



# The Board Reports

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## Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting –October 13, 2016

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### Westbank First Nation Appointments

The Regional Board has welcomed a new representative from the Westbank First Nation (WFN). Recently elected Councillor Tom Konek has been appointed to represent Westbank First Nation as a non-voting member of the Regional Board. In addition, the WFN Council has appointed Councillor Fernanda Alexander as its representative on the Central Okanagan Economic Development Commission.

### Dog Licensing Fees Updated

The Regional Board has adopted amendments to annual licensing fees under the Responsible Dog Ownership Bylaw. The vast majority of dog owners renewing their license during the first two months of the year, won't see any change. As in the past, after February 28<sup>th</sup> license fees for a dog that is spayed or neutered is \$40 and the fee for dogs that are not fixed is \$80. Owners renewing or purchasing their annual license before the end of February each year will receive a \$20 discount. The half price license fee after July 31<sup>st</sup> has been discontinued. New dogs licensed after September 30<sup>th</sup> each year will receive a license for the remainder of that year as well as for the next calendar year.

### Two Dog Bylaw Fines Adjusted

The Regional Board has adopted amendments to two fines under the Responsible Dog Ownership Bylaw to improve clarity and compliance. One adjustment provides a 50% discount for the \$300 no valid dog license fine, if the ticket is paid within 14 days. This measure provides an incentive for owners to pay their ticket on time. A second change brings the fine for an aggressive dog in a prohibited area (park, playground, beach/swimming area or sports field) into line with the \$300 fine amount for an owner who fails to control or enclose an aggressive dog.

### Auditors Appointed

The Regional Board has appointed BDO Canada LLP as auditors through the end of 2020. The firm was highest ranked following a public Request for Proposal process. The new contract is about \$9,000 per year lower than the previous one.

### Proposed Starling Control Program Service

The Regional Board has given two readings to a proposed bylaw that would continue the Starling Control Program without any end date. Every three years, the Board currently provides \$25,000 to help fund the program. The bylaw would provide funding each year removing the need for the Board to approve the program every three years. The bylaw will be forwarded to each municipal council in the Central Okanagan along with the two electoral area directors to provide consent as required by the *Local Government Act*. Both the North and South Okanagan regional districts also fund the Starling Control Program which is managed by the BC Grapegrowers Association.

### Subdivision Servicing Bylaw Updated

The Regional Board has adopted an updated Subdivision Servicing Bylaw. Following a comprehensive review of the previous bylaw which was adopted in mid-1997, the changes reflect current provincial regulations, best practises and establish standards for servicing subdivisions within the unincorporated electoral areas. It also takes into consideration development trends that have emerged in the electoral areas over the past 19 years.

### Westside Regional Wastewater Plant

The Regional Board has endorsed the recommendations of a report reviewing the operation of the Westside Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant. The review by an independent engineering firm looks at the fundamental aspects of plant operations over the next 50 years. With expansion and enhancement of existing wastewater treatment processes, the present facility located off Gellatly Road in West Kelowna is expected to handle average daily wastewater flows until 2065. The report also found operation and maintenance costs are comparable to those of two similar sized plants.

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## Director Travel Request and Leave

The Regional Board has denied a request from the Central Okanagan East Electoral Area Director for travel outside the region later this month. Patty Hanson asked the Board to approve funds for her to attend SILGA educational sessions in Kamloops October 26<sup>th</sup> while a similar session is also scheduled the next day in West Kelowna.

In addition, the Regional Board brought forward a previous in-camera resolution, pursuant to Section 204 (2) of the *Local Government Act*, extending a leave to Director Hanson for a 60 day period ending October 21, 2016.

## Regional Board Meetings

Regional District office – 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna (Woodhaven Board Room). Residents are welcome to attend.

- **Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>** – 7:00 pm
- **Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>** – **Inaugural Meeting** - following 8:30 am Governance and Services Committee meeting
- **Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>** – 7:00 pm

Audio of the meeting is available at:

[https://www.regionaldistrict.com/media/211997/Audio\\_16\\_10\\_13brd.mp3](https://www.regionaldistrict.com/media/211997/Audio_16_10_13brd.mp3)

**Licensed Dog Owners**  
get **Rewards!**

**My Dog Matters**

*The 'My Dog Matters' Responsible Dog Owner Rewards program is ONLY available to licensed dog owners.*

*Over 50 local businesses are offering special discounts & services to 'My Dog Matters' card holders.*

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**There is Zero Tolerance for unlicensed dogs - \$300 Fine**

Visit [www.mydogmatters.ca](http://www.mydogmatters.ca) to learn how you can get your rewards.



## *You're Invited!* Information Open Houses

The Regional District of Central Okanagan is holding a series of Information Open Houses for residents in the Central Okanagan East and Central Okanagan West Electoral Areas.

Staff from a number of departments will be on hand at each event with information and to answer questions about the variety of programs and services offered by the Regional District.

We also welcome your thoughts and comments as we develop and update the Solid Waste Management Plan for the Central Okanagan.

We hope to see you between 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm at any of the following dates and locations.


**Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Killiney Beach Community Hall – 516 Udell Road

**Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**  
Peachland Community Centre – 4450 6th Street

**Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**  
Joe Rich Community Hall – 11481 Highway 33 east

**Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Elison Heritage School Community Hall - 4411 Old Vernon Road

For more information please visit our website: [www.regionaldistrict.com](http://www.regionaldistrict.com)



## Let's talk trash!

*Have your say on future garbage and recycling programs at an Open House near you!*



Let's Talk Trash Open Houses near you... refreshments provided!

Location	Times: 4 - 8 pm
North Westside – Killiney Community Hall	Monday, October 17
West Kelowna – Lions Hall	Tuesday, October 18
Peachland – Community Centre	Wednesday, October 19
Lake Country – Community Complex/George Elliott Secondary School	Monday, October 24
Joe Rich – Joe Rich Community Hall	Tuesday, October 25
Kelowna – Coast Capri Hotel	Wednesday, October 26
Elison – Heritage School Community Hall	Wednesday, November 2

Gather information from our staffed displays and have your say. Topics include:

- More Recycling
- Food Waste
- Review of Curbside Services
- User Pay
- Recycling Depots & Transfer Stations
- Yard Waste Collection
- Construction Waste
- Business Waste & Recycling Options

Can't make an Open House? Review the info and take our on-line survey at [regionaldistrict.com/garbagefuture](http://regionaldistrict.com/garbagefuture)



For more info: Regional Waste Reduction Office at 469-6250 or visit [www.regionaldistrict.com/garbagefuture](http://www.regionaldistrict.com/garbagefuture)

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