

# RDKB BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

**July 22, 2026**

**A general overview** of discussion items and decision from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) Board of Directors meeting. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. in the Grand Forks Board room or online via Teams videoconferencing.

### Liquor Licence Application Supported for Beaverdell Business

The RDKB Board approved a recommendation to support a Liquor Primary Licence application for a business at 5845 Highway 33 in Beaverdell. Directors determined the proposal is not expected to negatively impact the community, would enhance services for residents and visitors, and supports a local business. The decision also considered strong public support, with 92 letters in favour, one letter of opposition, and feedback from the Area E/West Boundary Advisory Planning Commission regarding parking and highway access.

### Prohibition of Data Warehouses

RDKB staff will continue with projects that are underway prior to initiating bylaw amendments regarding Data Warehouses with the exception of presenting an amendment bylaw to the Area A Zoning Bylaw to prohibit Data Warehouses.

### Annual Operating Agreement - BC Transit

RDKB staff will sign the Annual Operating Agreement with BC Transit for a term beginning April 1, 2026 and ending March 31, 2027. The RDKB Board requests that BC Transit conduct a service review that includes service model options, including one that excludes the Beaver Valley from the service.

### Water License Fees

It was noted that an interest-free payment plan for water license holders who owe back fees to the provincial government is available.

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## Support Approved for Grand Forks Community User Groups

The RDKB Board directed staff to establish annual funding from Electoral Areas C (Christina Lake) and D (Rural Grand Forks) to support the woodworkers and weavers who use the RDKB-owned building at 8120 Donaldson Drive in Grand Forks. Staff will also prepare lease agreements with the community user groups, with the goal of having them in place by October 2026.

## Bylaws

The following bylaws were **ADOPTED**: 1911: Area D/Rural Grand Forks Animal Control Service Establishment and 1940: Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Service Reserve Fund.

The following bylaws were read a **FIRST & SECOND** time: 1942: Area A Zoning Amendment. A public hearing for proposed Bylaw No. 1942 will be held on Thursday August 13, 2026.

## Building Communities Strong Fund Grant Application
## Electoral Area C/Christina Lake

The RDKB Board of Directors endorsed the Christina Lake Welcome Centre Development project and accepted the federal funding available through the Build Communities Strong Fund – Local Impact Stream in British Columbia program, of up to 50% of the total eligible project costs, up to a maximum federal funding of $305,000. It guaranteed matching contributions from the RDKB for the Christina Lake Welcome Centre Development project of $305,000.

## Grants-in-Aid

## The following grants-in-aid were approved:

### Area A

- Trail and District Chamber of Commerce – BroadKAST Film Festival - $4,500
- Trail Fair Society – WINS program - $500

### Area B/Lower Columbia - Old Glory:

- Trail Fair Society - WINS program - $500

### Area C/Christina Lake:

- Christina Lake Fire Rescue – community remembrance events and prevention educational materials - $4,250

### Areas E/West Boundary:

- Boundary Minor Hockey Assoc. – to purchase water bottle filling station - $2,340.58
- Grand Forks ATV – research, design, create a RDKB tourism map - $5,000
- Greenwood Rec Assoc. – music entertainment for Founders day - $2,500

These highlights exclude confidential information such as business negotiations, personnel issues and legal matters. For full meeting agenda minutes visit rdkb.civicweb.net. For a list of upcoming Board meetings, visit rdkb.com. For other information or to request the Teams board meeting links , please contact Anitra Winje, our Corporate Officer at 250-368-0225 or corporate@rdkb.com.


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