

7 out of 7 voting Commission/Committee members were present – quorum was met.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Panio called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 April 2, 2024 Riondel Commission meeting, be adopted.

Carried

4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The March 5, 2024 Riondel Commission minutes, have been received.

5. DELEGATE

No delegates are scheduled to present.

6. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair calls for questions from the public at 7:02 p.m.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7.1 Commissioner Introduction

Commissioner Lavigne has observed that introductions are not being done when new commissioners begin their term. Round table introductions will be made at initial commission meetings that include new members, and a paragraph summary introduction will be posted by staff to <https://commission.riondel.ca/> for visibility to the community.

7.2 Unsightly Property Bylaw

Commissioner Cop led a review of the unsightly property bylaw. Enforcement is typically initiated through citizen complaints to bylaw officers with property value reduction being a primary concern. Volunteer compliance through town cleanups have been successful in the past, along with initiatives such as free yard waste drop off which is now in effect for the month of April. Properties are actively targeted on an ongoing basis with those properties causing safety hazards taking precedence. Detailed information can be found at rdck.ca under "Bylaw Enforcement and Dog Control".

7.3 Volunteer and Contractor Liability Insurance

Commissioner Cop led a follow-up discussion on whether volunteer insurance should be pursued by the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK). Volunteers under direction of RDCK staff are covered for liability, however WorkSafeBC coverage is not available. Currently, volunteers waive liability for personal injury when they assume their role. Standing offers are being set up which will list available contractors who meet the insurance requirements for working onsite at RDCK owned properties. Until standing offers take effect, individual contractors should have their WorkSafeBC coverage verified.

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That the commission requests RDCK staff to investigate the acquisition of volunteer injury insurance for volunteers completing duties with the RDCK.

Carried

7.4 Riondel Community Centre Development Report

The Community Centre Development Report has been submitted to Columbia Basin Trust (CBT). The Commission will meet to identify and prioritize immediate repairs, and larger projects that require CBT funding. Staff will reach out to CBT to ask how they would like the RDCK to communicate project priorities. Assessment of the foundation by a structural engineer will be completed.

7.5 Duct Cleaning

Chair Panio will send a request to RDCK staff to arrange for Kootenay Duct Cleaners to complete duct cleaning in the Riondel Community Centre. Commissioner Cop will verify MSDS sheets to ensure product ingredient transparency.

7.6 AED Defibrillator Maintenance

Riondel is anticipating a new community paramedic, as the former paramedic is no longer holding the position. Once someone is in place, the Commission will request their assistance with routine maintenance of the AED Defibrillator in the Riondel Community Centre.

7.7 Garbage Collection

Commissioner Lavigne will no longer pursue curbside refuse pickup through the RDCK, unless a referendum can be held and voted on by residents. Agreements can be made for garbage collection service outside of local government, however more defined information regarding service delivery parameters is needed to proceed.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Auditorium Usage Protocols

Chair Panio expressed the need for visibility on major activities at the Riondel Community Centre. All major activities will be added to the commission agenda for record in the minutes.

8.2 Recent Maintenance of the Riondel Community Centre

Chair Panio reviewed some of the recent maintenance work completed in the Riondel Community Centre including:

- Security grating on basement windows
- Painting and finishing doors
- Repair of building survey holes
- Additional painting as needed

- New boards for the front benches
- Reinforced arbor in front of building
- Fixed main access doors in auditorium

Chair Panio expressed his gratitude to Evan, James and Commissioner Anderson for their hard work and continued contributions.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was presented.

10. AREA A DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Jackman provided the Commission with the Area A Directors report.

Resident Directed CBT Funding Grants will be dispersed on April 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Boswell, with Area A receiving grants totaling \$36,316. Chair Panio thanked Director Jackman for answering the Commissions questions, and providing detailed information throughout the meeting.

11. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The March 2024 financial report for the Riondel Community Centre has been received. A verbal review was made by Chair Panio.

12. PUBLIC TIME

Chair Panio called for questions at 8:36 p.m. Three members of the public were present. No questions were presented.

13. NEXT MEETING

The next Riondel Commission meeting will be held on May 7, at 7:00 pm.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Riondel Commission meeting be adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Carried

