



Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors Meetings - January 2023

JANUARY 11 MEETING

ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT HEALTH NETWORK

Marcie DeWitt, Health Network Coordinator, provided an overview of the history of the Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network. She also presented their annual activities report. The Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network is working to change systems and increase health equity. For more information, visit their website at <https://achn.ca/>

PORT ALBERNI AQUATICS FEASIBILITY STUDY

The Board of Directors endorsed the creation of the Alberni Valley Aquatic Centre Advisory Committee. The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to provide a forum for community members, First Nations, elected representatives, and project staff to share information and gather input on various aspects of the potential aquatics facility in the Alberni Valley.

2023 BC ASSESSMENT VALUES

The Board of Directors received an information report from the Chief Financial Officer on the recently released 2023 assessment roll and impacts to jurisdictions with the region.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Board of Directors Meeting - February 8, 1:30 pm, followed by the Regional Hospital District Meeting - ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

Committee of the Whole - February 9, 10 am, ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

Open House - Draft 2023-2027 Financial Plan - February 13, 5 pm, in-person presentation at 7 pm at Cherry Creek Hall.

Committee of the Whole - February 22, 10 am, ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

Board of Directors Meeting - February 22, 1:30 pm - ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

All meetings are held in the ACRD boardroom and virtually. Visit the Regional District website at www.acrd.bc.ca for further details on public participation in meetings. Input on upcoming meetings may be emailed to: responses@acrd.bc.ca

JANUARY 25 MEETING

INTRODUCTION TO NEW STAFF

The Board of Directors were introduced to Kerri Waugh, the ACRD's new Administrative Assistant and Amy Needham, the ACRD's new Junior Planner.

DELEGATIONS

Staff Sergeant Mike Thompson provided an overview of the quarterly policing statistics for the Port Alberni RCMP. He indicated there has been an eight per cent increase in calls for the quarter compared to 2021.

VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH FILM COMMISSION REQUEST

The Board of Directors approved a letter of support requested from The Vancouver Island North Film Commission for their grant applications to the Rural Economic Diversification Infrastructure Program and Coast Economic Trust.

2023 STANDING/SELECT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE AGENCIES

In January of each year, the Board of Directors reviews and reconfirms appointments to their Select and Standing Committees. In addition, they also make appointments to various outside organizations including the North Island 911 Corporation, Vancouver Island Regional Library Board, and Island Coastal Economic Trust. The 2023 appointments can be viewed on the Regional District website at <https://www.acrd.bc.ca/committee-lists>.

2023 PARCEL TAX REVIEW PANEL

The Board of Directors appointed three Directors to the 2023 Tax Roll Review Panel: Director Beckett, Director Haggard and Director Boyko. The date for the Parcel Tax Roll Review sitting was set for Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 1:30 pm. The Panel will be authenticating the parcel tax assessment rolls for 2023.

ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES CONTRACT

The Board resolved to enter into an animal control services contract with the BCSPCA in the amount of \$9,000 for a one-year term. Regional District staff will bring back a proposed dangerous dog collection and seizure policy and steps to amend the establishing bylaws for Sproat Lake and Cherry Creek to an Electoral Directors Committee meeting in spring 2023.

FIVE-YEAR BUILDING INSPECTION AGREEMENT WITH HUU-AY-AHT FIRST NATIONS

The Board of Directors entered into a five-year agreement with HUU-ay-aht First Nations to provide building inspection services.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair: John Jack
Huu-ay-aht First Nations

Director Susan Roth
Electoral Area "E" Beaver Creek

Director Bob Beckett
Electoral Area "A" Bamfield

Director Fred Boyko
Electoral Area "B" Beaufort

Director Vaida Siga
Electoral Area "C" Long Beach

Director: Penny Cote
Electoral Area "D" Sproat Lake

Vacant
Electoral Area "F" Cherry Creek

Mayor Sharie Minions
City of Port Alberni

Councillor Debbie Haggard
City of Port Alberni (vice-chair)

Councillor Tom Stere
District of Tofino

Mayor Marilyn McEwen
District of Ucluelet

Councillor Kirsten Johnsen
Toquaht Nation

Councillor Wilfred Cootes
Uchucklesaht Tribe
Government

Councillor Jenny Touchie,
Member of Legislature
Yuułu?i!atḥ Government

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