Regional District Okanagan-Similkameen
Electoral Area ’E’ Advisory Planning Commission

Monday, January 11th, 2016 @ 7:30pm
OAP Hall, 330 - 3rd Street, Naramata, B.C.
MINUTES

APC Members Present:  Bruce Clough, Chair, Electoral Area ‘E’ APC
                      Judi Harvey
                      Heather Fleck
                      Tim Forty
                      Tom Hoenisch
                      Phil Janzen

Recording Secretary:  Heather Lemieux, via transcription

APC Members Absent:  Don Mancell
                     David Kopp, Vice Chair

Guests:  Karla Kozakevich, Area ‘E’ RDOS Director
         Hugh McClelland

Delegates:  Christopher Garrish, Planning Supervisor
            Bryn White, Project Manager

CALL TO ORDER:  @ 7:35 pm, Quorum Present.

1.  ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Agenda adopted as presented.

     MOVED as presented, SECONDED, All in Favour and CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:  Bruce Clough, Chair called for ‘errors or omissions’ none heard.
August 10th, 2015 Area ‘E’ APC minutes adopted.

     MOVED, SECONDED, All in Favour and CARRIED
2. OTHER

2.1 Update of Environmentally Sensitive Development Permit Areas
Okanagan Electoral Area “E” Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaws
Administrative Report submitted by Christopher Garrish, Planning Supervisor

Christopher Garrish, Planning Supervisor reported that the changes to the Environmentally Sensitive Development Permit Areas Okanagan Electoral Area “E” Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaws are seeking to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas and not to prevent or stop development. Provincial overlay maps and a blueprint of an example property was distributed and described along with the presentation. A summary of changes was presented regarding objectives, accomplishments, environmental values and biodiversity conservation strategies. A review has been completed and proposed changes to bring consistency and improvements to the bylaw. Discussed land designations, Agriculture Land Reserve, Crown Land, zoning, exemptions and permits. Further discussed enforcement, land alteration, building permits, approvals, bylaw, history and future bylaw plans.

The Area ‘E’ APC recommends to the RDOS Board in FAVOUR of OPTION 1, THAT the proposed amendments related to the ESDP Area Update be approved.

MOVED, SECONDED, All in Favour CARRIED

2.2 Proposed Regional Conservation Fund
Administrative Report submitted by Bryn White, Project Manager

Bryn White, Project Manager presented the Regional Conservation Fund concept. A plan is being developed for creating a funding capacity at the regional level. Biodiversity Conservation Strategy Mechanisms to generate funds and collected, held and distributed locally according to priorities such as protecting water sheds and ground water, fish and wildlife habitats, protecting spaces for hiking and wildlife viewing. Feedback requested from the APC. Discussion took place about parcel definitions, public consultation of adding a small amount to property tax, discussed regional priorities vs. local priorities.

The Area ‘E’ APC advises the RDOS Board in FAVOUR of OPTION 2 that the conservation fund be supported in principle and recommends that the RDOS Board continue to work with SOSCP to conduct public consultation and assent on the conservation fund proposal under the following conditions:

i) With the condition that the proposed measures to finance such fund be submitted to the public before being instituted.

MOVED, SECONDED, All in Favour CARRIED
2.3 APC Bylaw No. 2339 5.1 – Chair of the Commission
Election of the Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary (to be performed at the first
meeting of each new year – Section 5.1; Bylaw No. 2339)

Bruce Clough, voted in as Chair of the Electoral Area ‘E’ Advisory Planning Commission
David Kopp, voted in as Vice-Chair of the Electoral Area ‘E’ Advisory Planning Commission

MOVED, SECONDED, All in Favour CARRIED

NEXT MEETING:       Tuesday, February 9th, 2016 @ 7:30pm, OAP Hall.

3. ADJOURNMENT:      MOVED, SECONDED, and CARRIED @ 8:43 pm

ATTACHMENTS:        None

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Area ‘E’ APC Chair               Commission Secretary

As per Section 5a of the APC Policy, the original copy of the APC Minutes are to be signed by
the Commission Secretary or minute taker and the Chair, and this original copy is to be delivered
to the RDOS for vault filing.