Regional District of Central Kootenay
CRESTON VALLEY SERVICES COMMITTEE
Open Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 3, 2025
9:00 am PDT
Creston and District Complex – Erickson Room
312-19 Avenue North, Creston, BC

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Director A. DeBoon	Town of Creston
Director G. Jackman	Electoral Area A
Director R. Tierney	Electoral Area B
Director K. Vandenberghe	Electoral Area C

STAFF PRESENT

S. Horn	Chief Administrative Officer
J. Chirico	General Manager of Community Services
T. Davison	Regional Manager – Recreation and Client Services
C. Stanley	Manager of Recreation – Creston and District Community Complex
S. Sudan	General Manager of Development and Community Sustainability
D. Seguin	Manager of Community Sustainability
R. Baril	Meeting Coordinator

TOWN OF CRESTON STAFF PRESENT:

M. Moore	Creston Chief Administrative Officer
D. Dumas	Creston Town Counselor

GUESTS:

Director A. Watson	RDCK Board Chair/Electoral Area D

1. ZOOM REMOTE MEETING INFO

To promote openness, transparency and provide accessibility to the public we provide the ability to attend all RDCK meetings in-person or remote (hybrid model).

Meeting Time:
9:00 a.m. PDT

Join by Video:
https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/92632670829?pwd=VkcPYOv0WnMTDNowScaJt12nFYz8zN.1

Join by Phone:
+1 778 907 2071 Canada Toll Free

*6 to unmute or mute
*9 to raise or lower your hand

Meeting ID: 926 3267 0829
Meeting Password: 430277

In-Person Location: Creston & District Community Complex
312 19 Avenue North, Creston, BC

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chair DeBoon called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

3. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

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

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

The agenda for the April 3, 2025, Creston Valley Services Committee meeting be adopted with the inclusion of Item 7.3 RDCK Corporate Administration Workplan before circulation.

Carried

5. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The March 6, 2025, Creston Valley Services Committee minutes, have been received.

Moved and seconded,
And resolved;

That Jessica Piccinin and Denise Dumas have Freedom of the Floor

Carried

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 DISCUSSION ITEM: CANADA DAY CELEBRATION

Chair DeBoon brought up the Canada Day celebration for 2025 to start a discussion and planning around the 2025 event. One note of concern is fireworks for Canada Day, as fireworks create a planning challenge to consider current and future fire bans, storing of fireworks, pre-ordering fireworks 8-10 weeks ahead of event and permits for a fireworks show. A drone show is not a viable option this year as the date of July 1, 2025, is already booked.

Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce would like to be involved in planning the event and will put a call out to local businesses for willing partners to join the festival committee in planning the event for July 1, 2025.

The Committee feels that a local event, such as a band or concert with a light show should be the focus of the celebration.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7.1 DISCUSSION ITEM: CRESTON MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION LEGACY PROJECT

Craig Stanley, Regional Manager - Operations and Asset Management has a License of Occupation 5-year draft agreement ready to present to Creston Valley Minor Hockey Association.

Direction to Staff: that the location of the License Area be shown to scale in the correct location on Schedule A with a 1.5-meter fire access and that the liability requirements be adjusted by removing the commercial general liability.

Moved and seconded,
And resolved that it be recommended to the Board:

That the Board approve the RDCK entering into a License of Occupation with Creston Valley Hockey League for displaying sports memorabilia at the Creston and District Community Complex for the period of 5-year agreement (March 31, 2030) and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

7.2 ACTION ITEM LIST

Item #1 - to be discussed in Closed session

Item #4 – Direction to staff to reach out to Kootenay River Secondary School or School District No. 8 and invite them to meet with the Committee to review the contribution service.

Item #5 - Staff is working on logistics for the wayfaring signage.

Item #6 - A tentative date has been set for the Traditional Land Use study workshop for the Committee members to attend.

7.3 FOR DISCUSSION: RDCK CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION WORKPLAN
Direction to Staff: To pull out sub-regional items applicable to Areas A, B, C, and Creston for the May 2025 CVSC agenda.

8. PUBLIC TIME
The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 10:00 a.m.

There were no questions from the public or media.

9. CLOSED
9.1 Meeting Closed to the Public
Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

In the opinion of the Board - and, in accordance with Section 90 of the Community Charter – the public interest so requires that persons other than DIRECTORS, ALTERNTAE DIRECTORS, DELEGATIONS AND STAFF be excluded from the meeting;

AND FURTHER, in accordance with Section 90 of the Community Charter, the meeting is to be closed on the basis(es) identified in the following Subsections:

90. (1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;

Carried

9.2 Recess of Open Meeting

Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

The Open meeting be recessed at 10:02 a.m. in order to conduct the Closed meeting.

Carried

RECESS/ RECONVENE The meeting recessed at 10:02 a.m. in order to conduct the Closed meeting and reconvened at 11:25 a.m.

Note: Chair called for public time again due to public time occurring earlier than scheduled.

8. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:25 a.m.

A member of the public came forward with the following concerns:

1. Suggestion of out of country patrons at CDCC be charged a premium fee to use the complex.
2. Community members are concerned with the extra day closure of the Public Library.
3. Patron access to CDCC be increased on Sundays and Statutory Holidays.
4. Outdoor bathroom facilities closed on Sunday mornings are a hardship to those patrons that are active outside the complex.
5. Increase pickleball facilities, host a drop-in time for pickleball during the winter months. The member turn out would be worth it. As well as creating a regular maintenance schedule for the outdoor pickleball courts at CDCC as they are showing wear.

The Committee responded that Iron Soul Fitness is going to be opening in the old Firehall. And the washroom rebuild has been awarded and construction is expected to be completed by summer. The point of being open later on Sundays has been noted. Additionally, the Tennis Club is working on a grant application for new tennis/pickleball courts to be developed at Kinsman Park. The Committee also wishes to set up a meeting with the Board of the Public Library.

The Committee continued with the Closed meeting after public time.

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Carried

9.2 Recess of Open Meeting

Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

The Open meeting be recessed at 11:54 a.m. in order to conduct the Closed meeting.

Carried

10. NEXT MEETING

The next Creston Valley Services Committee meeting is scheduled for May 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
And resolved:

The Creston Valley Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Carried

Digitally approved by

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Arnold DeBoon, Chair