



The Board Reports

Regional District of Central Okanagan
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Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting-May 15,2000

Gallagher Lands One Step Closer to Reserve Status

The Regional Board gave approval to the execution of the Master Agreement that guides the provision of various services and access to the Gallagher Canyon Lands owned by Westbank Indian Band Development Company. The Regional District joins Westbank First Nation, the City of Kelowna, Black Mountain Irrigation and South East Kelowna Irrigation in the Master Agreement which outlines the relationship between these various agencies. The Agreement acknowledges rights of ways, water licenses and includes provisions for consultation throughout the implementation of the Agreement as well as a dispute resolution process.

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Administrator

Coast Guard on the Way

In response to a request from the Regional Board the Canadian Coast Guard has confirmed that they will have a team and vessel on Okanagan Lake throughout the summer. Boating safety is a prime concern of the Okanagan Shuswap Local Marine Advisory Council on which our Regional District is a member. The service provided by the Coast Guard is similar to the service provided in past years, to provide information and assistance to the boating population.

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N. Westside Road joins in 911 for Fire Dispatch

North Westside Road Fire Department calls will now be dispatched from the Fire Dispatch Centre in the City of Kelowna. Currently, fire dispatch within the Regional District with the exception of this area, is delivered by the City of Kelowna. With changes in technology it is now possible to include the North Westside Road area in the service. Cost to provide the service would come from 911 reserve accounts. The new system will enhance coverage in the Central Okanagan area as well as save \$3,500 annually which is currently being paid to Vernon for this fire dispatch service.

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Director of Engineering

April Building Statistics

In the month of April there were 66 permits issued with a total construction value of \$3,071,385.00. During this period there were also 76 permits completed with a total construction value of \$2,963,944.00.

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Director of Inspection Services

Mount Boucherie Renovations Underway

The Regional Board gave approval to awarding the contract for Phase 1 renovation of the Mount Boucherie Arena to J. Forsyth Contracting Ltd. for the base bid of \$806,307 plus GST. J. Forsyth Contracting Ltd. was the lowest of three bids to complete the Phase 1 renovation. The Phase 1 renovation is outlined in the master plan developed by Renaissance Architecture Planning and includes upgrades to the Zamboni, equipment and mechanical rooms. It also involves bringing the building up to current codes by making improvements to areas such as the sprinkler system and wheelchair access.

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Director of Parks and Recreation

Curbside Recycling Takes Next Step

The Regional Board gave approval to the User Rates Bylaw to include the additional \$12/year for the curbside collection of recycling from individual residences that are currently on the Garbage Collection Program. The Curbside Recycling Program gets underway this July. Residents can look forward to information packages that will be mailed to homes on the service providing information about their scheduled collection day, where to buy bags and how to participate. For more information on the Curbside Recycling Program contact the Regional Waste Reduction Office at 868-5250 or visit the Regional District's Website at

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Westside Community Open House
Wednesday May 17, 2000
5:00 – 9:00 pm
Lion's Community Hall
Main St. Westbank

Westside residents should be sure to mark Wednesday evening on their calendar for the 4th Annual Westside Community Open House. Meet the people and groups that provide service to Westside residents. Talk to the Fire Chief, find out about your sewer connection, or curbside recycling, or even try out the new Regional District website. It all happens on Wednesday, May 17th from 5 to 9 pm, at the Lion's Community Hall on Main Street in Westbank.

Groups attending include:

Regional District Services
Engineering (sewers)
Planning
Parks and Recreation
Finance
Crime Stoppers
Crime Prevention
Victim Witness Services
Community Policing and Citizens Patrols
Regional Transit
Economic Development Commission
Regional Waste Reduction Office (new Blue Bag Curbside Recycling program)
Regional District Website (Thanks to Shaw Cable)

Westbank First Nation
Sterile Insect Release program
Green bay Bible Camp
J.B. Aquatic Centre
Boys & Girls Club
Westside Fire Protection
Ministry of Transportation and Highways
Community Associations from Westbank, Glenrosa, Shannon Lake, and Lakeview Heights

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Grants-in Aid

Casa Loma Residents Association - \$1000 – for Parks initiatives – Area 'G' Director Aaron Dinwoodie

North Westside Ratepayers Association - \$500 – Community initiatives – Area 'G' Director Aaron Dinwoodie

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