

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, March 18, 2021

Directors: J. Baker (District of Lake Country)
M. Bartyik (Central Okanagan East Electoral Area)
M. Singh, alternate for C. Basran (City of Kelowna)
W. Carson (Central Okanagan West Electoral Area) (*attended electronically*)
M. DeHart (City of Kelowna)
C. Fortin (District of Peachland) (*attended electronically*)
G. Given (City of Kelowna)
C. Hodge (City of Kelowna) (*attended electronically*)
S. Johnston (City of West Kelowna) (*attended electronically*)
G. Milsom (City of West Kelowna) (*attended electronically*)
B. Sieben (City of Kelowna)
L. Stack (City of Kelowna) (*attended electronically*)
A. Alexander, alternate for J. Coble (Westbank First Nation) (*attended electronically*)

Absent: L. Wooldridge (City of Kelowna)

Staff: B. Reardon, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Cashin, Director of Community Services
J. Foster, Director of Communication & Information Services
C. Griffiths, Director of Economic Development
D. Komaik, Director of Engineering Services
M. Kopp, Director of Parks Services
M. Rilko, Director of Financial Services (*attended electronically*)
M. Drouin, Manager-Corporate Services (recording secretary)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Given called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and acknowledged the meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the syilx/Okanagan peoples.

In accordance with the most recent Provincial Health Officer Order regarding gatherings and events, the public is currently not permitted to attend Board meetings in-person.

As an open meeting, a live audio-video feed is being broadcast and recorded on rdco.com.

2. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS

There are no late items for the agenda

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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BARTYIK/BAKER

THAT the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED unanimously

M. Singh arrived at 8:34 a.m.

4. **FINANCIAL SERVICES**

4.1. 2021 - 2025 Budget and 5-Year Financial Plan

4.1.1. Director of Financial Services Introduces the 2nd Draft of the 2021-2025 Financial Plan

M. Rilkoﬀ provided an overview of the changes to the 2021 budget following the Committee's first meeting of February 25th and the Regional Board recommendations of March 11, 2021.

The budgets for the following cost centres have been amended:

- 142 – Regional Parks – Add \$5.7m capital to land acquisition strategy using reserves, add \$480k misc. capital revenues.
- 046 – Dog Control – Add \$37k re COVID Restart Grant Usage, and reduce expenses by \$21k. Add \$15k Capital for tablets.
- 303 – Falcon Ridge Water System – Add emergency \$15k Intake Restoration project funded by Community Works Funds.
- 012 – Grants – Electoral Area Central Okanagan West – Reduced by \$3.1k.
- 102 – Air Quality – Add \$40k for Chipping Program.
- 195 – Feasibility Funds – Add \$50k New Regional Transportation Service Study and \$50k Regional First Nations Engagement Service Study.

General summary of taxes per average house by area was outlined:

	2020 Total Tax per House. Avg House Value \$734,000	2021 House Value	Feb 25 Draft		Mar 18 Draft	
			2021	2021	2021	2021
			Total Tax per House	Change per Avg House over 2020	Total Tax per House	Change per Avg House over 2020
Kelowna	\$183.41	\$750,000	\$190.57	\$7.16 3.902%	\$190.38	\$6.97 3.800%
Peachland	213.45	754,000	\$222.05	\$8.61 4.032%	\$221.76	\$8.31 3.892%
Lake Country	210.68	774,000	\$225.38	\$14.70 6.977%	\$224.66	\$13.98 6.634%
West Kelowna	203.34	753,000	\$210.85	\$ 7.51 3.693%	\$210.59	\$7.25 3.566%
C. O. West	665.92	746,500	\$676.52	\$ 10.59 1.591%	\$674.42	\$ 8.49 1.275%
C. O. East	535.31	739,000	\$535.12	\$ (0.19) (-0.036%)	\$534.82	(\$0.49) (-0.091%)

Capital budget increases were outlined. The final budget timelines were highlighted. The final adoption of the budget is scheduled at the March 29th Board meeting.

4.1.2. Public Comment on the 2021 - 2025 Financial Plan

Due to the current Provincial Health Order in effect written public comment is received via email/letters.

There have been no comments received to date.

4.1.3. Recommendation to Forward the Draft Budget for Final Consideration & Approval at the March 29, 2021 Board Meeting

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HODGE/STACK

THAT the Governance & Services Committee receive for information the updated and additional 2021 – 2025 Financial Plan documentation;

AND FURTHER THAT any recommended amendments discussed today be made and brought forward to the Regional Board's final budget meeting on March 29, 2021.

CARRIED unanimously

5. ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT

G. Given (Chair)

B. Reardon (Chief Administrative Officer)