



# Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2021

Due to COVID-19, the meeting will be held via Zoom Video Conferencing and will be livestreamed on the ACRD website at:  
<https://www.acrd.bc.ca/events/25-8-2021/>

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### AGENDA

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<b>1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u></b> <i>(immediately following the ACRD Board Meeting)</i>	
<b>Recognition of Territories.</b>	
Notice to attendees and delegates that this meeting is being recorded and livestreamed to YouTube on the Regional District Website.	
<b>2. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u></b> <i>(motion to approve, including late items requires 2/3 majority vote)</i>	
<b>3. <u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES</u></b>	
a. <b>Board of Directors Meeting – July 28, 2021</b>	3-5
<i>THAT the minutes of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District Board of Directors held on July 28, 2021 be adopted.</i>	
<b>4. <u>PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS &amp; PRESENTATIONS (10-minute maximum)</u></b>	
<b>5. <u>CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION</u></b>	
a. <b>Correspondence dated July 29, 2021 from the City of Langley regarding Improvement to Pre-Hospital Care System.</b>	6-7
<i>THAT this correspondence be received for information.</i>	
<b>6. <u>REQUEST FOR DECISIONS &amp; BYLAWS</u></b>	

**7. REPORTS**

- a. Bamfield Health Centre – B. Beckett
- b. Alberni-Clayoquot Continuing Care Society – J. McNabb
- c. West Coast Native Health Care Society – P. Cote
- d. Tofino General Hospital – West Coast Directors
- e. Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network – P. Cote
- f. West Coast General Hospital – Alberni Valley Directors
- g. Other Reports

*THAT the Regional Hospital Board of Directors receives reports a-g.*

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**9. LATE BUSINESS**

**10. QUESTION PERIOD**

**Questions/Comments from the public participating in the Zoom meeting.**

**Questions/Comments from the Public, respecting an agenda item, can be emailed to the ACRD at [responses@acrd.bc.ca](mailto:responses@acrd.bc.ca) and will be read out by the Corporate Officer at the meeting.**

**11. ADJOURN**



# Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 2021

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, meeting conducted via Zoom video/phone conferencing

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- DIRECTORS PRESENT:** John McNabb, Chairperson, Director, Electoral Area "E" (Beaver Creek)  
John Jack, Vice-Chairperson, Councillor, Huu-ay-aht First Nation  
Bob Beckett, Director, Electoral Area "A" (Bamfield)  
Tanya Shannon, Director, Electoral Area "B" (Beaufort)  
Kel Roberts, Director, Electoral Area "C" (Long Beach)  
Penny Cote, Director, Electoral Area "D" (Sproat Lake)  
Dianne Bodnar, Director, Electoral Area "F" (Cherry Creek)  
Ron Paulson, Councillor, City of Port Alberni  
Rachelle Cole, Councillor, District of Ucluelet  
Tom Stere, Councillor, District of Tofino
- REGRETS:** Alan McCarthy, Member of Legislature, Yuułu?it?ath Government  
Wilfred Cootes, Councillor, Uchucklesaht Tribe Government  
Kirsten Johnsen, Councillor, Toquaht Nation  
Sharie Minions, Mayor, City of Port Alberni
- STAFF PRESENT:** Douglas Holmes, Chief Administrative Officer  
Teri Fong, Chief Financial Officer  
Mike Irg, General Manager of Planning and Development  
Jenny Brunn, General Manager of Community Services  
Wendy Thomson, General Manager of Administrative Services  
Julia Martin, Administrative Assistant

The meeting can be viewed on the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District website at <https://www.acrd.bc.ca/events/28-7-2021/>

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 4:36 pm.

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

The Chairperson reported this meeting is being recorded and livestreamed to YouTube on the Regional District website.

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*MOVED: Director Roberts*  
*SECONDED: Director Shannon*

*THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**a. Board of Directors Meeting – June 9, 2021**

*MOVED: Director Cote*  
*SECONDED: Director Beckett*

*THAT the minutes of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District meeting held on June 9, 2021 be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

**4. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION/INFORMATION**

**5. REQUEST FOR DECISIONS & BYLAWS**

**6. REPORTS**

**a. Bamfield Health Centre – B. Beckett – No Report**

**b. Alberni-Clayoquot Continuing Care Society – J. McNabb – No Report**

**b. West Coast Native Health Care Society – P. Cote**

Director Cote reported on the groundbreaking last month for the 40 unit low cost housing project.

**c. Tofino General Hospital – West Coast Directors**

Director Stere reported they have a new site manager, Krys Sciberras. They continue to have a critical issue with lack of housing, they are having difficulty recruiting staff due to the housing shortage.

Director Cole reported that the helipad at West Coast General Hospital will be closed effective midnight on August 8<sup>th</sup> in order to facilitate renovations to the emergency room and it is anticipated the helipad will remain closed until the December of 2022. In lieu of that, they will utilize fixed wing at the Alberni Valley Regional Airport.

**e. Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network – P. Cote – No Report**

**f. West Coast General Hospital – Alberni Valley Directors – No Report**

**g. Other Reports**

*MOVED: Director Roberts*

*SECONDED: Director Shannon*

*THAT the Regional Hospital Board of Directors receives reports a-g.*

**CARRIED**

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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**9. QUESTION PERIOD**

Questions/Comments from the public. The Corporate Officer advised there were no questions or comments from the public respecting an agenda topic from Zoom webinar attendees or submissions received by email at [responses@acrd.bc.ca](mailto:responses@acrd.bc.ca).

**10. ADJOURN**

*MOVED: Director Roberts*

*SECONDED: Director Jack*

*THAT this meeting be adjourned at 4:42 pm.*

**CARRIED**

Certified Correct:

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John McNabb,  
Chairperson

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Wendy Thomson,  
General Manager of Administrative Services

File: 0110.00

July 29, 2021

Honourable Premier John Horgan  
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Dear Premier Horgan and Minister Dix:

**Re: Improvement to Pre-Hospital Care System**

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At its July 26, 2021 Regular Council meeting, the Council for the City of Langley adopted the following resolution regarding the above-referenced subject.

**WHEREAS** local governments have been raising concerns of long delays with ambulance response time and First Responders responding to increasing number of Medical Emergency Service Alarm (MESA) calls due to lack of inadequate number of ambulances being available.

**WHEREAS** the recent heat wave exacerbated the shortcoming of the pre-hospital care system which created unacceptable delays in ambulance response time.

**WHEREAS** First Responders had to respond to extraordinary number of Medical Emergency Service Alarm (MESA) calls during the recent heat wave and endured unreasonable delays in response time by the ambulance to release them from the calls.

**WHEREAS** First Responders play an essential role in the pre-hospital care system and in supporting BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) with the delivery of the quickest possible response to patients requiring time-critical care.

**WHEREAS** the Auditor General of British Columbia's report, published in February 2019, on Access to Emergency Health Services provided recommendations to make transformational changes to the pre-hospital care system.

**WHEREAS** Health Minister Adrian Dix announced on July 14, 2021 to improve ambulance response time by providing funding for 85 new full-time paramedics, 30 fulltime dispatchers, 22 new ambulances, and converting 22 rural ambulance stations to 24/7 ALPHA stations.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Province of BC and BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) immediately allocate the funding to improve ambulance response

time; and to improve coordination with fire departments to support consistent application of medical standards, information sharing, an integrated dispatch system, and improvements to patient care as recommended in the Auditor General report.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Minister Dix take concrete actions to treat First Responders as an equal and an integral partner of the pre-hospital care system with adequate support (e.g. training) and resources (e.g. cost recovery) in order to achieve this goal; and that this motion be forward to Premier John Horgan; Minister Adrian Dix, Minister of Health; Andrew Mercier, MLA Langley, Susan Wannamaker, Executive Vice President, Clinical Service Delivery, Provincial Health Services Authority; and All municipalities in BC.

Yours truly,  
CITY OF LANGLEY



Paula Kusack  
Deputy Corporate Officer

cc: Andrew Mercier, MLA Langley  
Susan Wannamaker, Executive Vice President, Clinical Service Delivery,  
Provincial Health Services Authority  
All municipalities in BC.