

Kelowna News

RDCO Board highlights

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The following are highlights from the Regional District of Central Okanagan meeting held Monday, February 21, 2011.

Rezoning at La Casa Lakeside Resort - The Regional Board has given second and third readings to proposed Official Community Plan and Rezoning bylaws for the strata at La Casa Lakeside Resort. The application would allow development of an outdoor swimming pool, a workshop and recognize an existing outdoor storage yard on a 1.47-hectare parcel adjacent to Terazona Drive that is included in a 30-year Crown lease.

Fire Protection Agreement - The Regional Board has adopted an amendment to the bylaw that will extend the Lakeshore Fire Protection service area boundary. A recently rezoned 50-hectare property along the south end of Lakeshore Road will be added to the service area. Through an agreement with the Regional District, the City of Kelowna will provide fire protection to the expanded service area.

Water Board Grant Application - The Regional Board has endorsed the submission of three applications for funding to the Okanagan Basin Water Board Water Conservation and Quality Improvement program.

- RDCO \$25,000 for Silvopasture Pilot Project Water Stewardship Phase 1
- Okanagan Xeriscape Association \$30,000 to promote xeriscapes to reduce outdoor water consumption
- Benvoulin Water Users Community \$30,000 for fish screening and streamflow protection planning along Benvoulin ditch.

January Building Statistics - During January, the Development Services Inspections Section approved five building permits for projects worth \$690,500 in the Central Okanagan East Electoral Area. That compares with eight permits issued in the first month of 2010 for projects in the Central Okanagan East and West Electoral Areas worth \$643,000.

SILGA Resolution - The Regional Board has agreed to send a resolution to the Southern Interior Local Government Association convention. It asks that the Provincial Government cooperate with local governments, the aggregate industry and residents in developing and implementing regional plans identifying sites that are suitable and not suitable for extraction and that the Province provide financial support for completion of those plans and the authority for local governments to implement them.

Next Regional Board Meeting - The next regular meeting of the Regional Board is scheduled for Monday, March 21st, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Woodhaven Room at the Regional District office, 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna. Residents are welcome to attend.

Governance and Services Meeting - The Governance and Services Committee will meet Thursday, March 10th,

2011 at 8:30 am in the Woodhaven Board Room at the Regional District office, 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna. Residents are welcome to attend. Following this meeting, the Regional Board will gather to address any items arising from the preceding committee meeting.