



COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: FEBRUARY 17, 2023

Engineers and Geoscientists BC's Council of elected registrants and public representatives meets throughout the year. The following are the highlights of its February 17, 2023 meeting.

BYLAWS AMENDED

Council approved several amendments to its Bylaws. The amendments formalize a series of terminology changes for Council, which will be re-named as the Board beginning this Spring, and update Continuing Education (CE) requirements to exempt non-practising registrants and simplify the reporting process for practising registrants. Additional information about the changes to CE requirements will be communicated to registrants in March.

Bylaw amendments are reviewed and approved by the Office of the Superintendent of Professional Governance. Engineers and Geoscientists BC's current Bylaws are available at: <http://www.egbc.ca/About/Governance/Legislation-Bylaws>.

2023/2024 BUDGET GUIDELINES APPROVED

Council approved updated Budget Guidelines, which will guide Engineers and Geoscientists BC's development of its budget for the 2023/2024 fiscal year. The guidelines direct that initiatives and expenditures must align with the Strategic Plan; that revenue sources, expenditures, and staffing be regularly reviewed for financial sustainability as well as economies and efficiencies; and that reserves are appropriately funded.

As part of its budget development process, Council will also review its revenue sources to ensure it can maintain the financial stability of the organization amidst rising inflation and pressures on the organization related to the ongoing implementation of the *Professional Governance Act*. The 2023/2024 budget will be finalized at Council's April meeting.

UPDATE FROM GEOSCIENTISTS CANADA

Council received a report from Del Ferguson, P.Geo., Engineers and Geoscientists BC's Director to Geoscientists Canada. Mr. Ferguson reviewed the progress of Geoscientists Canada's strategic plan and initiatives and highlighted national registration trends.

Engineers and Geoscientists BC registrants who are interested in learning how to better engage the public in learning about geoscience can access a free course offered by Geoscientists Canada called Practical Communication. This self-paced course is eligible for up to 10 Continuing Education Hours.

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