

## OCTOBER BOARD CALENDAR

- ② RDN Special Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting  
10 a.m.
- ⑨ RDN Special Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting  
1 p.m.
- ⑭ Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Board Meeting  
10 a.m.  
RDN Board Meeting  
1 p.m.
- ⑳ RDN Board Meeting  
1 p.m.

*All Board, Electoral Area Services Committee and Hospital District Board meetings take place in the Board Chambers at 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo and are also webstreamed.*

[www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos)

## WATER STEWARDSHIP REBATES

Help protect our water resources and save money!

- Rainwater Harvesting: Get up to \$1,000 for installing or adding 1,000 imperial gallons of rainwater storage.
- Irrigation Upgrades and Soil Improvements: Get up to \$475 for irrigation upgrades and/or 50 per cent off garden soil improvements up to \$100. Get a \$100 bonus rebate for completing both irrigation and soil upgrades. Stratas can also apply.
- Wellhead Upgrades: Get up to \$650 for wellhead upgrades or up to \$500 for closing an unused well.
- Well Water Testing: RDN private well-owners can receive 50 per cent off (up to \$300) a full spectrum water quality analysis.



To learn more, visit [www.rdnrebates.ca](http://www.rdnrebates.ca) or call 250-390-6560. All work must be completed by December 15, 2025 - apply soon!

[www.rdn.bc.ca/outdoor](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/outdoor)

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

Would you like to be more involved in your community? Do you have experience or interest in the field of parks, recreation, culture, agriculture, waste management, planning, climate or drinking water and watershed protection?

We are now accepting applications for volunteers to sit on advisory committees with terms ranging from one to three years.

The application deadline is Friday, October 31, 2025, at 4 p.m.

To download the application form, and for details on the committees and community members needed, visit:  
[www.rdn.bc.ca/board-appointments](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/board-appointments).

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## PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The next Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee meeting is:

Electoral Area B  
October 20 at 5 p.m.  
Gabriola Agi Hall, 465 South Rd, Gabriola

For more information, visit  
[www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees).

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## SEED FUNDING FOR LOCAL PROJECTS

Have a project that could make your neighbourhood more climate-friendly? The RDN offers Climate Action Seed Funding to support small, community-led initiatives that reduce emissions, build resilience and inspire change.

Eligible projects can receive up to \$1,000 in funding and must benefit residents in an RDN electoral area. Whether it's a repair café, climate resilient home tour or community garden, your idea could help create a healthier, more sustainable future.

Learn more and apply at  
[www.rdn.bc.ca/climate-action-seed-funding](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/climate-action-seed-funding). Questions? Email [sustainability@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:sustainability@rdn.bc.ca) or call 250-390-6510.

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## FIRE PREVENTION WEEK: OCTOBER 5 - 11

This year's national theme, "Charge into Fire Safety™: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home," highlights the growing need to safely use, charge and recycle lithium-ion batteries — found in everyday items like phones, laptops, e-bikes and power tools.

Across the RDN, local fire departments are hosting free public events to help residents learn how to prevent fires and protect their homes and families.

Join in, ask questions and take action.

- Attend a local fire safety event if one is being hosted by your local fire department
- Charge devices safely
- Never throw batteries in the trash
- Talk to your family about fire risks

Visit your local fire department's website or social media for event details. Learn more at [www.nfpa.org/fpw](http://www.nfpa.org/fpw)

[www.rdn.bc.ca/fire-services](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/fire-services)

## BREATHE CLEANER AIR THIS WINTER

Do you have an old, smoky woodstove? Improve the air quality in your home and your community by replacing your uncertified stove with a cleaner, more efficient heating system.

When you upgrade, you may qualify for rebates through the **Community Woodsmoke Reduction Program**:

- \$400 for an Electric Insert
- \$600 for a Certified Wood Stove
- \$1,000 for a Certified Pellet Stove
- \$1,500 for an Electric Heat Pump



Rebates are available for a limited time. Conditions apply. Visit [www.rdnrebates.ca](http://www.rdnrebates.ca) or call 250-390-6510 to learn more.

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