

OCTOBER BOARD CALENDAR

- ① Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting • 1 p.m.
- ⑬ Nanaimo Regional District Hospital Board Meeting 11:30 a.m.
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

MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT!

Are you ready to vote in the October 17 General Local Elections?

- Find out which RDN electoral area you live in
- Confirm if you are an eligible voter
- Find your voting location or apply for a mail-in ballot
- Vote



Have your say on who represents you at the RDN!

Learn more at www.rdn.bc.ca/2026-elections.



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FREE TRANSIT ON VOTING DAYS

There will be free transit on local election days, Saturday, October 17 and on provincial election day on Saturday, October 24. This initiative is to support residents in getting to the polls on the final voting days to cast their ballots.

Free transit service, including for registered handyDART customers, will be available all day on all routes throughout the Regional District of Nanaimo except for interregional route 70 Nanaimo to Cowichan Express (NCX) where fare payment will still be required.

For information on routes and schedules, visit

www.bctransit.com/nanaimo/schedules-and-maps.



www.rdn.bc.ca/regional-transit

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 Wednesday, November 4, 2026, 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.

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HOME UPGRADE REBATES

Looking to upgrade your home? The RDN offers rebates to make your home more comfortable and climate resilient. We have a variety of options to suit your project, including:

- Fossil Fuel or Woodstove to Heat Pump: up to \$2,000
- Residential EV Charging Station: \$150
- Sustainable Development Checklist: up to \$1,000
- Home Energy Assessments: up to \$700
- Renewable Energy Systems: up to \$250
- Graded Site-Cut Timber: up to \$250

All rebates are first-come, first-serve for qualifying applicants and can be stacked with provincial rebate offers. For more information on eligibility criteria and how to apply, visit www.rdnrebates.ca or scan the QR code.



www.rdnrebates.ca

HOME ENERGY NAVIGATOR

Dreading winter chills and energy bills? Get help with the RDN's free Home Energy Navigator!

As the weather cools down, now's the time to make your home cozy and energy-efficient. Whether you're insulating, upgrading to a heat pump or just getting started, free local energy experts are here to help you find great solutions for your home and your budget. Get free, impartial guidance with:

- Rebates
- Virtual home energy consultations
- Heat pump quote comparisons
- Home reno advice that suits your needs and budget
- And more! Just pick and choose what serves you best.

To learn more, visit

www.homeenergynav.ca or call 1-866-381-9995.



www.homeenergynav.ca

WATER STEWARDSHIP REBATES

Helping residents create a more environmentally friendly property.

Create a more environmentally friendly property by improving irrigation efficiency or water-holding capacity of soil, by storing rainwater, upgrading a wellhead or testing well water.

Open to all residents of the RDN municipalities and electoral areas.

For information, visit

www.rdn.bc.ca/rdn-rebates.



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RURAL RESIDENTIAL PARCEL SIZE PROJECT

Watch for engagement later this fall about minimum parcel size on rural residential zoned lands in Electoral Areas A, C, E, F, G and H. The RDN is considering a 1-hectare minimum parcel size and one dwelling per parcel on these lands as an alternative to building stratas of single-family homes.

For more information and to sign up to receive project updates to your inbox, visit

www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rural-residential-project.

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RECREATION

Active Aging Week

Older adults are invited to take part in the free activities on offer during Active Aging Week October 5 to 10, go to www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rec-connect to view all the events planned.

Fall Registration

Fall registration is OPEN. Register today for fitness classes, swim and skate lessons, afterschool activities and more at www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rec-connect.

Active Living Magazine

We invite you to explore the Active Living Magazine online at www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rec-connect or drop by Ravensong Aquatic Centre or Oceanside Place Arena for a copy. Inside you will discover new opportunities, revisit favourites and find the activities, parks and experiences that help you thrive.



www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation

WELLSMART WORKSHOP

Learn how to keep your well in safe running order. Led by the RDN Drinking Water and Water Protection team, Island Health and the Province of BC to learn about:

- Well maintenance and operation
- Protecting your water source
- Water testing and treatment
- Water treatment options
- Drought management

Date: October 21

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Location: Little Qualicum Hall, 1210 Centre Rd, Qualicum Beach
Registration required. For more information and to register, visit:

www.rdn.bc.ca/wellsmart.



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PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The next Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee meeting is:

Electoral Area H (Bowser, Qualicum Bay, Deep Bay)
October 8 at 6 p.m.

Lighthouse Community Centre
240 Lions Way, Qualicum Beach

Learn more at

www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees.

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