



Media Advisory

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Four Okanagan Municipalities Working Together on Common Issues

Okanagan Valley, BC – The four member municipalities of the Inter-municipal Services Advisory Board (Kelowna, West Kelowna, Vernon, and Penticton) which consists of the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer of each municipality met on May 11th to discuss issues of mutual concern and to share ideas.

Topics discussed included the following:

Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit (CFSEU):

A summary of organized crime activity in the Okanagan was provided by Superintendent Doug Kiloh, Officer in Charge. The Mayors are very supportive of this unit continuing in the valley.

Transit:

Kelowna Mayor Sharon Shepherd, West Kelowna Mayor Doug Findlater, Penticton Mayor Dan Ashton and Vernon Mayor Wayne Lippert are looking for solutions to transit concerns in the Okanagan Valley. Support is being requested of Minister Lekstrom to review governance models of transit in BC.

Festival Event Capital of Canada:

The Mayors are continuing to explore this concept.

The Board also discussed:

- Okanagan Lake Issues
- Bio-Solids Disposal
- Copper Wire Thefts
- IHA Water Regulations
- IHA – Hospitals
- Regional District Governance



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