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## **2021 Business Plan Electoral Area F Community Halls Support Service (1561)**

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***Working in partnership with communities large and small to offer local, sub-regional, and regional services to ensure that the Cariboo Chilcotin is a socially, economically, and environmentally desirable region.***

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### **Department/Function Services**

The Electoral Area F Community Halls Support Service was established through Bylaw No. 4259 in 2007.

The purpose of the service is to provide funds, by means of contribution contracts (January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2022), to support five community halls in Electoral Area F of the Central Cariboo. The halls are the Miocene Community Hall, 150 Mile House Community Hall, Big Lake Community Hall, Likely Community Hall and Horsefly Community Hall. Support from this service is directed to the community associations which manage the properties for costs associated with owning and operating the facilities. The funds are to be expended on insurance, utilities and capital improvements. This contribution is in recognition of the important role the local halls play in the stability and healthy activity within communities.

The service area includes all of Electoral Area F. Requisition is by way of a parcel tax which is applied to a maximum of two parcels per unique owner identifier. The requisition limit may not exceed the greater of \$50,000 or \$0.1131/\$1,000 of assessed value of land and improvements.

As the Electoral Area F Director is the only stakeholder, and the *Local Government Act* requires more than one vote, the entire Board is responsible for the governance of this service.

## **Business Plan Goals, Rationale & Strategies**

### **2021 Goals**

- 1. Goal:** Complete additional works to the Horsefly Community Hall kitchen.  
**Rationale:** The first phase of the kitchen upgrades was completed in 2020 and the final works will be performed in 2021. Kitchen upgrades are needed in order to continue effectively supporting events at the hall. The project is consistent with the purpose of the community hall support function.  
**Strategy:** The Horsefly Community Club will manage the project with updates to and advice from Regional District staff.
- 2. Goal:** Perform upgrades and repairs to the deck and railing at the Big Lake Community Hall.  
**Rationale:** Repairs and upgrades are necessary to ensure the safety of hall users. The project is consistent with the purpose of the community hall support function.  
**Strategy:** The Big Lake Community Association will manage the project with updates to and advice from Regional District staff.

### **Overall Financial Impact**

The 2021 requisition remains the same as the 2020 requisition at \$50,133. Requisition is by way of a parcel tax of about \$16 per parcel applied to a maximum of two parcels.

### **Significant Issues & Trends**

The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in significant challenges for operation of the community halls and resulted in event cancellations and lower rental revenue. It is unknown at this time if this will continue and to what extent into 2021.

Rising costs for insurance, utilities, renovation materials and labour may cause the goals for future years to be revisited. However, it is also expected that the improvements to the hall and recreation areas will increase community pride in the property and lead to better usage and more fundraising opportunities.

The Cariboo Regional District is a signatory on the Province of BC/UBCM Climate Action Charter and has committed to continuing work towards carbon neutrality in respect of corporate operations.

### **Measuring Previous Years Performance**

**Goal:** Perform a kitchen renovation at the Horsefly Community Hall.

- Completed.

**Goal:** Perform a kitchen renovation at the Miocene Community Hall.

- Completed.

**Goal:** Perform upgrades and repairs to the deck and railing at the Big Lake Community Hall.

- Deferred to 2021 to purchase new tables in 2020.