THEREFORE it is requested that the provincial and federal governments act immediately to develop mandatory inspection stations and an education program to inform the public of the threat of invasive Zebra and Quagga mussels.

CARRIED

**8. CORPORATE SERVICES**

8.1 Bylaw Notice Dispute Adjudication System

Staff report dated March 18, 2013 outlined the process for the bylaw notice dispute adjudication system. Going forward, except for tickets that deal with aggressive and dangerous dog incidents, all RDCO bylaws infractions tickets to a maximum of \$500 are included in the new adjudication system.

Administrative tasks to implement the system, such as screening officers, policies, forms and communication tools are being coordinated by staff.

- a) Approval of the Southern Interior Bylaw Notice Dispute Adjudication Registry Agreement (*All Directors - Unweighted Vote*)

#55/13

GIVEN/FIELDING

THAT the Regional Board of the Regional District of Central Okanagan approve entering into the Southern Interior Bylaw Notice Dispute Adjudication Registry Agreement.

CARRIED

- b) Regional District of Central Okanagan Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 1326, 2013, **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings and Adoption** (*All Directors - Unweighted Vote*)

#56/13

FIELDING/GAMBELL

THAT Regional District of Central Okanagan Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 1326, 2013 be given first, second and third readings and adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2013.

CARRIED

- c) Screening Officer Appointments for Bylaw Notice Dispute Adjudication System (*All Directors - Unweighted Vote*)

#57/13

EDGSON/BASRAN

THAT the positions of screening officers be established and that the following classes of persons be appointed by the Regional Board to carry out screening officer duties under the Regional District of Central Okanagan Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw:

- Chief Bylaw Enforcement Officer
- Bylaw Enforcement Officer
- Building Officials
- Manager of Corporate Services
- Manager of Planning Services
- Manager of Fire and Inspection Services
- Director of Community Services

CARRIED

**9. ADJOURN TO A REGIONAL BOARD IN CAMERA MEETING**

#58/13

GIVEN/ZIMMERMANN

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

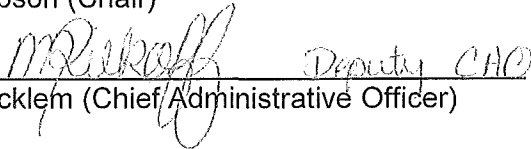
CARRIED

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT



R. Hobson (Chair)



P. Macklem (Chief Administrative Officer)