



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

MINUTES of a **PUBLIC HEARING (Bylaw 2485)** of the **BOARD of DIRECTORS** of the **REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN** held in the Boardroom at the Regional District Office on Wednesday, March 7, 2012

Members:	Director P. Nicol	City of Vernon	Chair
	Director R. Fairbairn	Electoral Area "D"	Vice Chair
	Director S. Fowler	City of Armstrong	
	Director D. Dirk	District of Coldstream	
	Director H. Cyr	City of Enderby	
	Director K. Acton	Village of Lumby	
	Director R. Sawatzky	City of Vernon	
	Director J. Cunningham	City of Vernon	
	Director J. Brown	Township of Spallumcheen	
	Director B. Fleming	Electoral Area "B"	
	Director M. Macnabb	Electoral Area "C"	
	Director E. Foisy	Electoral Area "E"	
	Director J. Pearase	Electoral Area "F"	

Staff:	T. Hall	Administrator
	D. Sewell	General Manager, Finance
	R. Smailes	General Manager, Planning and Building
	L. Mellott	General Manager, Electoral Area Administration
	D. McTaggart	General Manager, Engineering
	C. Mazzotta	Information Services Manager
	P. Luscombe	Chief Building Inspector/Bylaw Enforcement Officer
	T. Nelson	Community Development Coordinator
	L. Frank	Planning Technologist
	C. Howkins	Senior Clerk (taking minutes)

Also Present:	Alt. Director S. Ghattas	Electoral Area "B"
	Councillor M. Besso	District of Coldstream
	D. Ross	City of Vernon, Recreation Services Manager
	Media and Public	

CALL PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 4:23 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BYLAWS

Electoral Areas "D" and "E" Official Community Plan

Bylaw 2485, 2011 – Electoral Areas "D" and "E" Official Community Plan

Purpose: to replace the Electoral Areas "D" and "E" Official Community Plan Designation Bylaw No. 1690, 2001 with Electoral Areas "D" and "E" Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2485, 2011 and that it be considered for Third Reading.

Jane Master, Planner with True Consulting Group and the Planning Technologist gave a presentation and provided background to the Board of Directors on the development of the Official Community Plan.

The General Manager, Planning and Building introduced the bylaw and advised that one written submission had been received.

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- Expressed concern that the current draft version (9.9) is not an 'Arts and Culture Policy' and does not acknowledge the existing art and cultural life of Areas D and E, nor does it refer to the *Arts and Culture Master Plan* adopted by NORD in September 2011.
- Believes that given the multimillion dollar investment by NORD in parks and recreation in this area, the suggestion that vacant classrooms can be used for arts and culture activity suggests that little value or thought has been given to this vital part of our community life.
- Recommends the wording contained in 9.9 be deleted entirely and a more comprehensive policy statement replace the existing language.
- Provided a draft example of what the policy should contain with the hope that the RDNO will consider using it as the basis for redrafting Section 9.9.
- Believes that since Lumby is a part of the White Valley Parks Recreation and Culture Committee, and is under contract to the RDNO to administer the current programs sponsored by RDNO, it would seem prudent to align the RDNO OCP with Lumby's OCP.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

The Chair asked if there were persons present who wished to speak to the bylaw.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

There being no one further to speak to Bylaw 2485, the Public Hearing was closed at 4:46 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Chair
PATRICK NICOL
CHAIR



Corporate Officer