

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE RDEK BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 5, 2010

### Premier Thanked for Service

A letter will be sent to Premier Gordon Campbell thanking him for his service to the Province of British Columbia. Premier Campbell announced his resignation November 3.

Contact: *Scott Manjak* 250-426-4211  
*Board Chair*

### District Lot 48 Proposed Rezoning Postponed

As the owners of District Lot 48 work to finalize an agreement for the permanent protection of the property, the RDEK Board has postponed further consideration of Bylaws 1880 and 1881. The proposed re-zoning of District Lot 48 has been postponed for one year and the property owners have been requested to report back in November 2011.

Contact: *Scott Manjak* 250-426-4211  
*Board Chair*

### Proposed Boat Launch for Lake Koochanusa

Work continues to establish a public boat launch on Lake Koochanusa. Funding for construction is being raised provincially through various means and the intent is that the RDEK will take over operations and maintenance. An option being considered is to have the boat launch area designated as a forest service recreation site under provincial legislation. With this designation, the RDEK would enter into an agreement with the Province to manage the site. A letter will be sent to the appropriate Ministry advising the RDEK is amenable to entering into a management agreement for a designated forest recreation site for a boat launch conditional on service arrangements being made. RDEK staff will begin the process to establish a Koochanusa Regional Park service with participation from Electoral Areas A, B, and C, the Cities of Cranbrook and Fernie, and Districts of Sparwood and Elkford.

Contact: *Lee-Ann Crane* 250-489-2791  
*CAO*

### Ministry Thanked

A letter will be sent to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure thanking them for their work on upgrading the Avery Road lake access trail at St. Mary Lake.

Contact: *Norm Walter* 250-427-2577  
*Electoral Area E Director*

### Wilmer Community Club Contribution Service Moves Forward

A petition to provide an annual grant to the Wilmer Community Club was signed by 73% of the property owners representing 60% of the assessed value of land and improvements within the service area. The Bylaw to formally establish the Contribution Service has been given three readings by the Board and submitted for Ministry approval. The annual grant will go toward operating and maintenance costs of community amenities, including the community hall, parks, and playground.

Contact: *Shannon Moskal* 250-489-2791  
*Community Services Manager*

### Rockyview OCP & Wycliffe Zoning Bylaw

The Board gave third reading to the proposed new Rockyview Official Community Plan and the Wycliffe Zoning & Floodplain Management Bylaw. The Rockyview OCP will replace the 1982 Cranbrook Rural Official Settlement Plan and provides new direction and a framework for considering future development in the rural Cranbrook and Wycliffe areas. The Wycliffe Zoning & Floodplain Management Bylaw will replace the 1988 Wycliffe Land Use Bylaw and updates the development and floodplain regulations for the Wycliffe area. Both bylaws are the result of an 18 month public consultation process that included a variety of meetings, public surveys and participatory workshops. Both Bylaws are now awaiting the required provincial approvals and it is anticipated that they will be adopted early in the new year.

Contact: *Rob Gay* 250-489-4242  
*Electoral Area C Director*

### Bylaw Amendment—Panorama Mountain Village

The Board gave first and second reading to a proposed zoning bylaw amendment that will affect Panorama Mountain Village. The owners of Earl Gray Lodge have applied to amend the RES-3(TP), Resort Tourist Pension Zone to increase the maximum permitted size of a pension. In reviewing the proposed bylaw amendment, the Board will also be considering the discharge of a restrictive covenant registered on the title of the property that limits the overall size of Earl Gray Lodge. A public hearing will be held November 24 in Windermere.

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*Manager of Planning & Development Services*

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### New Utility Advisory Commission for Rushmere

The Rushmere Water Utility Advisory Commission has been formally established. Commission members Arist Bruemmer, Bruce Shand, Byron Schmidt and Stewart Zarowny have been appointed to two year terms. The Commission will provide recommendations and feedback to the Area F Director and RDEK Board on the operation and maintenance of the Rushmere Water System.

Contact: *Wendy Booth* 250-345-6155  
*Electoral Area F Director*

### Agreements Signed

The Chair and CAO have signed the Bulk Water Agreement with Parr Utilities Ltd. to receive and purchase bulk water for the Timber Ridge Water System Service Area.

The Chair and CAO have also signed the Emergency Connection Agreement with the Shuswap Band, Kinbasket Water & Sewer Company Ltd. and Parr Utilities Ltd. to ensure adequate fire flow is available for the Timber Heights area.

Contact: *Brian Funke* 250-489-2791  
*Engineering Services Manager*

### Jaffray Fire Boundaries Set to Expand

An amendment to the Jaffray Fire Protection Bylaw was given three readings and has been submitted for Ministry approval prior to coming back to the RDEK Board for adoption. The Bylaw will expand the service area to take in several properties in the Galloway strip area.

Contact: *Shannon Moskal* 250-489-2791  
*Community Services Manager*

### CRTC Requested to Address Lack of Cell Coverage

A letter will be sent to the CRTC expressing concern that Telus has not responded to any correspondence from the RDEK regarding cell phone service in the St. Mary Valley; and that the CRTC address the issues of lack of cell phone service, and the lack of response from Telus.

Contact: *Norm Walter* 250-427-2577  
*Electoral Area E Director*

### Discretionary Grants in Aid

The Third Annual Family Fishing Derby for Kids with Cancer will receive \$2218.90 to go toward the purchase of a large outdoor tent for the Derby, which will be held on January 9, 2011. The funding is conditional on the tent being available for use by other non-profit groups in the region and will come from the following DGIA accounts:

- Electoral Area A \$429.70
- Electoral Area B \$429.70
- Electoral Area C \$429.80
- Electoral Area E \$429.70
- Electoral Area F \$400.00
- Electoral Area G \$100.00

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*Electoral Area F Director*

*Gerry Wilkie* 250-347-9841  
*Electoral Area G Director*

The Miner's Walk Exhibit Steering Committee will receive \$3500 from the Electoral Area A DGIA account to go toward establishing an outdoor exhibit celebrating mining in the Fernie area.

Contact: *Mike Sosnowski* 250-423-1029  
*Electoral Area A Director*

The Columbia River Greenways Alliance will receive up to \$2000 to go toward the paving of a public pedestrian and cycling trail between the bridge at Athalmer and the Cross Roads at Highway 93/95. The funding will come from the Electoral Area F DGIA account.

Contact: *Wendy Booth* 250-345-6155  
*Electoral Area F Director*

The Edgewater Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion will receive \$75 from the Electoral Area G DGIA account to go toward the purchase of a Remembrance Day Wreath.

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*Electoral Area G Director*

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### *Other RDEK Happenings*

**November 10, 2010—Kimberley Rural Fire ADVANCE Voting**  
8:00am—8:00pm      **Marysville Community Church**  
730 - 302<sup>nd</sup> Street, Marysville, BC

**November 18, 2010—Kimberley Rural Fire ADVANCE Voting**  
8:00am—8:00pm      **Marysville Community Church**  
730 - 302<sup>nd</sup> Street, Marysville, BC

**November 20, 2010—Kimberley Rural Fire GENERAL Voting**  
8:00am—8:00pm      **Marysville Community Church—730 - 302<sup>nd</sup> Street, Marysville, BC**  
**Artha Rose Centre—5325 Staples Road, Wycliffe, BC**  
**Kimberley Pentecostal Church—8687 Hwy 95A, Meadowbrook, BC**

**November 23, 2010—Windermere Water Information Exchange Meeting**

The community of Windermere is welcome to attend an important information sharing meeting to discuss options for providing treated water to the community of Windermere and lifting the water quality advisory that has been in place since 2006.

**Tuesday, November 23, 2010— Windermere Community Hall**

**Session 1: 1:00 - 2:15pm**

**Session 2: 3:00 - 4:15pm**

**Session 3: 6:00 - 7:15pm**

Each session will begin with a brief overview by the Regional District. Those in attendance will then break out into working groups to share ideas and discuss options. We encourage the residents and property owners from Windermere to attend one of the three sessions and participate in this important information exchange.

**Public Hearings:**

**November 17, 2010**

**4:00pm—RDEK Board Room**

**Bylaw No. 2272 Wycliffe Land Use Bylaw No. 873, 1989 – Amendment Bylaw No. 15, 2010 (Wycliffe / Tull)**

**November 23, 2010**

**7:00pm—Jaffray Community Hall**

**Bylaw No. 2269—Jaffray, Tie Lake, Rosen Lake Land Use and Floodplain Management Bylaw No. 1414, 1999 – Amendment Bylaw No. 16, 2010 (Jaffray / Triple K Holdings Ltd)**

**November 24, 2010**

**7:00pm—Windermere Community Hall**

**Bylaw No. 2271—Upper Columbia Valley Zoning Bylaw No. 900, 1992 – Amendment Bylaw No. 255, 2010 (Panorama / Marshall)**  
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**Bylaw 2270—Upper Columbia Valley Zoning Bylaw No. 900, 1992 – Amendment Bylaw No. 254, 2010 (Luxor Spur Valley / Mottram)**

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