

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

RIONDEL COMMISSION OPEN MEETING MINUTES

7:00 PM November 7, 2023

IN-PERSON MEETING LOCATION FOR HYBRID MEETING MODEL

The following location has been determined to hold the in-person meetings for Riondel Commission of Management:

Location Name: Riondel Community Centre, Commission Office, Room #6 Location Address: 1511 Eastman Ave., Riondel BC

The facility listed above will be able to accommodate the remote requirements for the meeting.

Meeting Link:

https://nelsonho.webex.com/nelsonho/j.php?MTID=m379e54c5c213884ee461a71aa5228417

Toll Free number: 1-604-449-3026 Canada Toll (Vancouver) Meeting Number (access code): 2770 495 0160

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Commissioner G. Panio	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner N. Anderson	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner J. Donald	Riondel	In-person
Commissioner G. Jackman	Director – Electoral Area A	In-person

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner T. Wilkinson sent his regrets.

STAFF

Roberta Van Steinburg, Administrative Support

4 out of 5 voting Commission/Committee members were present – quorum was met.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Panio called the meeting to order at 7:03 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 the November 7, 2023 Riondel Commission meeting, be adopted.

4. **RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

The October 3, 2023 Riondel Commission minutes, have been received.

Carried

5. DELEGATE

No Delegation.

6. PUBLIC TIME

No public in attendance.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7.1 Ferry Service Letter

Chair Panio prepared a 2nd draft of the Ferry Service support letter which was sent to the Commissioners via email. There were no further comments from the Commissioners.

MOVED and seconded,

AND Resolved:

Chair Panio will send the letter to the Ministry of Transportation.

7.2 Cell Service Letter

Chair Panio reported this item is still outstanding. This is tabled to the next meeting.

7.3 Playground Cleanup

Commissioner Anderson provided an update on the playground cleanup. A young resident has worked a couple of weekends pulling weeds and removing debris from the playground. It is recommended that the Commission look to have some funds allocated in next fiscal year's budget to be able to hire casual or student workers. Chair Panio will discuss this with Joe Chirico for the proper protocols to action this.

7.4 New Riondel Town Sign

Commissioner Anderson reported he has not done any further investigation on the town sign. Chair Panio has been in discussion with Leah Kleinhans, manager of the Creston Valley-Kootenay Lake Economic Action Partnership (EAP) regarding gateway signage.

7.5 Rental Rate Discussion

Chair Panio provided an update regarding the Community Centre rental rates. Chair Panio will review the RDCK Recreation Fee Guide in determining the new fee schedule for the Community Centre. The revised Community Centre rental fee schedule will allow for considerable flexibility in rental rates depending upon the user groups involved.

7.6 Water & Drainage Advisory Board

Chair Panio reported that 3 residents have stepped forward to become members of the Water & Drainage Advisory Board. The first meeting date is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 1, 2023.

7.7 Radon Tester

Chair Panio provided an update regarding radon testers. The Commission was provided information from the RDCK regarding the Donna Schmidt Lung Cancer Prevention Society. The Society is providing free radon tester to Libraries. Chair Panio will contact the Society to see if the Reading Centre qualifies and if so to request a couple of detectors for loan out to residents to test their homes. Chair Panio will also check with the Lung Association.

7.8 Call for Commissioners

Chair Panio provided the Commission with a verbal update. It was noted there was a resident who has come forward with interest. Nothing formal has been received to date.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Condition of Riondel Road

Commissioner Anderson provided a verbal update. It was noted that there are many area highways and byways that have been paved recently, but not the Riondel road. The Riondel road has needed to be resurfaced for the last 4 years. Commission Anderson will send a follow up letter to the new area Ministry of Transportation Rep, Gundula Brigl.

8.2 Slash burning in Riondel

Commissioner Anderson provided the Commission with a verbal update regarding slash burning in Riondel. Chair Panio will draft a poster to spread awareness in the community regarding slash burning and the affects it has on neighbours and most importantly the air quality in town. The following were also noted:

- Wood stove replacement incentive.
- Crawford Bay Transfer Station accepts yard waste every April and October at no charge.
- Residents can call the RAPP line to report polluters 1-877-952-RAPP (7277).

9. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

10. AREA A DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Jackman provided the Commission with a verbal report. The Province is making a lot of changes to the housing bylaws, but is unsure how it will roll out, especially in rural areas. In the coming months there will be more information available. Any changes to the bylaws for housing will be announced by June 2024.

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- **11. FINANCIAL REPORTS** No items.
- **12. PUBLIC TIME** No public.
- **13. NEXT MEETING** The following Riondel Commission meeting will be held on December 5, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded, AND Resolved:

The Riondel Commission meeting be adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Carried

Approved:

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Gerald Panio, Chair