

Board Highlights

29 October 2025

A general overview of discussion items & major decisions from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) Board of Directors meeting.

The next board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, November 12, 2025** at 1:00 p.m. in the Grand Forks boardroom and online via Teams videoconferencing.

Proposed Amendments to Directors' Remuneration Bylaw

A revised Board approved meeting allowance of $128; plus the introduction of a new annual wellness reimbursement of $400 per director and enrollment in the RDKB Employee Family Assistance Program.

Board supports the development of a Watershed Security and Protection Board for the Kelly Creek Watershed

A Kelly Creek Watershed Security Initiative will be developed to establish a governance framework that can serve as a model for other local watersheds, beginning with Kelly Creek and eventually expanding to encompass the Beaver Creek Watershed.

OCP and Zoning Amendments

A Public Hearing will be held regarding proposed bylaws - 1921: Electoral Area C/Christina Lake Official Community Plan Bylaw 1855 Amendment; 1922: Electoral Area C/Christina Lake Zoning Bylaw 1300 Amendment; 1916: Area A Zoning Amendment; 1918: Area D/Rural Grand Forks Zoning Amendment; 1919: Mt. Baldy Ski Resort Zoning Amendment. (Proposed Bylaw 1920: Big White Zoning Amendment was deferred).

Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch Referral - Mooney Supply Inc. (Cantina Del Centro) - Electoral Area E/West Boundary (Big White)

RDKB staff will conduct a public consultation on the Patron Participation Entertainment Endorsement application. Notices will be sent to owners & tenants within 100m of the subject parcel for comments.

City of Grand Forks Fire Truck

An allocation of up to $675,000 was approved from the Electoral Area D Canada Community Building Fund, to the Grand Forks Rural Area D Fire Service, for the purchase of a new fire engine.

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Drone Use in Mosquito Control Activities

A letter will be sent to the Provincial government expressing the urgency in finalizing and approving the provincial certification program required for drones to be used for pesticide application in mosquito control activities.

1913: Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw Approved

Several properties were granted exemption for 2026. The Christina Lake Golf Course will be requested to perform FireSmart activities in order to qualify for future permissive tax exemptions.

Grants-in-Aid

The following grants-in-aid were approved:

Area A:

Fruitvale Elementary School – community night: $2,000

Area B/Lower Columbia/Old Glory:

Visions for Small Schools Society – field trip through the Kootenays: $2,920
Trail Wildlife Association – tracked snowblower: $4,300
West Kootenay Archers – target replacement: $3,000
West Kootenay Marksmen – steel gongs: $2,800

Area C/Christina Lake:

Christina Lake Community Association – rental of the Christina Lake Community Hall for AGM's and special events: $3,000
Christina Lake Fire Rescue – apparel and equipment to print on shirts: $4,140
Christina Lake Community Association – rental of the Christina Lake Community Hall for the Mushroom Festival: $2,000
Phoenix Cross Country Ski Society – refurbish Dacha at Marshall Lake: $500
First Grand Forks Scouts – purchase of "Beaver Buggy and Kub Car" racetrack and timer: $1,000

Area E/West Boundary:

Boundary Central Secondary School – Class of 2026 Graduation: $500
Boundary Central Secondary School – purchase of wireless microphones for Musical Theatre and Performing Arts Program: $3,668.45
Beaverdell Community Club – Haunted house: $600
Phoenix Cross Country Ski Society – refurbish Dacha at Marshall Lake: $1,000
Westbridge Recreation Society – computer for society use: $1,000

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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