



Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors Meetings - July/August 2022

JULY 13 SPECIAL MEETING

WEST COAST ORGANICS CONSTRUCTION TENDER

The Board of Directors agreed to award the West Coast Organic Processing Facility and Tipping Area Construction - Civic Works contract to Hazelwood Construction Services Inc., in the amount of \$2,612,848.35. The contract is to construct an organics processing facility at the West Coast Landfill to support the diversion of organic waste from the landfill.

JULY 27 MEETING

UPDATE ON CRIME STATISTICS FROM THE RCMP

The RCMP delivered a report of activity for the second quarter (April to June). Overall, numbers increased over the same quarter in 2021. They responded to 633 calls in the ACRD and 2,857 in the City of Port Alberni. Criminal offences were up by eight per cent, property crime offences were up 37 per cent, and person offences were up 10 per cent, all compared to 2021.

SHOWING SUPPORT TO ISLAND CORRIDOR

The Board of Directors will offer a letter of support from the Island Corridor Foundation following an update on their efforts to ensure the future of the corridor. The Board requests that Federal and Provincial governments work together to reach its goals.

LOG TRAIN TRAIL REGIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT

The Log Train Regional Park Management Plan contract was awarded to Murdoch De Greeff Inc. in the amount of \$48,350, over a six-month-period. They will develop and deliver a park management plan for the trail. A new plan is required to replace the 1993 Regional Linear Park Management Plan and guide development of operations and capital projects over the next 10 to 20 years.

ACRD AND ACRHD AUDIT SERVICES AWARDED

The ACRD and Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District (ACRHD) Audit Services contract was awarded to KPMG LLP in the amount of \$181,800 over a five-year term, commencing August 1, 2022.

TIPPING FEES WAIVED FOR ONE YEAR FOR MOSAIC

The Board approved a one-year standing tipping fee waiver to Mosaic Forest Management to receive loads of illegally dumped waste collected by Mosaic Forest Management at the Alberni-Valley Landfill.

AUGUST 24 MEETING

REMUNERATION, EXPENSES, AND BENEFITS

The Board of Directors approved the Board Remuneration, Expenses, and Benefits Bylaw. This will put into place a 15 per cent increase for director wages, effective following the 2022 election. This follows the recommendations of an independent review committee. The bylaw can be reviewed at <http://bitly.ws/u4v7>.

MAPLEHURST PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Regional District will apply for a license of occupation and a nominal Rent Tenure Lease with the Province of BC for a parking facility within Ministry of Transportation Right of Way and Crowns lands at the end of Willow Road.

Next steps - Staff will prepare a project plan for establishing a secondary access to Maplehurst Park in Cherry Creek and continue to work with Tseshaht First Nation and Hupacasath First Nation around appropriate park signage and naming for Maplehurst Park. The Board directed staff to pursue Maplehurst trail expansion on adjacent Crown Lands in Beaver Creek Electoral Area.

HOLE IN THE WALL PARKING PLANS

The Board of Directors instructed staff to coordinate discussions with interested parties around examining options for safe parking near Stokes Falls for access to Hole in the Wall.

NEW LEASE FOR ALBERNI VALLEY LANDFILL

The Board directed staff to enter into a license of Occupation with the Province for the Alberni Valley Landfill for a five-year term. They also directed staff to allocate resources in the 2023-2027 Draft Financial Plan to support meaningful engagement with First Nations during the Alberni Valley Landfill Long-Term Tenure Application Process.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Board of Directors Meeting - September 28, 1:30 pm, followed by the Regional Hospital District - ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

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