

MINUTES OF



**THE ASSOCIATION OF
KOOTENAY & BOUNDARY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

79th Annual General Meeting

TRAIL BC APRIL 19, 20 AND 21, 2012

“LIVE, WORK, PLAY”

DELEGATES

EXECUTIVE DELEGATES

President Wesly Graham – Town of Creston, Councillor

Past-President Grace McGregor – Regional District of Kootenay Boundary - Director

Vice-President Andy Shadrack – Regional District of Central Kootenay – Director

Director Christina Benty – Town of Golden - Mayor

Director Rob Gay, Regional District of East Kootenay - Director

Director & Municipal Insurance Representative Deb Kozak, City of Nelson - Councillor

Director Gerry Taft, District of Invermere – Mayor

Director Cher Wyers, City of Grand Forks – Councillor

Scrutineers – John MacLean - RDKB, Corien Speaker - Elkford and Jim Gustafson - RDCK

Parliamentarian Elaine Kumar – RDKB, Director of Corporate Administration

LIFE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

2003 Joe Tatangelo – AKBLG Past President - RDKB

2005 Bill Baird – RDKB

2005 Gord DeRosa – City of Trail

2006 Dieter Bogs – City of Trail

2007 Jackie Drysdale – AKBLG Past President - City of Rossland

2008 Hans Cunningham - RDCK

2009 Heath Slee - RDEK

STAFF

Secretary/Treasurer Arlene Parkinson – Village of Warfield

REGISTERED VOTING DELEGATES

Regional District of Central Kootenay

Binks, Larry
Cunningham, Hans- Life Member
Davidoff, Andy
Faust, Ramona
Jackman, Garry
Kettle, John
Mickel, Ron
Peterson, Paul
Popoff, Walter
Shadrack, Andy – AKBLG VP

City of Castlegar

Chernoff, Lawrence - Mayor
Chernoff, Kevin
Heaton-Sherstobitoff, Sue
McIntosh, Deb
Rye, Dan
Turner, Gord

Town of Creston

Toyota, Ron - Mayor
Graham, Wesly – PRES AKBLG
Schmalz, Jerry
Wilson, Joanna

Village of Kaslo

Lay, Greg, Mayor
Holland, Jim
Lang, Rob

Village of Nakusp

Hamling, Karen – Mayor
Duchaine, Guy
Hughes, Joseph
Mueller, Ulli
Zeleznik, Tom

City of Nelson

Dooley, John - Mayor
Adams, Bob
Cherbo, Robin
Kozak, Debra – DIRECTOR AKBLG

Village of New Denver

Bunka, Ann - Mayor
Hodsall, Dave
Raynolds, Nadine
Von Krogh, Henning

Village of Salmo

Henderson, Ann - Mayor
Haughton, Janine
Peel, Jennifer

Village of Silverton

Provan, Kathy - Mayor
Clarke, jason
Main, Leah

Village of Slocan

Perriere, Madeleine - Mayor
Elliot, Hillary
Lunn, Jessica
McGreal, Patricia

Regional District of East Kootenay

Booth, Wendy
Gay, Rob – DIRECTOR AKBLG
Slee, Heath – Life Member
Walter, Jane
Wilkie, Gerry

Village of Canal Flats

City of Cranbrook

Stetski, Wayne - Mayor
Cross, Sharon
Davis, Angus
Scott, Diana J
Warner, Gerry

District of Elkford

McGregor, Mandy
McLean, Shelly
Wildeman, Ken
Zarowney, Joe

City of Fernie

Giuliano, Mary – Mayor
Krats, Joni
Warshawsky, Joe

District of Invermere

Taft, Gerry–Mayor DIRECTOR AKBLG
Anderson, Greg
Denchuk, Paul

City of Kimberley

McRae, Ron - Mayor
Hoglund, Albert
Goodwin, Kent
Middlebrook, Bev

Village of Radium Hot Springs

Conklin, Dee – Mayor
Reinhardt, Clara

District of Sparwood

Halko, Lois - Mayor
Fraser, Sharon
McKie, Margaret
Wilton, Joanne

Town of Golden

Benty, Christina – Mayor DIR AKBLG
Moss, Caleb
Oszust, Ron

**Regional District of Kootenay
Boundary**

Baird, Bill – Life Member
Grieve, Ali
McGregor, Grace PAST PRES AKBLG
Perepolkin, Irene

Village of Fruitvale

Cecchini, Patricia - Mayor
Gray, Larry
Kniss, Bert
Prince, Jill

City of Grand Forks

Taylor, Brian - Mayor
Kendel, Bob

O'Doherty, Patrick

Smith, Gary

Wyers, Cher – DIRECTOR AKBLG

City of Greenwood

Kettle, Nipper – Mayor
Ashton, Darla
Noll, Barry

Village of Midway

Rotvold, Marguerite

Village of Montrose

Danchuk, Joe - Mayor
Berriault, Don
Cook, Cindy
Duclos, Don
Gay, Mary

City of Rossland

Granstrom, Greg - Mayor
Wallace, Kathy

City of Trail

Bogs, Dieter - Mayor
Cacchioni, Robert
DeRosa, Gord – Life Member
Gattafoni-Robinson, Eleanor
Georgetti, Rick
Jolly, Kevin
Mackinlay, Sean

Village of Warfield

Crockett, Bert - Mayor
Baggio, Donna
Crozier, John
Milne, Tom
Nelson, Jim

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PROCEEDINGS OF THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012

AKBLG PRESIDENT	President Wesly Graham welcomed delegates to the 79 th AKBLG Annual General Meeting and introduced the Convention Theme, Live, Work, Play. President Graham then introduced MC Mike Stolte who speaks to the theme.
KEYNOTE SPEAKER- MR MIKE HARCOURT	Mr Mike Harcourt – Creating Sustainable Communities.
WORKSHOP SESSIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understanding Trends – Terry Mcdonald – Rural Economic Development 2. Kootenay Mountain Culture – Chris Dadson 3. Smart Metres – Gary Murphy – BC Hydro and Ian Dyck – Fortis BC
WHY DON'T MORE GOOD PEOPLE ENTER POLITICS?	Mr Max Cameron – Director UBC Centre for the study of Democratic Institutions.
	PROCEEDINGS OF FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2012
OPENING CEREMONIES AND WELCOME ADDRESSES	<p>Piping in of dignitaries. National Anthem – Alexis Grebe Opening Prayer – Meredyth Robinson First Nations Welcome – Sarah Luke Youth Welcome – Aftin Jolly and Megan McIntyre Mayor Dieter Bogs, City of Trail MP Alex Atamanenko – Kootenay West Minister Ida Chong MLA Katrine Conroy AKBLG President Wesly Graham UBCM President Heath Slee FCM Past President, Hans Cunningham</p>
WELCOME	<p>President Wesly Graham welcomed all to the 79th AKBLG AGM and introduced the AKBLG Executive and the MIA representative to the membership. President Graham recognized Heath Slee for the great job he has done in his position at UBCM. President Graham thanked the Town of Creston for providing meeting space for the AKBLG Executive meetings. President Graham thanked Corien Speaker for her tremendous help in Budget preparations. President Graham thanked the Village of Warfield for their sponsorship of</p>

	the Executive Breakfast.
CALL TO ORDER	President Wesly Graham, of the Association of Kootenay & Boundary Local Governments called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
PRESIDENT'S REPORT	<p>President Wesly Graham presented the 2012 President's Report: Welcome to all Delegates attending the 2012 Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Governments Annual General Meeting. This is the 79th AKBLG and it is great that Trail has agreed to host us. They have worked hard on this convention and I along with the rest of the executive say thank-you.</p> <p>It has been a busy year. A lot has happened and there are big challenges that face us at the local government level. The theme for the conference is quite fitting "Live, Work, Play", as that is what the residents of our communities expect, and it is up to us to make that a reality within the means we have available.</p> <p>There is considerable pressure on local governments to do more with less money, we have external bodies questioning our every move, and the government setting up panels to review our tax structures and Auditors to audit an already transparent process. For me I have worked hard for the AKBLG at the UBCM level to make sure the provincial government is aware of the feelings our members.</p> <p>This past year I have been on the Healthy Communities committee at the UBCM and we have had some exciting things happen. We have been actively working on a cross ministry project to address child poverty and create a 7-area pilot. I was pleased to get Cranbrook on the list for this exciting program and I am excited to watch it roll out in the next few months.</p> <p>I want to thank my executive for all their hard work and the dedication that they have for this organization. We have a great team at the table. I want to also thank the City of Trail for hosting this year's event and the planning committee for their time in making this a great time for all of us.</p> <p>Thank you to the members of the AKBLG for trusting me to be your President and it has been an honor to serve you for the past two years and look forward to being the past president! Have a great convention. Sincerely, Wesly Graham, AKBLG President On regular motion, duly moved and seconded was endorsed</p>
AGENDA	On regular motion, duly moved and seconded the <i>2012 Annual General Meeting Agenda</i> was adopted as circulated.
MINUTES	On regular motion, duly moved and seconded <i>the 2011 Annual General Meeting Minutes</i> were adopted as corrected.
FINANCIAL	On regular motion, duly moved and seconded <i>the 2011 Financial Report</i>

REPORT	<i>was adopted.</i>
AKBLG CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS & 2012 BUDGET RESOLUTION	<p>Whereas the AKBLG levies a membership fee to its members in order to conduct the business of the association;</p> <p>And Whereas the current rate structure for membership dues is restricting the ability of the board to levy even modest increases to support the work of the association;</p> <p>Therefore be it resolved that the AKBLG membership authorize the board to establish an annual budget to manage the affairs of the association and determine the requisite annual membership fee so that:</p> <p>a) 50% of the membership fee is based on the population of each community and regional district area based on the prior year British Columbia Regional District and Municipal Population Estimates produced by the Province of BC, to a maximum of \$.15 per capita; and that</p> <p>b) 50% of the membership fee is based on the assessed value of land and improvements in each community and regional district area based on the prior year Property Assessment for Regional District Purposes produced by BC Assessment, to a maximum of \$.007 per \$1,000 of assessed value.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ON MOTION, was ENDORSED</p>
APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS	<p>On regular motion, duly moved and seconded <i>the following Scrutineers were approved:</i> <i>John MacLean, RDKB, Corien Speaker, District of Elkford and Jim Gustafson, RDCK</i></p>
NOMINATIONS	<p>Past President Grace McGregor, Chair of the Nominations Committee presented the Nominations Committee Report. The Nominations Committee put forward the following name for President: Andy Shadrack, Regional District of Central Kootenay The Nominations Chair called for second time for further nominations for President and there were none. The Nominations Committee put forward the following name for Vice President: Christina Benty, Town of Golden The Nominations Chair called for a second time for further nominations for Vice President and there were none. The Nominations Committee put forward the following names for Director: Hillary Elliott, Village of Slocan Rob Gay, Regional District of East Kootenay Nipper Kettle, City of Greenwood Cher Wyers, City of Grand Forks</p>

	The Nominations Chair called for a second time for further nominations for Director and the following candidate was nominated. Patricia Cecchini – Village of Fruitvale.
3 RD AND FINAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR AKBLG PRESIDENT	The Nominations Chair called for a third and final time for further nominations for President and there were none. DIRECTOR ANDY SHADRACK – RDCK IS ACCLAIMED AS AKBLG PRESIDENT
3 RD AND FINAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR AKBLG VICE PRESIDENT	The Nominations Chair called for a third and final time for further nominations for Vice President and there were none. MAYOR CHRISTINA BENTY – GOLDEN IS ACCLAIMED AS AKBLG VICE PRESIDENT
3 RD AND FINAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR AKBLG DIRECTOR	The Nominations Chair called for a third and final time for further nominations for Director and there were none. At this time nominations for AKBLG Director were closed.
CALL FOR ELECTION	Election for the position of Director of AKBLG will be held Saturday, April 21, 2012 between 8:00am and 9:15 am PST

RESOLUTIONS	The Resolutions Committee of Andy Shadrack, Rob Gay, Christina Bentley and Gerry Taft presented the following resolutions.
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RESOLUTION #1

CONTROL OF WATERSHEDS & WATER SUPPLIES

DISTRICT OF INVERMERE

WHEREAS provincial legislation and local regional district bylaws do not provide adequate protection for community watersheds and water supplies:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request the provincial government to amend all applicable legislation in order to increase the power of local governments and water suppliers to manage and control lands surrounding and influencing community watersheds and water supplies.

REFERRED BACK TO THE DISTRICT OF INVERMERE.

RESOLUTION #2

CHANGES TO THE CRIMINAL CODE OF CANADA TO MAKE THE SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRY PUBLIC

DISTRICT OF SPARWOOD

WHEREAS Council for the District of Sparwood supports Kootenay-Columbia MP David Wilks' introduction of a petition to the House of Commons in early November that seeks a strengthening of laws to protect children;

AND WHEREAS on November 29, 2011, MP David Wilks moved to give second reading in the House of Commons of his Private Member's Bill, C-299, "An Act to amend the Criminal Code (kidnapping of young person)":

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM appeal to the Government of Canada to make necessary changes to the Criminal Code of Canada to make the National Sex Offender Registry public.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #3

BC CONSERVATION SERVICE CAPACITY

VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER

WHEREAS the provincial government is responsible for managing bears through its Conservation Service, and the BC Conservation Service has not been able to adequately address bear-human conflict in municipalities due to lack of capacity;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are unable to appropriately respond to bear-human conflict, as their role is to enact policies that deter wildlife and limit wildlife attractants:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government be requested to provide adequate funding and staffing in order for the BC Conservation Service to be more active and proactive in effectively managing bear-human conflict in communities across BC.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #4

FIRESMART CANADA/PARTNERS IN PROTECTION

VILLAGE OF KASLO

WHEREAS the Village of Kaslo municipal boundaries border on forested crown land with dangerous accumulations of forest fuels posing a significant risk to the community should a wildfire event occur which inundates the Village with ember showers;

AND WHEREAS many similar rural communities and small municipalities lack financial and organizational resources to effectively deliver a FireSmart Canada/Partners in Protection program for their communities:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM establish a working relationship with FireSmart Canada/Partners in Protection in order to assist its members with implementing this critical program.

DEFEATED

RESOLUTION #5 & #6

PROPER "HOT SPOT" SIGNAGE AND SAFE PULL-OUTS FOR CELL PHONE COVERAGE AREAS

CITY OF GREENWOOD

WHEREAS much of today's travelling public is dependent on the technology of cell phone service etc., to not only stay in touch with family members but for added safety features for emergency reasons;

AND WHEREAS many areas within cell phone coverage in rural BC are not identified;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that proper signage **and safe pull-outs be** installed in areas throughout BC where coverage is available identifying it as a “hotspot” with cell phone connectivity.

MERGED WITH RESOLUTION #6 AND CARRIED

RESOLUTION #6 **See Resolution #5**

SAFE PULLOUTS FOR CELL PHONE USE

CITY OF GREENWOOD

WHEREAS communication via internet/cell phones has become such a huge part of today’s world with everyone needing to stay connected;

AND WHEREAS many rural areas in our Province are lacking in service and quite often do not have safe places to pull over and use cell phones:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that all future highway construction in the Province of British Columbia include safe pullouts so drivers can pull over safely without having to risk the threat of an accident on our highway.

MERGED WITH RESOLUTION #5 AND CARRIED

RESOLUTION #7

ASSESSMENT & TAXATION OF CONTAMINATED LAND

CITY OF KIMBERLEY

WHEREAS when determining the actual value of property for taxation, Section 19(3)(h) of the *Assessment Act* states that the assessor may give consideration to any other circumstances affecting the value of the land and improvements, which includes the physical condition of property and the extent to which it is contaminated;

AND WHEREAS by causing or allowing the contamination of their own property, some industrial taxpayers obtain a substantial reduction in their tax burden while creating inequality among industrial taxpayers and reducing the overall level of taxation available to municipal governments:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM petition the Province of British Columbia to adopt appropriate legislation to require the assessor, when determining the actual value of property for an assessment roll, to disregard evidence of existing contamination caused or contributed to by industrial processes carried out by the owner on the property or on an adjacent or associated industrial property owner.

WITHDRAWN

RESOLUTION #8

STRATEGIC WILDFIRE PREVENTION INITIATIVE FUNDING

CITY OF KIMBERLEY

WHEREAS the Provincial Fuel Management Working Group has changed the funding formula for fuel management programs to disallow the leveraging of UBCM Strategic Wildfire Prevention Program Initiative dollars by using accrued grant totals (spent money) from the federal and provincial governments or accrued in-kind contributions from local government;

AND WHEREAS local governments are very hard pressed to find new local tax money to fund their share of operating fuel management projects:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities work to change the funding formula and restore the ability of local governments to use recently expended funds and in-kind contributions to leverage new Strategic Wildfire Prevention Program Initiative dollars.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #9

PROVINCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL TRANSPORTATION STRATEGY

CITY OF TRAIL

WHEREAS public transportation and commercial passenger vehicles are critical components of a network for the efficient movement of people, but that commercial operators of passenger directed vehicles in rural communities face unique challenges in terms of developing and sustaining economically viable operations due to inconsistent ridership demand, which can result in reduced levels of service available to the public;

AND WHEREAS the integration of a service to incorporate passenger directed vehicles with traditional public transportation may create synergies and increase the viability for these operations, improving the access to and availability of passenger directed vehicles in rural communities:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities request that the Province of BC develop a transportation strategy to critically assess and determine solutions towards the sustainability of passenger directed vehicle operations **INCLUDING BOTH PUBLIC TRANSIT AND TAXIS** in rural communities.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

RESOLUTION #10

TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE REQUIREMENTS

VILLAGE OF SILVERTON

WHEREAS the BC Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation requires Tourist Information Centres to be open, full time from the May long weekend through to the September long weekend;

AND WHEREAS small communities often lack the financial resources to fund Tourist Information Centres for this period of time on a full time basis:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government reconsider the requirement that Tourist Information Centres in small communities, be open full-time, for this period of time.

WITHDRAWN

RESOLUTION #11

MOUNTAIN RESORT MUNICIPALITIES

DISTRICT OF INVERMERE

WHEREAS the *Community Services Statutes Amendment Act, 2007*, sections 16 and 17 allow the provincial government to establish an area that is not a mountain resort improvement district and potentially has no residents and no development, as a new Mountain Resort Municipality, and allow the Province to appoint the council and direct the development decisions of that council through letters patent and exemptions from the *Community Charter*;

AND WHEREAS a Mountain Resort Municipality may never grow to have a large enough permanent population to have an elected council, and could remain an unelected and provincially and developer controlled "municipality" forever:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities oppose the concept of an undemocratic municipality controlled by the Province and developer, and urge the Province to consult with UBCM on creating reasonable criteria to guide the establishment of new Mountain Resort Municipalities.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #12

RAW LOG EXPORTS

TOWN OF CRESTON

WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia has allowed a sharp and sustained rise in the volume of exported timber, which has distorted the domestic price structure for logs, eliminated British Columbia manufacturing jobs, undermined the structural integrity of the forest industry and severely hampered the creation of jobs and economic opportunities in the province;

AND WHEREAS these policies have had a devastating impact on many local communities across the province that rely on the forest industry:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities forward this resolution to the Province of British Columbia, indicating its objection to any measures that would increase the export of raw logs from British Columbia.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #13

FULL FUNDING FOR FUEL ABATEMENT

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

WHEREAS certain Crown forest lands located in regional district electoral areas and adjacent to municipal boundaries present a significant risk to communities from catastrophic wildfire events which may inundate communities with volatile ember showers;

AND WHEREAS management of these forest lands, including forest fuel loading, is ultimately the responsibility of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and that said Ministry has fully funded fuel abatement measures in the past but no longer does so:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations be called upon to reinstate its former policy of providing full funding for fuel abatement on Crown forest lands located in regional district electoral areas and adjacent to municipal boundaries.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #14

PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SCHOOL DISTRICT

VILLAGE OF WARFIELD

WHEREAS schools in rural British Columbia are a vital economic development factor in small town BC and more partnerships should exist between community and education;

AND WHEREAS the local government would be a vital part of the decision in the event of a school closure, and have an opportunity to provide additional funding for the operation of the facility to maintain

the facility open in their community, or when this is not practical, the community would be involved in the decision to close the facility and be aware of the ramifications in their community:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that partnerships should be entered into between communities and school districts for the local government to provide building and grounds maintenance to education facilities within their jurisdiction.

WITHDRAWN

RESOLUTION # 15

DISTRIBUTION OF HIGH-ENERGY CAFFIENE DRINKS & IMPACT TO CHILDREN

CITY OF GRAND FORKS

WHEREAS today children of any age can purchase high-energy caffeine drinks over the counter at their local grocery or convenient store causing growing concern of the health impacts of these drinks on children:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities request that Health Canada restrict the sale of high caffeine energy drinks to children.

DEFEATED

RESOLUTION # 16

WILDLIFE CONFLICT

CITY OF GRAND FORKS

WHEREAS there is no BC Wildlife Management Plan to deal with increasing wildlife conflict:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities request that the provincial government establish a Provincial Wildlife Management Plan under the Ministry of Environment and address the shortage of Conservation Officers that currently exists.

CARRIED

FUTURE AKBLG AGM AND CONVENTION HOST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	<p>Past President McGregor informed delegates that there were several offers for future Hosts. She called three times for further bids for hosting the 2013 Convention.</p> <p>2013 AGM and Convention Host – Columbia Valley 2014 AGM and Convention Host – Town of Creston 2015 AGM and Convention Host – Village of Nakusp 2016 AGM and Convention Host – City of Roseland</p> <p>The 2013 AGM and Convention will be held in the Columbia Valley.</p>
CREDENTIALS REPORT	<p>117 Voting Delegates 28 Guests and Life Members 35 Partners</p>
DIRECTOR ELECTION RESULTS	<p>The Directors of the AKBLG for the next 2 year term (2012-2014) were elected in order of votes as follows: Hillary Elliott, Village of Slocan Rob Gay, Regional District of East Kootenay</p> <p>The Directors of the AKBLG for the next 1 year term (2012-2013) were elected in order of votes as follows: Patricia Cecchini – Village of Fruitvale Cher Wyers, City of Grand Forks</p>
ADJOURNMENT	<p>The 2012 Annual General Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. PST</p>