



## **NOVEMBER 21 BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

**RDFFG Board chair and Vice Chair elected; Regional District allocates Northern Capital and Planning Grant funding; Arts, Culture and Heritage Grants approved**

### **RDFFG Board Chair and Vice Chair elected**

Directors with the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George have re-elected Art Kaehn (Electoral Area E, Hixon-Woodpecker) as the Board Chair. Director Kaehn was elected by acclamation and has served as Chair of the Regional District Board since 2007. Director Lara Beckett (Electoral Area C, Chilako River-Nechako) was also re-elected by acclamation to the position of Vice Chair. This is Director Beckett's second term as Vice Chair.

### **Regional District allocates Northern Capital and Planning Grant funding**

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George is allocating funds it has received from the Northern Capital and Planning Grant into a number of different projects and initiatives. The Northern Capital and Planning Grant was announced in March of this year by the provincial government. The program provides funding for infrastructure and long-term planning to four regional districts and their 22 participating municipalities. The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George received just over \$4.2 million.

The Regional District has determined four categories of projects and initiatives to be funded through the Northern Capital and Planning Grant. The four areas are planning, existing infrastructure improvements, new infrastructure and asset management.

### **Arts, Culture and Heritage Grants approved**

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George is providing some funding to two organizations for projects that contribute to the cultural vibrancy of the Regional District. The Dunster Community Association is receiving \$4697 to support the development of a brochure to promote a historical driving tour through the Robson Valley. The Prince George Downtown Business Improvement Association is receiving \$5000 to support the 2020 Winterfest event in Prince George. The funding comes from the Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant Program. The deadline for applications for the next intake is April 1, 2020.

### **Community Grants**

The Board approved the following requests for Community and Recreation Grants:

- \$9013 to the Ness Lake Recreation Commission for asphalt maintenance, pickle ball court paint, volunteer appreciation dinner and Christmas Party and ball park maintenance
- \$800 to the Nukko Lake Recreation Commission for Halloween fireworks
- \$1,223 to the Salmon Valley Community Association for the Canada Day event and address signs
- \$18,000 to the Miworth Community Association for general maintenance
- \$7500 to the Nadsilnich Lake Community Association for roundtable initiatives
- \$500 to the Hickory Wing Ski Club for the Birchleg ski event

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**Community Grants (cntd)**

- \$5,396 to the Pineview Recreation Commission for ice rink maintenance and administration expenses
- \$3000 to the Hixon Bluegrass and Country Jamboree for instructional/mentoring session and general expenses
- \$2000 to the Hixon Seniors Activity Society for the 50s Plus Tea and Christmas luncheon
- \$55,000 to the Hixon Volunteer Fire Department Society for equipping and commissioning the new frontline engine and firehall condition assessment
- \$10,000 to the Hixon Community Association for property and liability insurance
- \$6000 to the Penny Community Historical Association for trail improvements
- \$2400 to the McBride District Volunteer Firefighters Association for Halloween fireworks and Emergency Services Christmas dinner
- \$447 to the McBride Secondary School PAC for craft fair facility rental
- \$500 to Valemount Secondary School for breakfast program expenses

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