



REGIONAL DISTRICT of Fraser-Fort George

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REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION

TO: Chair and Directors

FROM: Maureen Connelly, General Manager of Legislative and Corporate Services/
Chief Election Officer

DATE: November 8, 2024

SUBJECT: 2024 By-Election Results for the Bear Lake Local Community Commission
SUMMARY: Purpose: For Information

File No.: ELE 1.1.15

Attachments:

1. Master Ballot Account
2. Determination of Official Election Results
3. Declaration of Official Election Results

Previous Reports: None

RECOMMENDATION(S):

THAT the report dated November 8, 2024 from the Chief Election Officer regarding the "2024 By-Election Results for the Bear Lake Local Community Commission" be received for information.

ENTITLEMENT	HOW VOTE COUNTED
All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority

ISSUE(S):

The *Local Government Act* requires that the Chief Election Officer submit a report of the election results to the local government elected body within 30 days after the declaration of the official election results. This applies in the case of an election, by-election or assent vote. As required by the Act, attached is the master ballot account for the 2024 Bear Lake Local Community Commission By-Election held on November 2, 2024.

This report is prepared for the Board's information and no action is required.

RELEVANT POLICIES:

Local Government Act

- requires the Chief Election Officer to report results to the local government within 30 days of the declaration of official election results

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous and Intergovernmental Partnerships | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Strength and Adaptability | <input type="checkbox"/> Quality Community Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Stewardship and Climate Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Awareness and Engagement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory or Routine Business | | |

SERVICE RELEVANCE:

The Bear Lake Local Community Commission with the election of the new Commission member, will be able to continue with its regular activities that serve the local community.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

N/A

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

N/A

DECISION OPTIONS:

1. Approve recommendation.
 - requirements of the *Local Government Act* will have been met.

COMMENTS:

A by-election was held for one Commissioner position on the Bear Lake Local Community Commission. Three candidate nominations were received. Sandra (Sandy) McClure was the successful candidate receiving a total of 36 votes.

An advance voting opportunity was held on Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at the Regional District Main Office and general voting day occurred on Saturday, November 2, 2024 at the Bear Lake Community Hall. Mail ballot voting was also made available. The determination of official election results attached to this report indicates the overall voter turnout for this by-election.

For this by-election, elector engagement consisted of information published on the Regional District's website, newspaper advertising, posts on the Regional District and Bear Lake Community Facebook pages, and at the Regional District and Bear Lake Commission Offices. Communications were also sent to the Commission Members including the Electoral Area Director to assist in sharing information on voting opportunities with the local electorate.

Following general voting day, the determination of the official election results and declaration were made. These records are attached for the Board and public information.

Respectfully submitted,

“M.Connelly”

Maureen Connelly
General Manager, Legislative & Corporate Services/Chief Election Officer

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