



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY OPEN MEETING MINUTES RIONDEL COMMISSION

6:30 pm
March, 4th, 2025

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Join by Phone:

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Meeting Number: 998 9340 6154

Meeting Password: 762048

In-Person Location: Riondel Community Centre, Commission Office, Room #6

Location Address: 1511 Eastman Ave., Riondel BC

COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner G. Panio	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner N. Anderson	Riondel	Absent
Commissioner J. Donald	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner A. Cop	Riondel	Zoom link
Commissioner L. Cranna	Riondel	Zoom link
Commissioner S. Downing	Riondel	Zoom link
G. Jackman	Director – Electoral Area A	In-person

STAFF

Cheryl Wright	Meeting Coordinator
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6 out of 7 voting Commission members were present – quorum was met.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Panio called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We acknowledge and respect the Indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Agenda for March 4th, 2025 Riondel Commission meeting, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The February 4th, 2025 Riondel Commission meeting minutes, have been received.

5. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public at 6:40 p.m.

- The ferry issue been addressed by the RDCK
 - Director Jackman responded that the RDCK has responded to this urgent matter and continuous pressure for a resolution is being applied.

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1 Chair Panio provided the Commission with an update on Waste Management research and Garbage sticker price increase including:

- Chair Panio read Uli Wolf, Regional Manager of Environmental Services, letter in regarding potential costs involved in researching alternative waste management options and seeking approval for changes. The Commission did not recommend any further action at this time.
- Director Jackman noted we are not sure if the recycling will be maintained in Riondel; it has been recommended to be shut down. Director Jackman requested it not be shut down this year. Waste Management & Recycling are two separate contracts.
- RDCK Board approved the increase of garbage sticker costs to \$4 as of March 1, 2025, official notices will be posted.

6.2 Chair Panio provided the Commission with an update on the expanded activities at the Riondel Community Centre, new programs and an update on insurance including:

- Chair Panio advised that Maintenance personal are working at upgrading the women's washroom.
- Wendy Miller, Treasurer of the Riondel Community Association advised that the Association has purchased General Liability Insurance; we have included the Art Room and Band Room.
- Wendy Miller, Treasurer of the Riondel Community Association updated the Commission on the status of the subcommittee researching the upgrades of the current auditorium kitchen to a commercial kitchen.

- Director Jackman reported on ongoing negotiations between RDCK and Columbia Basin Trust about possible funding for major Community Centre upgrades.

6.3 Chair Panio provided a verbal report on the Riondel Water Service Community Advisory Meeting held on February 5th, 2025, including:

- Forthcoming installation of missing sections of water line on Ainsworth Avenue
- Installation of emergency generator at water treatment plant
- Further upgrades to the plant and reservoir
- Potential impact of removal of Riondel Golf Course from the water service.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Occupancy Load

Chair Panio led the Commission in a discussion on the Occupancy Load Numbers for the Community Centre including:

- Maximum Occupancy signage is now up in the Activity Room, Auditorium and stage area.

7.2 Budget Meeting

Chair Panio updated the Commission on the Budget Meeting, which is scheduled for March 5th, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Activity Room at the Community Centre tomorrow evening, please attend.

7.3 Commissioner Lavigne Resignation

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved and recommended to the Board:

That the Board send a letter to outgoing member Donna Lavigne thanking them for their service at the RDCK.

Carried

Chair Panio advised that total of seven commissioners can be on the Riondel Commission. It was suggested for people who are interested at being apart of the Riondel Commission to email Director Jackman and Chair Panio for consideration.

8 AREA A DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Jackman provided the Commission with a verbal update addressing the Budget presentation tomorrow that will review all related tax and other budget information including the request for graphs at tomorrow nights meeting. The Commission did recommend at previous meeting that the taxation for Recreation Service S209 not be increased this year 2025 due to current healthy reserve and previous significant increases.

9 PUBLIC TIME

The Chair did not call for questions from the public a second time.

10 NEXT MEETING

The next Riondel Commission meeting is scheduled for April 1st, 2025 at 6:30 pm.

11 ADJOURNMENT

The Riondel Commission meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm. Due to a loss of quorum.

Digitally Approved

Chair Panio

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1. That the Board send a letter to outgoing member Donna Lavigne of the Riondel Commission thanking them for their service at the RDCK.*