



THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

Council Meeting Highlights

May 20, 2025

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RCMP Update

Council received an update from Staff Sergeant Brendan Dolan and Corporal Tyrone Wilton on RCMP activities in the community. Wilton, Corporal of the West Kelowna Detachment's traffic services since March, has spearheaded an initiative for extra traffic enforcement in Peachland, prompted by remarks in the Citizens' Survey the District conducted in 2024 about the lack of police presence in Peachland. Since March 1, 68 violation tickets have been issued. Cpl. Wilton reported that speeds have dropped dramatically since the District put in speed bumps on Beach Avenue.

Council Meeting Time Change

Council adopted an updated Procedure Bylaw to include a trial change to the start time of meetings until the end of the year. The trial period will mean Regular Council meetings will begin at 3 pm instead of 6 pm and is expected to result in operational efficiencies and cost savings. Public Hearings will still be held at 6 pm.

Child Care Centre Construction Variance

Council authorized variances to the Zoning Bylaw for the future home of the Peachland Child Care Centre at 5601 Wild Goose Street. The variances will allow a reduction in building setback in three different locations along the side of the centre:

- South side: reduction in setback from 7.5m to 4.0m
- West side: reduction in setback from 7.5m to 4.5m
- Interior side: reduction in setback from 7.5m to 4.0m.

Landscaping, an outdoor play space and a shared drive aisle for access to off-street parking will minimize the impact of these variances. Parking requirements were also varied to allow fewer parking stalls and to eliminate the need for passenger loading stalls. It is anticipated that more than 50 per cent of the attending children will walk to and from Peachland Elementary School and will not need to be dropped off. A custom-length bus loading stall is also included in the overall parking count for the Centre and more dedicated loading spaces will not be required. The District received \$12.2 million through ChildCareBC's New Spaces Fund to build a new 104-space centre which will be operated by the Boys and Girls Club of the Okanagan.

Next Council Meeting

The next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 10, 2025, beginning at 3 pm. Council meetings are open to the public and webcast live. Find the full schedule by visiting www.peachland.ca/government/meetings. Find webcasts of past meetings at www.peachland.ca/government/meetings/archived-webcasts. Keep informed; subscribe to get news and event information emailed directly to you at www.peachland.ca/services/subscribe.