The Village of Midway

Inaugural Meeting of Council – November 2, 2026

Public persons are welcome to attend in person or via electronic means, zoom upon request.

Please note that in-person meetings are audio recorded for the purpose of preparing minutes. (Recordings are deleted after the Council has adopted the minutes.)

We wish to acknowledge that this meeting is taking place on non-treaty traditional lands.

The Council of the Village of Midway agrees to uphold the Guiding Principles for Responsible Conduct as per Village of Midway's Policy No. 387

1. **Call to Order 19:00 Hours, Council Chambers 661 Eighth Ave., Midway BC**
   The inaugural meeting will be opened by the CAO who will present the Chief Election Officer's Report on the results of the 2026 General Local Election (*required under the Local Government Act Section 158*).
2. **Administration of Oath of Office by CAO Lisa Teggarty**
3. **Inaugural Remarks**
4. **Initial Business/Appointments**
   a) Staff Report – Regional District of Kootenay Boundary and West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Appointments.
   b) Staff Report – Council Committees & Appointments 2026 to 2027 – West Boundary Community Forest and the Village of Midway's Accessibility Advisory Committee.
   c) Staff Report – UBCM 2027 CRI FireSmart Community Funding & Supports –RDKB request for resolution to seek grant opportunity – Carlene Pires, RDKB Emergency Program, Regional FireSmart Coordinator.
5. **In-Camera**
   - Section 90(1)(e) – acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality
   - Section 90(1)(j) — information that is prohibited, or information that if were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*
   - Section 90(1)(c) – labour relations or other employee relations
6. **Adjournment**

Date: November 2, 2026 File No: 0640-30
To: Chief Administrative Officer
From: Chief Election Officer
Subject: Election Results Report

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Report of Election Results be presented.

**ISSUE/PURPOSE:**

To provide the 2026 General Local Election Results to Council.

**BACKGROUND:**

Section 158 of the Local Government Act requires that the Chief Elections Officer must provide a report of Election results to the Local Government within 30 days after the declaration of official results for an election by voting.

**2026 GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS FOR THE VILLAGE OF MIDWAY:**

The number of votes tallied for each elected candidate in the election are as follows:

**Mayor:**

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| Douglas Charles McMynn | Votes | 181 |

**Councillors:**

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| Aaron Kent Pownall | Votes | 294 |
| Darrin Alex Metcalf | Votes | 272 |
| Judith Ann Willsey | Votes | 266 |
| Michaela Parrott | Votes | 238 |

**The Election Statistics:**

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| Total Electors who Voted | 362 |
| Rejected Ballots – Mayor | 0 |
| Rejected Ballots – Councillor | 4 |
| Estimated Eligible Electors | 578 |

Full Report on file

**COMMUNICATION:**

The results of the 2026 Election are available on the Village of Midway Website.

# Staff Report – Item 4(a)

Date: November 2, 2026 File No: 0640-30
To: Chief Administrative Officer
From: Deputy Corporate
Subject: Regional District of Kootenay Boundary and West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Appointments

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT _____, be appointed to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Board of Directors; and

THAT _____, be appointed as an alternate.

THAT _____, be appointed to the West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Board of Directors; and

THAT _____, be appointed as an alternate.

**BACKGROUND:**
The Regional District Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) Board of Directors has 13 members. One director from each of the 8 incorporated municipalities, Fruitvale, Montrose, Trail, Warfield, Rossland, Grand Forks, Greenwood and Midway; and 5 unincorporated electoral areas – Area A, Area B/Lower Columbia-Old Glory, Area C/Christina Lake, Area D/Rural Grand Forks and Area E/ West Boundary. The Board makes key decisions related to strategic planning, bylaws and policies.

The West-Boundary Regional Hospital District (WKBRHD) is comprised of 17 Regional District of Central Kootenay Directors and 13 Regional District of Kootenay-Boundary Directors. The main purpose of the WKBRHD is to provide funding for hospital equipment and capital projects. Projects and priorities are proposed each year by the Interior Health Authority (IHA), with a list developed in consultation between IHA and WKBRHD.

Members from incorporated municipalities must be appointed.

**COMMUNICATION:**
Once approved, the appointments will be provided to Regional District of Kootenay Boundary and West Kootenay-Boundary Regional Hospital District Corporate departments.

**GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS:**
Under *section 198(1) of the Local Government Act*, each municipal council appoints one or more of its own members to serve as municipal directors on the regional district board.

# Staff Report – Item 4(b)

Date: November 2, 2026 File No: 0640-30
To: Chief Administrative Officer
From: Deputy Corporate
Subject: Council Committees & Appointments 2026 to 2027 – West Boundary Community Forest and the Village of Midway's Accessibility Advisory Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT _____, be appointed as Council Representative on the West Boundary Community Forest Board; and

THAT _____ and _____be appointed as Council Representatives on the Village of Midway's Accessibility Advisory Committee.

**BACKGROUND:**
West Boundary Community Forest Inc. (WBCF) is jointly owned by the Village of Midway and the City of Greenwood. The Osoyoos Indian Band manages the community forest under an agreement with WBCF. The forest also serves as an educational resource, teaching elementary students about forest ecology and introducing local high school students to forestry education and careers.

WBCF is governed by an appointed Board of Directors representing Midway and Greenwood. As joint shareholders, the two municipalities appoint Council representation to the board. Midway's representative attends monthly board meetings and reports back to Village Council.

Established in late 2023, the Village of Midway's Accessibility Advisory Committee comprises community members, Council representatives and Village staff. It helps identify, remove and prevent barriers for individuals with disabilities in municipal programs, services, spaces and facilities.

**COMMUNICATION:**
After approval, West Boundary Community Forest Board will be notified of the appointments, and Council representatives will receive notice of upcoming Accessibility Advisory Committee meetings and agendas in advance.

**GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS:**
The Midway Accessibility Advisory Committee complies with the Accessible British Columbia Act.

# Staff Report – Item 4(c)

Date: November 2, 2026 File No: 0640-30
To: Council
From: Chief Administrative Officer
Subject: UBCM 2027 CRI FireSmart Community Funding & Supports – RDKB request for resolution to seek grant opportunity

**RECOMMENDATION:**
THAT the Village of Midway supports the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary's application to the UBCM 2027 Community Resiliency Investment FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program; and

THAT the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary be authorized to administer and provide overall management of any grant funding awarded in support of FireSmart initiatives within the Village of Midway and the broader regional program.

**PURPOSE:**
To obtain Council approval for RDKB to apply for funding under the UBCM 2027 Community Resiliency Investment FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program for FireSmart initiatives in the Village of Midway and across the region.

**BACKGROUND:**
The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) has invited the Village of Midway to participate in its Regional FireSmart program through its 2027 application. With current intakes closing this month, now is an opportune time for the Village to join as a regional municipal partner.

The grant will enable continued delivery of the Regional FireSmart program.

The new intake runs from October 1st – Dec 31st, 2026.

The Regional FireSmart program supports seniors who cannot complete the work themselves. Through its residential rebate program, residents aged 65 or older or with limited mobility can hire a contractor and receive full coverage of labour costs. Property owners pay for materials.

In 2024 the Village of Midway received funding through the UBCM 2024 Community Resiliency Investment FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program. This funding enabled the Village to complete a fuel-management treatment which had been identified in the 2022 Village of Midway Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP).

**ATTACHMENT:**
Letter from Carlene Pires RDKB Emergency Program, Regional FireSmart Coordinator

September 24, 2026

To: Mayor and Council
Village of Midway
PO Box 160
661 Eighth Ave.
Midway, B.C. V0H-1M0

Attention: Village of Midway Mayor and Council

Dear Mayor McMynn and Members of the Village Council,

**Re: Request for resolution to seek grant opportunity – UBCM 2027 CRI FireSmart Community Funding & Supports**

The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) Emergency Preparedness Service is preparing an application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities' 2027 Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program.

The RDKB's current CRI FireSmart project, funded in 2025 and extended through reallocation of eligible funds in 2026, is scheduled for completion in November 2026. Continued funding is needed to maintain and expand the Regional FireSmart program across the RDKB's five electoral areas and seven member municipalities.

The proposed 2027 application would support FireSmart initiatives in the Village of Midway and throughout the region, including:

- FireSmart public education, outreach, and community engagement;
- FireSmart home and critical-infrastructure assessments;
- residential FireSmart rebate programming;
- FireSmart Coordinator and Wildfire Mitigation Specialist capacity;
- wildfire-readiness training for emergency services personnel;
- collaboration with local fire departments, agencies, and community partners; and
- implementation of priority actions identified in the Village of Midway's Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan.

The RDKB may request up to $1.85 million based on the regional scope of delivery. As a participating municipality, the Village of Midway is eligible for up to $200,000 in project funding.

Over the past two years, CRI funding has supported five regional FireSmart positions; 602 FireSmart assessments; 104 residential rebates totalling approximately $293,000; FireSmart education in schools and communities; participation in approximately 120 community events; interagency coordination; emergency-planning support; and wildfire-resiliency planning, including fuel-management prescriptions, a completed fuel-management

treatment in the Village of Midway and prescribed-fire burn plans for Trail, Montrose, Warfield, and Greenwood.

Please note that fuel-management implementation is no longer an eligible activity under the 2027 CRI FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program. The RDKB will pursue separate funding opportunities to advance prescribed fuel treatments in recommended priority areas.

To meet the UBCM application requirements, the RDKB respectfully requests that the Village of Midway provide a certified resolution:

***THAT the Village of Midway supports the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary's application to the UBCM 2027 Community Resiliency Investment FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program; and***

***THAT the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary be authorized to administer and provide overall management of any grant funding awarded in support of FireSmart initiatives within the Village of Midway and the broader regional program.***

Thank you for considering this request.

Best regards,

Carlene Pires
RDKB Emergency Program, Regional FireSmart Coordinator