

Highlights of the Committee of the Whole and Regional Board meetings – June 19, 2025

Rick Hansen presentation on accessible public spaces

The Committee of the Whole received a presentation from Rick Hansen, Canadian Paralympian and founder of the Rick Hansen Foundation. Hansen shared his personal journey and emphasized the importance of creating accessible public spaces. He also introduced the Rick Hansen Foundation Accessibility Certification (RHFAC) Program, a national rating system that helps organizations assess and improve the accessibility of buildings.

in person the RDCO office at 1450 KLO Road.

Antenna Systems Siting Consultation Policy approved

The Board approved an Antenna Systems Siting Consultation Policy (BP24-2025), which establishes a framework for improved public and Indigenous consultation for antenna proposals in Electoral Areas. The policy improves notification requirements and reflects feedback from Westbank First Nation and the Okanagan Indian Band.

Regional Housing Needs Summary Report

The Board received the final Regional Housing Needs Summary. The report outlines a projected need for nearly 64,000 new housing units region-wide by 2041 to support our growing population. It emphasizes the need for coordinated planning across municipalities, First Nations and electoral areas to onboard the housing needed to support the region's current and future residents.

Letter to Minister of Transportation – Upper Fintry Road dust concerns

The Board authorized the Chair to submit a letter to the Minister of Transportation and Transit highlighting community concerns about road dust in Upper Fintry. This action follows numerous health-related complaints from residents and aligns with the June 5 Electoral Area Services Committee recommendation.

2024 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) approved

The Board approved the 2024 SOFI as required under the Financial Information Act. The report includes audited financial statements, schedules of remuneration, severance agreements and supplier payments. The report is available online and

Appointment of Animal Control Officer and Park Ranger

The Board approved the appointment of an Animal Control Officer and a Park Ranger. These appointments ensure regulatory coverage and support staff workloads as approved by the Board.

Regional Board meetings

Regional District office – 1450 KLO Road,

Kelowna (Woodhaven Boardroom)

- July 17 – 8:30 a.m.
- August 21 – 8:30 a.m.

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