



## Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors Meetings - September/October 2022

### SEPTEMBER 7 SPECIAL MEETING

#### ACRD/PORT ALBERNI AQUATICS FEASIBILITY STUDY

The Board of Directors agreed to award the Aquatics Feasibility Study contract to HCMA Architecture and Design in the amount of \$92,010 over a 12- to 14-month term, commencing Nov. 1, 2022. The CAO will negotiate and execute the study on behalf of the Regional District. The study will address the current and future needs and options for an aquatic facility in the Alberni Valley.

#### SLVFD SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS

The Board exempted the purchase of 18 self-contained breathing apparatus from the ACRD's Purchasing Policy Request for Proposal process and authorized staff to take on the request for quotation process. They also delegated purchasing authority to the CAO, as long as it is within the budgeted amount of \$206,510.

### SEPTEMBER 28 MEETING

#### UPDATE ON SPROAT LAKE MARINE PATROL (SLMP)

Marlena Locke, lead hand for the SLMP, presented an overview of the 2022 season and the results of the survey they conducted. She said the season was busy and went well. The survey results showed that most people saw the SLMP as an asset and their physical presence on the lake was most valuable. The biggest concern was the condition of the boat launch, but people were also concerned with an increasing amount of damage by boaters coming too close to shore. The Board supported the SLMP's application for a grant with Transport Canada - Boating Safety Contribution Program for a three-year term.

#### GOLF CLUBS GIVEN TAX EXEMPTION FOR 2023

The ACRD will offer the Alberni Valley Golf Club and the Long Beach Recreation Cooperative a permissive tax exemption for non-profit organizations offering public athletic or recreational services. This is granted under Bylaw No. F1156 for 2023 and is based on the contributions made to their community.

#### FIRESMART CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

FireSmart Critical Infrastructure Mitigation Activities received approval from the Board to contract Wildfire Property Protection Ltd. in the amount of \$55,950 over two months. The contract includes implementation of FireSmart improvements to the Beaver Creek North and Kitsuksis Reservoirs, East and West Bamfield Fire Halls, and the Bamfield Water Treatment Plant.

### OCTOBER 13 MEETING

#### SUPPORTING ALBERNI VALLEY DRAG RACING

The Board of Directors agreed to write a letter of support to the Alberni Valley Drag Racing Association (AVDRA) for their formal proposal to Mosaic for a drag racing track at the Link Mill Site in the ACRD.

#### EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE FUNDING

The Regional District awarded the Emergency Operations Centre Procedure, Training, and Exercises contract to Calian Ltd in the amount of \$36,861.05 over a nine-month term, commencing on October 21, 2022. The purpose of this contract is to deliver Emergency Operations Centre procedure development training and exercises to staff, First Nations, volunteers, and emergency agencies across the region.

#### PARTNERING WITH ALBERNI VALLEY BULLDOGS

The Board approved a 2022/23 Promotional Partnership Package with the Alberni Valley Bulldogs for marketing and community outreach. The cost of the promotional activities must not exceed \$10,500.

#### SUPPORTING GRAPPLER INLET WHARF TENURE

The Board approved supporting the Ministry of Forest, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development in their application for tenure on approximately 0.605 hectares of Marine Crown Land in the vicinity of Grappler Inlet for the purpose of a public wharf expansion under the Bamfield Community Parks Service.

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Inaugural Board of Directors Meeting** - November 9, 1:30 pm, followed by the Regional Hospital District - ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

**Board of Directors Meeting** - November 23, 1:30 pm - ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

**Electoral Area Directors Committee Meeting** - November 30, 1:30 pm - ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

**Alberni Valley and Bamfield Services Committee Meeting** - November 30, 10 am - ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

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