



# Around our Region



## Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors' Meetings for November 2019

### NOVEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> BOARD MEETING

#### DELEGATIONS

**Domenico Iannidinardo, Vice President Forest & Sustainability and Chief Forester, Mosaic Forest Management** – The delegation provided a presentation on Mosaic's 2018 Sustainability Report.

#### BOARD CHAIRPERSON ELECTIONS

The Board conducted elections for the positions of chairperson and vice-chairperson. John Jack was re-elected as chairperson & Josie Osborne was re-elected vice-chairperson for the next 12-month term.

#### ALBERNI VALLEY AGE-FRIENDLY PROJECT

The ACRD is working on an Age-Friendly Plan, focused on residents 55+ in the Alberni Valley Electoral Areas, but will consider all ages and abilities, as an age-friendly community benefits all people. The plan will include accessibility, transportation, housing, health care, food security, and recreation. For more information: [www.acrd.bc.ca/agefriendly](http://www.acrd.bc.ca/agefriendly). Check the website for a survey in early December.

#### BAMFIELD COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Board appointed Mr. Jerry Gassner to the volunteer position of Bamfield Community Emergency Program Coordinator; replacing Linda Myres after 23 years of service.

#### FIRST RESPONDER (FR) & BC EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES (BCEHS) COLLABORATION

The Board entered into an amended FR and BCEHS Collaboration Agreement with BCEHS for the Bamfield Volunteer Fire Department to provide emergency medical response services within the Bamfield fire protection service area and a portion of the Huu-ay-aht First Nation community.

### NOVEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup> BOARD MEETING

#### DELEGATIONS

**John Jack, Chairperson ACRD** - The delegation presented a recognition gift to Charles Starratt, Fire Chief, Beaver Creek Volunteer Fire Department for 36 years of service and 27 as Fire Chief.

**Mike Pearson, District Manager, Stefan Yancey, Operations Manager and Peter Webber, Transportation Planner, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Central Island Area** – The delegation presented an update on major projects including Cathedral Grove improvements. They provided information on a Highway 4 pullout, line painting Beaver Creek Road and River Bend bridge maintenance/rehab plan.

**Marcie DeWitt and Tracy Smyth, Consultants, Child Care Needs Assessment for the ACRD, 2019** – The delegation presented the key finding of the final report. They will be presenting the plan to local government who signed onto the plan. For more information and for the overview, visit the ACRD website <http://www.acrd.bc.ca>

**The Board received correspondence from the Central Westcoast Forest Society Board of Directors** – The Society appointed Director Kel Roberts to represent the ACRD on the Westcoast Forest Society for 2020.

**UBCM 2019 Housing Needs Report Grant Program** – The Board applied to the Housing Needs Report grant program to develop housing needs reports for the ACRD's electoral areas and confirmed the ACRD's willingness to provide overall grant management to the project.

**Development Procedures Bylaw** – Updates will be considered at the December 11, 2019 Board Meeting that would clarify how correspondence is received relating to public hearings and other development applications.

### Board of Directors

**Chair: John Jack**  
(Huu-ay-aht First Nation)

**Vice-Chair: Mayor Josie Osborne**  
(District of Tofino)

**Director Bob Beckett**  
(Electoral Area "A"  
Bamfield)

**Director Tanya Shannon**  
(Electoral Area "B"  
Beaufort)

**Director Kel Roberts**  
(Electoral Area "C"  
Long Beach)

**Director: Penny Cote**  
(Electoral Area "D"  
Sproat Lake)

**Director: John McNabb**  
(Electoral Area "E"  
Beaver Creek)

**Director Dianne Bodnar**  
(Electoral Area "F"  
Cherry Creek)

**Mayor Sharie Minions**  
(City of Port Alberni)

**Councillor Cindy Solda**  
(City of Port Alberni)

**Mayor Mayco Noël**  
(District of Ucluelet)

**Councillor Kirsten Johnsen**  
(Toquaht Nation)

**Councillor Wilfred Cootes**  
(Uchucklesaht Tribe  
Government)

**Councillor Alan McCarthy**  
(Yuułu?i?at̓ Government)

### Shift into Winter

With winter approaching, it's time to plan ahead for safe driving.

[ShiftintoWinter.ca](http://ShiftintoWinter.ca) provides free tips and resources on how to stay safe in different driving conditions.



**UPCOMING MEETINGS**—Wednesday, December 4, 2019, 9:00 am, Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting, Wednesday, December 11, 2019, 1:30 pm, Board of Directors Meeting followed by the Regional Hospital District meeting; ACRD Board Room.

An information report summarizing the Regular Board of Directors Meeting. This is not the official minutes. For more information visit the ACRD Website at [www.acrd.bc.ca](http://www.acrd.bc.ca) or contact the General Manager of Administration Services 250-720-2706 or e-mail [wthomson@acrd.bc.ca](mailto:wthomson@acrd.bc.ca).