



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

MINUTES OF THE BAMFIELD AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON June 3, 2025, 6:00 pm

Zoom

DIRECTORS

PRESENT: Bob Beckett, Chairperson, Director, Electoral Area “A” (Bamfield)
Moriah Cootes, Councillor, Uchucklesaht Tribe Government
John Mass, Community Volunteer
Bob Schmitt, Community Volunteer

REGRETS: John Jack, Chief Councillor, Huu-ay-aht First Nations
Christine Gruman, Community Volunteer
Lisa Bye, Community Volunteer

STAFF PRESENT: Jenny Brunn, General Manager of Community Services
Eddie Kunderman, Operations Manager
Heather Zenner, Manager of Administrative Services
Karen Freethy, Protective Services Manager
Mike Irg, General Manager of Planning and Development

The meeting can be viewed on the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District website at:
<https://www.acrd.bc.ca/events/3-6-2025/>

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

The Chair recognized this meeting is being held throughout the Nuu-chah-nulth territories.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: B. Schmitt

SECONDED: J. Mass

THAT the agenda be approved as amended to move agenda item 8(b) Bamfield Water Interruption verbal update in front of agenda item 5(a), and to move agenda item 5(b) West Bamfield Submarine Waterline to follow the Water Interruption verbal update.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS

4. MINUTES

a. Bamfield Area Services Committee Minutes – March 5, 2025

MOVED: J. Mass
SECONDED: M. Cootes

THAT the minutes of the Bamfield Area Services Committee meeting held on March 5, 2025 be adopted.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS

- b. Bamfield Water Interruption May 24-25 Verbal Update – K. Freethy and E. Kunderman

Karen Freethy, Protective Services Manager and Eddie Kunderman, Operations Manager provided an update on the water interruption in the Bamfield Water System that recently occurred in Bamfield the weekend of May 24 – 25, 2025.

6. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- b. **Update on West Bamfield Submarine Waterline, Brandon Powers, Great Pacific**

Brandon Powers, Civil Engineer from Great Pacific provided an update on the West Bamfield Submarine Waterline. Currently working on permitting with Department of Fisheries and Oceans. Anticipate waterline replacements will occur in October 2025 during an appropriate tidal window.

- a. **East Bamfield Parking, Nikki Schneider, Ministry of Transportation and Transit**

Nikki Schneider, Operations Manager with Ministry of Transportation and Transit and Mike Irg, General Manager of Planning and Development led a discussion on parking concerns in East Bamfield. Committee discussed the concerns with lack of parking in East Bamfield. Comments regarding safety, impact of West Side Development on East side parking. Committee discussed running a parking service by ACRD, which would first require the creation of a parking service (funded by the taxpayers). Ministry staff clarified that they cannot collect parking fees for parking on Ministry Right-of-Way. Ministry can't delegate this authority to ACRD, therefore any parking service would be required to be placed on private land allowing for fees to be collected.

7. REPORTS CONTINUED

- a. East Bamfield Parking Update, Maps and Verbal Update – M. Irg

Committee will take photos of problem areas and send to Mike Irg (where parking signs could be installed, location of existing paid parking lots, where barriers would be beneficial to prevent unsafe parking). John Mass and Bob Schmitt have offered to meet with Ministry staff who will be in town next week.

c. **Bamfield Water System 2024 Annual Report**

Eddie Kunderman, Operations Manager provided an overview of the Bamfield Water System 2024 Annual Report. Committee discussed contribution to capital and the funding gap, as well as the desire for a reservoir on the West Side.

d. **Bamfield Waste Management Service and Cost Analysis**

Jenny Brunn, General Manager of Community Services provided an overview of the Bamfield Waste Management Services and Cost Analysis. Discussed alternative ways to deal with waste in West Bamfield as well as with transient operators. Discussion regarding commercial business and how they deal with their waste. ACRD can request that commercial businesses provide a waste management plan by way of bylaw, further exploration on this issue is required.

MOVED: B. Schmitt

SECONDED: J. Mass

THAT the Bamfield Area Services Committee receives reports a-d.

CARRIED

8. **CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION/INFORMATION**

9. **REQUEST FOR DECISIONS**

10. **LATE BUSINESS**

11. **QUESTION PERIOD**

Questions/Comments from the public. The Manager of Administrative Services advised there were no questions or comments respecting an agenda topic from public:

- Participating in the Zoom webinar
- Submissions received by email at responses@acrd.bc.ca.

12. **ADJOURN**

THAT the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Bob Beckett

Bob Beckett,
Chairperson

Heather Zenner

Heather Zenner,
Manager of Administrative Services