



## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN

### INFORMATION RELEASE

October 1, 2020

Updates from the RDOS committee and board meetings of Thursday, October 1

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#### **Planning and Development Committee Meeting**

Solar Energy Systems

Zoning Bylaw Amendment Electoral Areas "D", "E", "F" & "I"

The RDOS committee supported a motion to initiate a public consultation process to discuss proposed amendments to Bylaw No. 2911 (Solar Energy Systems Amendment Bylaw.) The proposed amendments include maximum height limits on ground-mounted and roof-mounted solar energy systems.

Regulation of Metal Storage Containers

Zoning Bylaw Amendment Electoral Areas "A", "C", "D", "E", "F" & "I"

The RDOS committee supported the advancement of Bylaw No. 2895, which would see amendments to the zoning bylaw including introducing a minimum parcel size requirement of 0.5 ha to place a storage container on a property. The requirement to add cladding and roofing would be replaced with one to paint a container the same colour as the principal dwelling in low-density residential zones. Additional changes include prohibiting the placement of a container between the front parcel line of a property and the principal dwelling in residential (RS) zones, and allowing the placement of storage containers for a period of one-month for temporary storage of household goods. The bylaw will now proceed to the Board for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> readings followed by an opportunity for residents to provide feedback.

#### **Okanagan Similkameen Regional Hospital Board District (OSRHD) Meeting**

The Okanagan Similkameen Regional Hospital District (OSRHD) received notice the incumbent chair has been replaced by the Town of Oliver and the position was declared vacant. The OSRHD also received notice the incumbent vice-chair has taken leave to the end of the 2019/2020 term. The Hospital District Act requires interim chair and vice-chair be elected. As a result, Karla Kozakevich has been acclaimed as interim OSRHD Chair and Doug Holmes has been acclaimed as interim OSRHD Vice-chair. An election for the 2021 OSRHD Chair and Vice-chair will take place during the inaugural RDOS board meeting November 5, 2020 at the Penticton Lakeside Resort.

#### **RDOS Board Meeting**

The Regional District board of directors supported a staff recommendation to purchase a modular home at 1313 Greyback Mountain Road. The home is intended for use as office space at the proposed organics composting facility. The Regional District board of directors resolved to execute a Partnership Agreement with New Zero Waste Inc. and Net Zero Waste Eastgate Ltd. to meet the requirements of the Shared Cost Agreement to accept the \$4,066,666 grant from the Organics Infrastructure Program funding.



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On September 30, the RDOS hosted an electronic town hall meeting to provide information about the proposed organics composting facility at 1313 Greyback Mountain Road. The RDOS is seeking feedback on a proposal to remove the property from the Agricultural Land Reserve. The results will be submitted to the RDOS board for consideration as part of an application to the Agricultural Land Commission.

Finance - Bylaw No. 2910, 2020

RDOS board of directors supported staff recommendation to exempt specific properties from property tax. The board resolved to review the current tax exemption list and develop policy a prior to approving the list for 2022.

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Karla Kozakevich, Chair  
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