



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

MAY 13 & 27, 2026

DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Kylie Pettifer, Community Project and Engagement Manager for the ACRD, presented the Area "C" (Long Beach) Official Community Plan to the Board of Directors.
- Tai Uhlmann, Senior Project Manager for Synergy Foundation, and Christopher Cameron, Consulting Director with Qatalyst Research Group, made a presentation regarding the Workforce Development Plan to support economic transition, retrain workers, boost participation, and enable circular economy growth through targeted action and funding.

PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

- Doug Hedman, a resident of the Beaver Creek Electoral Area, provided input regarding agenda item 12.1.b Temporary Use Permit TUP26001, requesting that a public hearing be considered for this Temporary Use Permit application.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION & INFORMATION

- The Board of Directors voted to forward the CC-130H Hercules fleet resolution to the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre (CIFFC).
- The Board of Directors will provide a letter of support in favour of AC Taxi's application for amendment to their existing Passenger Transportation License to include Bamfield as an approved service area.

REQUEST FOR DECISIONS

- The Board of Directors endorsed the UBCM Community to Community program funding application to support the development of Memoranda of Understanding with Tseshaht First Nation and Hupačasath First Nation, for the purpose of establishing a shared governance framework for the Alberni Valley Regional Airport.
- The Board of Directors approved a 10-year groundside lease, with a 10-year right of first renewal, under lease LS-A2025008, with the Vancouver Island Soaring Centre Ltd. for Lot 15 at the Alberni Valley Regional Airport.
- The Board of Directors approved a 10-year extension, with a 10-year right of first renewal, to the existing airside lease under lease LS-A2025004, with the Vancouver Island Soaring Centre Ltd. for Lot 10 at the Alberni Valley Regional Airport.
- The Board of Directors approved a 10-year lease renewal for Ken Schuurman at 7476 Airport Road .
- The Board of Directors approved a 10-year lease renewal for Craigs Enterprises at 7468 Airport Road and 7462 Airport Road.
- The Board of Directors approved the 2026-27 Annual Operating Agreement between BC Transit and the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District for the Alberni Valley Custom and West Coast Conventional Transit systems.
- 2026 Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Convention meeting requests:
 - The Board of Directors passed a motion to include representatives from the District of Tofino, District of Ucluelet, and West Coast Indigenous leaders with an option to attend a meeting with Minister Ma, Ministry of Infrastructure or any other meetings, including Ministry of Health and Island Health, regarding the Tofino General Hospital project.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Toquaht Nation

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Uchucklesaht Tribe Government

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For more information, visit the ACRD Website (www.acrd.bc.ca) or contact the Manager of Administrative Services at 250-720-2731 or e-mail hzenner@acrd.bc.ca.

**MAY 13 & 27, 2026 (CONTINUED)****REQUEST FOR DECISIONS (CONTINUED)**

- 2026 Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Convention meeting requests (continued):
 - The Board of Directors will request a meeting with:
 - Minister Boyle, Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs, regarding legislative reform to address challenges faced by Regional Districts and Electoral Area Directors in governance and current limitations
 - Minister Parmar, Ministry of Forests; Minister Greene, Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness; Minister Anderson, Ministry of State for Local Governments and Rural Communities; and Minister Boyle, Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs regarding response to wildfires in the region
 - Minister Farnworth, Ministry of Transportation and Transit regarding alternate routes
 - Minister Neill, Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship regarding a provincial water plan, drought, Sproat Lake weirs, Great Central Lake dam and flood mapping
 - Minister Boyle, Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs and other Ministries regarding legislative protection for elected officials to attend meetings when in local government
 - § Provincial Ministry, Agency, Commission and Corporation staff from BC Transit regarding Custom Transit Services and Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs regarding incorporation models
 - George Anderson, Parliamentary Secretary for Transit and senior staff, regarding interregional transit

PLANNING MATTERS

- Development Variance Applications:
 - Issued subject to conditions:
 - **DVD26002** - Sproat Lake
- Permits deferred
 - Temporary Use Permits:
 - **TUP26001** - Beaufort
- Permits issued
 - Development Variance Applications:
 - **DVD25012** - Sproat Lake
 - **SD25008PFW** - waive the 10% road frontage requirement, as per section 512 of the Local Government Act
 - **DVE25013** - Beaver Creek
 - Temporary Use Permits:
 - **TUP25017** - Sproat Lake
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 - **TUP25016** - Bamfield - with amendment that it is for 15-month term
- Rezoning and Bylaws
 - Considered a first time and proceeding to public hearing:
 - **Area "C" Official Community Plan Bylaw No. P1539, 2026** - in conjunction with the ACRD 2026-2030 Financial Plan and ACRD's Solid Waste Management Plan Bylaw No. R1020
 - Denied
 - **RF24008** - Cherry Creek
 - Approved:
 - **RF24015** - Cherry Creek
 - Misc. Referral - Memorandum:
 - **MISC26003**, COWICHAN VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT BYLAW NO. 4705 REFERRAL - Board of Directors direct staff to provide a referral response to the Cowichan Valley Regional District's OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 4705 to advise that the ACRD's interests are unaffected.

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

- The Board of Directors awarded the ACRD Community Wildfire Resiliency Plans contract to Frontera Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$127,840.00 (excluding GST).

Honouring June 21 together

In recognition of National Indigenous Peoples Day, the Alberni Valley Sort'nGo Centre will be CLOSED on June 21.

Services will resume as usual on June 22.



Please plan accordingly.

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