

PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

Tomslake Transfer Station Relocation

Public Meeting Notes



DATE: Thursday, October 15, 2009
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Tate Creek Community Centre, Tomslake, BC

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PRESENT: Public
Laurel and Horst David
Ed and Daraleah McCullough
Debbie Mazenak
F. Pongratz
Ann Pongratz
Mary Comer
Paul Frosse
Ron Pohl
Max Pohl
Gretel Pohl
Richard Gebhart
Murray Clark
Evelyn Krezzanger
Kathy Kuenzel
Rob Kuenzel
Iva Tuttle
Kenny and Brit Klemmer
Stephanie Waggoner
Mavis Gersch
Mark ?
Linda Fister
Don and Ana Gerard
Sybil Pilz
Jason Kuenzl
Tracy Kuenzl
Otto and Tarry Krauskopf

Peace River Regional District

Director Wayne Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D'

Shannon Anderson, General Manager of Environmental Services

Jeff Rahn, Manager of Solid Waste Services

- 1) Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.
- 2) Background: Mr. Rahn re-capped the October 1, 2009 meeting:
- the Regional District continues to work to reduce the PL-6 sites to full service sites, Tomslake transfer station is the first site to be upgraded;
 - upgraded sites will be fenced, with an attendant and specific hours of operation – similar to a site the Regional District has in Moberly Lake
 - At the October 1st meeting residents suggested alternate sites to the old hall location, one suggestion was the PNG pipe storage yard at the intersection of Highway 20 and Road 197 (5 kilometres north from the hall). The Regional District would need to purchase the property and seek Agriculture Land Commission (ALC) approval for subdivision and non-farm use

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- 2) Background: (continued)
- it was noted that if the Regional District cannot secure tenure it may have to proceed with the original Regional District site.
 - re-development of the site would take place in 2010

- Comments
- \$2.00 per bag is too high
 - Why are we paying for land when you own some already
 - plant trees around the edge of the hall site, more sizable.
 - Ensure property security fencing is installed

Mr. Rahn outlined complaints received at the first meeting. It was noted that the Regional District is in the process of hiring a by-law enforcement officer to aid in addressing illegal dumping problems.

Comment Mr. and Mrs. Kuenzl, who live next to the existing bin site, would like to see the PL-6 bins moved now.

- Comments
- there is a highway access problem with the PNG site
 - need a spot to put garbage for the area
 - need attendant at existing site, if the Regional District plans on keeping it there
 - residents who objected to moving the site at the first meeting are not in attendance at tonight's meeting
 - put the bins where you want, people will complain no matter where you put the bins

Mr. Rahn indicated that no matter where the Regional District puts the transfer station, that construction would not start until next year as there are Agriculture Land Reserve (ALR) approvals required at both sites.

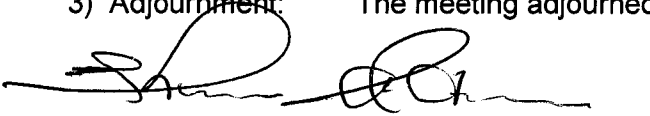
Mr. Anderson asked for a show of hands:
Those in favour of utilizing the original proposed site = 20
Those in favour of utilizing the PNG site = 1

It was explained that the Regional District has the ultimate decision on where the new site will be constructed. The public meeting is provided as forum for public comment and input on the proposed locations. There will be no referendum or mail in ballot system in choosing the final location of the transfer station.

Comment It was suggested that a direct mail out, i.e. newsletter, be forwarded to area residents as a means of keeping them advised on the Regional District's progress.

Mr. Anderson noted that staff will work with neighbours in vicinity of the existing transfer station site to ensure it is working better in the interim and that a location decision will be announced by years end.

3) Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm



Shannon Anderson
General Manager of Environmental Services