

PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

RURAL BUDGETS ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES



DATE: October 15, 2009  
TIME: 1:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Peace River Regional District, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT: **Directors**  
Director Wayne Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D', Meeting Chair  
Director Karen Goodings, Electoral Area 'B'  
Director Hadland, Electoral Area 'C'

**Absent**  
Director Caton, Electoral Area 'E'

**Staff**  
Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer  
Shannon Anderson, General Manager or Environmental Services  
Diana Mitchell, Executive/Recording Secretary

1) Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

2) Adoption of Agenda MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hadland, that the Rural Budgets Administration Committee agenda for the October 15, 2009 meeting be adopted.

**CALL TO ORDER:** - *Director Hiebert to chair the meeting*

**DIRECTORS' NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**MINUTES:**

M-1 Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2009.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

**DELEGATIONS:**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

C-1 September 21<sup>st</sup> letter from Jim Hope-Ross replying to our letter regarding his undertaking of an initial review of the *Oil and Gas Activities Act*.

C-2 September 26<sup>th</sup> Grant-in-Aid Request for Funding Amendment from King's Valley Christian Camp.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA: continued**

2) Adoption of Agenda

**REPORTS:**

- R-1 October 13, 2009 report from Director Goodings regarding funding for administration fees for the Wildlife Mitigation Facilitation project.
- R-2 Financial Report as of September 30, 2009 (to be handed out at the meeting)
- 1) Grants-in-Aid;
  - 2) Fair Share Money Market Fund;
  - 3) BC Rail; and
  - 4) Reserve Balances.



**ADJOURNMENT:**

**CARRIED.**

**MINUTES:**

- 3) M-1  
September 17, 2009  
RBAC Meeting Minutes

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hadland, that the Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2009 be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 4) C-1  
Jim Hope-Ross letter re:  
review of the *Oil and Gas Activities Act*

MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Goodings, that a letter be forwarded to Jim Hope-Ross:

- a) thanking him for his reply
- b) stating that with respect to his comments regarding him doing an initial review of the *Oil and Gas Activities Act* the Rural Budgets Administration Committee no longer wishes to proceed with the review; and
- c) asking him if, for a fee of up to \$1,000, he could advise, in writing, if there is anything in the *Oil and Gas Activities Act* that would preclude recognition of landowner issues within the regulations.

**CARRIED.**

MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Goodings, that the Rural Budgets Administration Committee approve paying Jim Hope-Ross up to \$1,000 from the Legislative Electoral Areas Budget to advise if there is anything in the *Oil and Gas Activities Act* that would preclude recognition of landowner issues within the regulations.

**CARRIED.**

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hadland, that the Rural Budgets Administration Committee recommend to the Regional Board that a letter be forwarded to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources requesting the opportunity to review regulations in the *Oil and Gas Act* prior to them being adopted.

**CARRIED.**

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**CORRESPONDENCE: continued**

5) C-2  
King's Valley Christian  
Camp re: GIA funding  
amendment

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the Rural Budgets Administration Committee approve the September 26, 2009  
Grant-in-Aid Funding Amendment for the King's Valley Christian Camp requesting  
funds be applied toward the installation of a booster hot water tank in the main hall  
and toward the cost overruns incurred during the construction of the washrooms at  
the camp.

**CARRIED.**

*\*\*Note: There is a concern that groups requesting their Grant-in-Aid funds be used  
for a project other than originally stated will likely request funds in the future for the  
same initial project.*

**REPORTS:**

6) R-1  
Administration Fees for  
the Wildlife Mitigation  
Project

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the Rural Budgets Administration Committee approve up to \$500 Area 'B' BC  
Rail funding for administration fees for the Wildlife Facilitation project on behalf of  
the Wildlife Committee.

**CARRIED.**

7) R-2  
Financial Report as of  
September, 2009

The August 2009 financial report was reviewed.

It was noted that during the next budget planning, Director Hadland would like to  
increase the amount of Grant-in-Aid funding for Electoral Area 'C'.

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that a letter be forwarded to the Fort St. John Royal Canadian Mounted Police:  
a) thanking them for organizing the Broomball Tournament for the past 26 years;  
b) advising that Electoral Area B would be open to reviewing funding toward the  
tournament in the future; and  
c) requesting that any outstanding Grant-in-Aid funds go toward Royal Canadian  
Mounted Police/student related programs.

**CARRIED.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the meeting adjourn.

**CARRIED.**

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 pm

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Director Wayne Hiebert, Meeting Chair

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Diana Mitchell, Recording Secretary