



## Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors Meetings - April 2024

### April 10 & 24 MEETINGS

#### GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION SUPPORTED

The Board of Directors provided support for staff to move ahead with the grant funding application to the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Community Emergency Preparedness Program Fund (CEPF) for up to \$30,000 for Public Notifications and Evacuation Route Planning. Staff will be engaging other community partners and stakeholders in the application process.

#### WEST COAST TRANSIT FEE BYLAW IN PLACE

The West Coast Transit fees and charges were implemented after three readings and adoption of Bylaw No. F1166, West Coast Transit Fees and Charges Bylaw, 2024. The West Coast Transit service grand opening celebration was held on April 9, 2024, with the first scheduled transit beginning on April 2, 2024.

#### AGRICULTURAL LAND USE PLANNING

The Board of Directors will be inviting representatives of the Land Use and Geospatial Unit of BC Ministry of Agriculture and Food to present on Agricultural Land Use Planning and the legislative tools available for consideration by local government at an upcoming meeting.

#### FUNDING FOR UPGRADES TO HALL IN BEAVER CREEK

Community Works Funding in the amount of \$48,000 will be provided to the Beaver Creek Community Club for upgrades to the Beaver Creek Community Hall.

#### 2023 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS APPROVED

KPMG presented the 2023 Audited Financial Statements to the Board and the statements were approved as presented.

#### AQUATIC CENTRE FINAL REPORT COMPLETE

The Alberni Valley Aquatic Centre Feasibility Study Final Report was provided to the Board, and the Alberni Valley Aquatic Centre Advisory Committee has been dissolved as a select committee as they have completed their mandate. Direction was provided to staff at the February 28, 2024, Board of Directors meeting for how to move forward with the work for the Aquatic Centre.

#### WORKING TOGETHER ON INCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE

The ACRD continues to work with six non-Treaty First Nations and other partners, with support from the province to advance Inclusive Governance in the region.

#### LEASES:

- PWTransit for lease lot LS-L2024-008 at Long Beach Airport (CYAZ) effective April 1, 2024-March 30, 2025

#### PERMITS

The Board considered issuing the following permits at a future meeting, subject to notifying neighbouring properties:

- DVD23012 (Sproat Lake), TUP23006 (Sproat Lake)

The Board issued the following permits:

- TUP23007 (Long Beach), DVE24001 (Beaver Creek), TUP20004R (Beaver Creek)

#### REZONING AND BYLAWS

- Rezoning Applications: RE23014 (Beaver Creek)
- Bylaws P1475, P1476 and P1483 had their second and third readings

#### LETTERS OF SUPPORT:

- Riders of Alberni Valley's application for a land use agreement with the Province of BC to maintain and possibly build multi-use trails on Crown Land around the Maquinna trail system.
- Wesco Food Society for their application to the Critical Food Infrastructure Grant offered by the United Way, BC to support remote communities on Vancouver Island to access locally produced food and local food production opportunities.

The next meetings of the ACRD Board of Directors takes place on May 22 in the Ucluelet Council Chambers.



### CUT BROOM IN BLOOM!

Now is the time. Check Broombusters' website for technique and contacts. Local volunteers would love your help. [www.broombusters.org](http://www.broombusters.org)

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