ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT

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Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors Meetings - October 2026

OCTOBER 15

DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- The Board of Directors held a moment of silence in memory and honour of former Long Beach Director Tony Bennett who recently passed away. Tony served on the ACRD Board from 1999 to 2018, representing Electoral Area "C" (Long Beach) for nearly two decades.
  - Later in the meeting, the Board of Directors requested staff include a memorial bench for Tony Bennett in 2027 budget discussions.
- The Board of Directors recognized the 10th anniversary of Toquaht Nation's membership on the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors, having joined on October 1, 2016. The anniversary will be commemorated on December 9, 2026.
- The Board of Directors recognized the dedicated service of retiring Sproat Lake Electoral Area Director Penny Cote, who served on the ACRD Board for more than 20 years. They also acknowledged retiring Bamfield Electoral Area Director Bob Beckett, who served on the Board for eight years. Their contributions and commitment to the region were acknowledged and celebrated.
- Abu Hasan Muhammed Jahangir, the project lead for Alberni Valley National Training Centre Development Consortium, made a presentation requesting a letter of support for the BC Soccer Youth Provincial Championships Hosting Bid. The Board of Directors passed a resolution to provide a letter of support.



Penny Cote accepts a gift from Board Chair John Jack (far right), Vice Chair Debbie Haggard (right), and Daniel Sailland (far left), with her husband Brian by her side (left). (Bob Beckett attended remotely, so no photo is available).

REQUEST FOR DECISIONS

- The Board of Directors adopted bylaw cited as "*Bylaw F1174-4, 2026 to 2030 Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Financial Plan Amendment*". The Board of Directors then approved an additional $4,100 be added to the Sproat Lake Community Hall Association Grant-in-Aid for the Water Supply Well from the 2026 Sproat Lake Electoral Area Grants-in-aid category.

PLANNING MATTERS

- Rezoning and Bylaws
  - Denied
    - **RA23018** – Cape Beale Trail (Bamfield)

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Huu-ay-aht First Nations
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Councillor Tom Stere
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