

Minutes of the **GOVERNANCE & SERVICES COMMITTEE** meeting of the Regional District of Central Okanagan held at Regional District Offices, 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna, BC on Thursday, February 14, 2019

- Directors: J. Baker (District of Lake Country)
M. Bartyik (Central Okanagan East Electoral Area)
W. Carson (Central Okanagan West Electoral Area)
M. DeHart (City of Kelowna) *arrived at 8:55 a.m.*
C. Fortin (District of Peachland)
G. Given (City of Kelowna)
C. Hodge (City of Kelowna)
S. Johnston (City of West Kelowna)
G. Milsom (City of West Kelowna)
B. Sieben (City of Kelowna)
- Absent: C. Basran (City of Kelowna)
T. Konek (Westbank First Nation)
L. Stack (City of Kelowna)
L. Wooldridge (City of Kelowna)
- Staff: B. Reardon, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Cashin, Director of Community Services
J. Foster, Communication Manager
D. Komaike, Director of Engineering Services
M. Kopp, Director of Parks Services
M. Rilkoff, Director of Financial Services
M. Drouin, Manager - Corporate Services (recording secretary)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Given called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

This meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Syilx/Okanagan Peoples.

2. **ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS**

There were no late items to the agenda.

3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

#GS05/19

FORTIN/BAKER

THAT the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED unanimously

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 4.1 Governance & Services Committee Meeting Minutes – January 10, 2019 2018

#GS06/19

BAKER/BARTYIK

THAT the Governance & Services Committee meeting minutes of January 10, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED unanimously

5. DELEGATIONS

- 5.1 Okanagan Film Commission Update – Jon Summerland, Commissioner

Director Hodge arrived at 8:34 a.m.

Jon Summerland addressed the Committee highlighting the Commission's work in 2018:

- Highlighted the filming being done in the Okanagan.
- 2018 had its challenges due to smoky skies in the summer months
- Working together to increase the appeal of the Okanagan Valley across all industry contacts.
- Governance Committee created new policies and bylaws in 2018.
- New Board appointed in January. Director Wooldridge is the RDCO's appointment

Director Johnston arrived at 8:37 a.m.

- Sound stage has opened in Kelowna--Spectrum Court which is out by the airport
- Great steady local crew and equipment in the Okanagan.

Director Sieben arrived at 8:40 a.m.

#GS07/19

DEHART/BAKER

THAT the Okanagan Film Commission update be received for information.

CARRIED unanimously

6. CORPORATE SERVICES

6.1 Economic Development Commission – Economic Climate Update

Staff presented an update on the economic climate. Staff recognized the Commission's new advisory committee chair: Lynn Heinrich and past chair David McDougall.

- Approved a 2025 economic strategy funding received from the federal government
- Outlined the role of the Advisory Council and appointments
- Primary business resource: business walk, workforce development initiatives, awareness presentations
- Krista Mallory provided an overview of economic climate information
 - Building permit values up 18.1%
 - Housing starts down 28.6%
 - Median home price up 25.3% for newly constructed homes
 - Job postings up 49.3% (variety metrix included)
 - Labour force grew 1.4% - considered a healthy percentage
 - 41% of local companies having challenges hiring
 - Labour force steady at 0%
 - Economic indicators over five years was reviewed
 - 2018 Central Okanagan Economic Profile is available online

Question and answers followed the presentation.

#GS08/19

DEHART/BARTYIK

THAT the Economic Development Commission – Economic Climate update be received for information.

CARRIED unanimously

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES

7.1 Regional Growth Strategy Priority Projects Plan: 2019 Projects

Staff report provided an overview of the 2019 projects outlined in the priority projects plan. Nine projects have been identified, five for 2019:

- Flood Management Plan (Phase 3)
- Regional Planning Lab
- RGS Monitoring Program – monitoring and progress to date
- Regional Housing Strategy
- RGS 5-Year Review

Regional Citizen survey to be undertaken in 2019 by our communications staff.

Questions and answers followed the presentation.

#GS09/19

HODGE/MILSOM

THAT the Governance & Services Committee receive for information the Regional Growth Strategy Priority Projects Plan report of February 14, 2019.

CARRIED unanimously

8. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

9. ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT

G. Given (Chair)

B. Reardon (Chief Administrative Officer)