



# PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

## APRIL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: April 12, 2012

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: North Peace Cultural Centre Carpet Room, Fort St. John, BC

PRESENT: Directors  
Director Goodings, Chair  
Director Hadland  
Director Caisley  
Director Christensen  
Director Hiebert  
Director Schembri  
Director Bernier  
Director Fynn  
Director Ackerman  
Director Anderson  
Director Nichols

Absent  
Director Jarvis

### Staff

Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer  
Shannon Anderson, General Manager of Environmental Services  
Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer  
Bruce Simard, General Manager of Development Services  
Trish Morgan, Manager of Community Services  
Sheila DeCosta, Secretary – Legislative Services, Recorder

### Others

Arlene Boon, Alternate Director Area B	Kevin Charach, CJDC
Kevin Pearson	Margaret Little
Kyle Corpua	Anne Clayton
Ian Marchuk	Erica Fisher
Miriam Kjos	Jill Copes
Janet Banman	Ron Scobie
Garnet Berge	Heather Hansen
Tanya Mason	Greg Mason
Trent Lindberg	Wes Mayer
Sandy Mayer	Ferrol Pavlis
John Miller	Dan McLeod
Paul Gevetkoff	Shane Cornet
Don Krause	Mary Miller
Ken Siemens	Fern Martens
Karen Mason Bennett	Shelly McPhee

PRESENT: continued

D-1

The Honourable Blair Lekstrom, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure /  
MLA Peace River South  
Pat Pimm, MLA Peace River North

D-2 Spectra Energy Transmission

Jay Morrison, Community Coordinator (T-North) / Community and Aboriginal Relations  
Rod Locke, Manager, Lands Field Operations

1) Call to Order                      The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- 2) Adoption of Agenda      RD/12/04/01  
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Anderson,  
that the Peace River Regional District agenda for the April 12, 2012 meeting, including  
additional handout item D-2, be adopted as amended:
1. Call to Order
  2. Directors' Notice of New Business
  3. Adoption of Agenda
  4. Minutes  
M -1 Regional District Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2012.
  5. Business Arising from the Minutes
  6. Delegations
- 11:00 a.m. D-1 The Honourable Blair Lekstrom, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure  
and MLA Peace River South  
MLA Peace River North, Pat Pimm  
Re: Delegation Agreement – March 3, 2012 letter
- 1:00 p.m. D-2 Spectra Energy Transmission  
Steve Henderson, Manager Community & Aboriginal Relations  
Jay Morrison  
Rod Lock  
Laverne Norris  
Re: Operations Update
- Handout:*  
April 12, 2012 PowerPoint Presentation
7. Petitions
  8. Correspondence
- C-1 March 19, 2012 - BC Hydro Site C Project Team - Public and Stakeholder Consultation.  
C-2 March 26, 2012 - BC Hydro Community Relations Manager - Smart Meters.  
C-3 March 9, 2012 - Ministry of Justice - Invitation to Emergency Management Workshops.  
C-4 March 30, 2012 - Fort St. John Royal Canadian Army Cadets - Invitation to Annual  
Review Ceremony.  
C-5 March 29, 2012 - Heart and Stroke Foundation - Smoke-Free Outdoor Public Places  
Bylaw.  
C-6 April 2, 2012 - UBCM - In the House publication.

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Adoption of Agenda -  
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RD/12/04/01 continued:

9. Reports
  - R-1 April 12, 2012 - Director Goodings - Attendance at the March 23-24 Hydraulic Fracturing meetings.
  - R-2 April 2, 2012 - Faye Salisbury - Corporate Officer - 2012 Annual "Spirit of the Peace" Powwow.
  - R-3 April 2, 2012 - Bruce Simard, GM of Development Services - Pay As You Save Discussion
  - R-4 Development Variance Permit Application 34/2012 (Kitzul).
  - R-5 Non-farm Use Application 54/2012 (ARC Resources Ltd).
  - R-6 ALR Exclusion Application 56/2012 (Lawrence). See B-3
  - R-7 ALR Subdivision Application 44/2012 (Loewen).
  - R-8 April 4, 2012 – Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer –Sign Regulations.
10. By-laws
  - B-1 OCP and Zoning Amendment By-laws No. 2001 and 2003, 2012 (Foster)
    - a) April 3, 2012 report from Jodi MacLean, Land Use Planner;
    - b) "Dawson Creek Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 2001, 2012"; and
    - c) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 2003, 2012".CONSIDERATION OF FIRST AND SECOND READING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING
  - B-2 Zoning Amendment By-law No. 2007, 2012 (Steve's Sand and Gravel Ltd.)
    - a) March 23, 2012 report from Jodi MacLean, Land Use Planner; and
    - b) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 2007, 2012"CONSIDERATION OF FIRST AND SECOND READING AND AUTHORIZATION OF PUBLIC NOTIFICATION
  - B-3 OCP and Zoning Amendment By-law No. 2008 and 2009, 2012 (Lawrence) See R-6
    - a) April 3, 2012 report from Jodi MacLean, Land Use Planner;
    - b) "Dawson Creek Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 2008, 2012"; and
    - c) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 2009, 2012".CONSIDERATION OF FIRST AND SECOND READING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING
11. Diary
  - a) Regional Diary
  - b) Agenda Preparations Schedule
  - c) Schedule of Events
12. New Business
13. Appointments
14. Consent Calendar
  - MA-1 Electoral Area Directors' Committee Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2012.
  - MA-2 Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2012.
  - CA-1 Copy of March 5, 2012 letter from the City of Fort St. John to Director Hadland - Boundary Extension Application Withdrawal.
  - CA-2 March 12, 2012 - Northern Lights College - proposal for a new Trades Training Institute in Prince George.
  - CA-3 March 12, 2012 - Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure - 2012 budget.
  - CA-4 March 26, 2012 - Minister of Environment - Charlie Lake Cave.
  - CA-5 MIABC Quarterly Tidbits publication.
  - CA-6 Copy of the Peace River Regional District's March 29, 2012 letter to the Charlie Lake Volunteer Firefighters - Request to Reconsider.
  - CA-7 March 20, 2012 Minister of Energy and Mines - extension of funding of the Farmers' Advocacy Office for one year.
  - CA-8 Copy of the District of Chetwynd's April 2, 2012 letter of appreciation for Community Recreation Grant.
15. Notice of Motion (for the next meeting):
16. Media Questions (on agenda items and business discussed at the meeting)
17. Adjournment

CARRIED

MINUTES:

3) M-1 RD/12/04/02  
Regional Board MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,  
Meeting Minutes of that the Regional Board Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2012 be adopted. CARRIED  
March 22, 2012  
Director Bernier arrived in the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

4) Business Arising None

CORRESPONDENCE:

5) C-1 RD/12/04/03  
March 19, 2012 MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Christensen,  
- BC Hydro Site C that the Electoral Area Directors be authorized to attend the Local Government  
Project Team Consultation Stakeholder Meeting with BC Hydro on April 19, 2012 at the Lakeview Inn  
- Public and & Suites in Fort St. John, BC. CARRIED  
Stakeholder  
Consultation

6) C-3 RD/12/04/04  
March 9, 2012 MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Anderson,  
- Ministry of Justice that the Electoral Area Directors be authorized to attend the Emergency Management  
- Invitation to BC North East Regional Elected Official Workshop on May 9, 2012 at Quality Inn  
Emergency Northern Grande in Fort St. John, BC. CARRIED  
Management  
Workshops

REPORTS:

7) R-1 RD/12/04/05  
April 12, 2012 MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,  
- Director Goodings that the Water Committee be requested to review any updated information on the water  
- Attendance at the act and regulations as, while we have abundant water, it does need careful  
March 23-24 Hydraulic management. CARRIED  
Fracturing meetings

8) R-2 RD/12/04/06  
April 2, 2012 MOVED by Director Christensen, SECONDED by Director Nichols,  
- Faye Salisbury that the Regional Board provide a grant of \$750 to the "Spirit of the Peace" Powwow  
- 2012 Annual "Spirit of Society to go toward the 7th annual traditional powwow being held in Taylor on June 15  
the Peace" Powwow to 17, 2012. CARRIED

REPORTS: continued

- 9) R-4  
Development Variance  
Permit No. 34/2012  
(Kitzul) RD/12/04/07  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,  
that the Regional Board authorize issuance of Development Variance Permit  
No. 34/2012 to Blaine Kitzul to allow for an increase in the height restriction for a single  
family dwelling, from 10.0 metres (32.80 ft) to 10.54 m (34.58 ft), on Lot 1, Block 7,  
Plan 8871, Section 7, Township 84, Range 18, W6M, PRD, on the basis that the  
increase is marginal. CARRIED
- 10) R-5  
Non-farm Use  
Application 54/2012  
(ARC Resources Ltd) Postponed to the April 26<sup>th</sup> meeting at the request of the applicant.
- 11) R-6  
ALR Exclusion  
Application 56/2012  
(Lawrence) RD/12/04/08  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Schembri,  
that the Regional Board refuse ALR Exclusion Application 56/2012 as submitted, for  
Walter Lawrence to exclude the 31.5 ha (78 acres) of a quarter-section parcel of the  
Southeast ¼ Section 6, Township 78, Range 16, W6M, PRD from the Agricultural Land  
Reserve to facilitate its subdivision for rural residential purposes, to proceed to the  
Agricultural Land Commission on the basis that it is not consistent with the Official  
Community Plan or zoning by-laws. CARRIED
- 12) R-7  
ALR Subdivision  
Application 44/2012  
(Loewen) RD/12/04/09  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Christensen,  
that the Regional Board support ALR Subdivision Application 44/2012 for Diedrich and  
Grace Loewen to subdivide a quarter section from the parent parcel of District Lot 3170;  
and authorize the application to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission as the  
proposal meets the Official Community Plan and Zoning requirements. CARRIED
- 13) R-8  
April 4, 2012  
– Faye Salisbury  
– Sign Regulations RD/12/04/10  
MOVED by Director Christensen, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,  
that sign regulations be included in the forthcoming district-wide zoning by-law. CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

14) B-1  
Zoning Amendment  
By-laws No. 2001 and  
2003, 2012 (Foster)

RD/12/04/11

MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,

- a) that the Regional Board has considered the requirements of Section 879 of the Local Government Act, and has provided opportunity for early and ongoing consultation with those persons, organizations and authorities the Board considers will be affected, as summarized in the Development Services report dated March 12, 2012;
- b) that "North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 2001, 2012 and "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 2003, 2012" which would allow for the subdivision of the Southwest ¼ Section 22, Township 84, Range 20, W6M, PRD, into four 8 ha (20 acre) and two 16 ha (40 acre) lots, be given first and second readings;
- c) that a public hearing be authorized to take place at the Charlie Lake Community Hall in Charlie Lake, BC on a date to be determined; and
- d) that the holding of the public hearing be delegated to Director Hadland.

NAYS 1: Director Bernier

CARRIED

15) B-2  
Zoning Amendment  
By-law No. 2007, 2012  
(Steve's Sand and  
Gravel Ltd.)

RD/12/04/12

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Christensen,

- a) that "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 2007, 2012" which rezones the remainder of the North ½ Section 35, Township 83, Range 19, W6M, PRD from A-2 (Large Agricultural Holdings) to R-4 (Residential 4), C-2 (General Commercial), and I-1 (Light Industrial) in Peace River Regional District Zoning By-law No. 1343, 200, be given first and second readings; and
- b) that the Regional Board waive the holding of a public hearing pursuant to Section 890(4) of the *Local Government Act* and authorize performance of public notification pursuant to Section 893 of the *Local Government Act*.

CARRIED

16) B-3  
OCP and Zoning  
Amendment By-law's  
No. 2008 and 2009,  
2012 (Lawrence)

RD/12/04/13

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,

that the Regional Board refuse first reading of "Dawson Creek Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No 2008, 2012" and "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 2009, 2012" which would allow for the subdivision of the Southeast ¼ Section 6, Township 78, Range 16, W6M, PRD into seventeen 1.8 ha (4.5 acre) lots for rural residential purposes, on the basis that the Dawson Creek Rural Area Official Community Plan By-law No. 477, 2986, does not support rural residential development in this area.

CARRIED

DIARY

RD/12/04/14  
17) Regional Diary/  
Agenda Preparation  
Schedule/ Schedule of  
Events  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Anderson,  
that the following events be added to the schedule of events:  
August 1, 2012                      Vintage Parade from Dawson Creek to Rolla  
August 3, 4, and 5, 2012        Rolla Centennial Homecoming Celebrations  
CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

Director Hadland advised he would be bringing forward a motion to the April 26, 2012 regional board meeting regarding the high cost of natural gas.

DELEGATIONS:

18) D-1  
North and South Peace  
MLAs  
Re: ALC Delegation  
Agreement  
March 3, 2012 letter  
from North and South  
Peace MLA's to the  
Peace River Regional  
District  
The Chair welcomed South Peace MLA Blair Lekstrom and North Peace MLA Pat Pimm to the meeting.  
MLA Pimm spoke of the opportunity last year where he and MLA Lekstrom participated in the provincial review of Bill 19 amendments as they relate to the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*. They were able to highlight the challenges we have locally and came away from those discussions with a sense that changes could be made to improve the current decision making process on Agricultural Reserve Land applications.  
They held a meeting with various stakeholders to obtain their input on what improvements could be made that would allow for a "closer to home" decision making process. Of the twelve recommendations that were brought forward, eight reached consensus agreement . The list of stakeholder representatives and the eight recommendations are referred to in the March 3, 2012 letter from the MLA's to the Peace River Regional District. (*Item D-1 within the April 12, 2012 agenda*)  
Both MLAs requested that the Board arrange a meeting with the Commissioner of the Agricultural Land Commission to start the process toward a delegation agreement. MLA Lekstrom commented that he felt the eight stakeholder recommendations could be addressed in a delegation agreement and still be in accordance with the legislation.  
A discussion period ensued.

RD/12/04/15  
MOVED by Director Christensen, SECONDED by Director Nichols,  
that the Regional Board forward an invitation to Mr. Richard Bullock, Chair Agricultural  
Land Commission to meet with the Board to discuss the possibility of a delegation  
agreement between the Agricultural Land Commission and the Peace River Regional  
District.  
NAYS 1: Director Hadland  
CARRIED

19) Recess                      The meeting recessed for luncheon at 11:40 a.m.

20) Reconvene                The meeting reconvened at 12:40 p.m.

DELEGATIONS: continued

21) D-2 Spectra Energy representatives Jay Morrison, Community Coordinator (T-North) / Spectra Energy Community and Aboriginal Relations, and Rod Locke, Manager, Lands Field Operations Transmission provided background information on Spectra Energy's current and future positions in this region. They went on to provide a specific update of the following three major Jay Morrison expansion projects: T-North 2011, Dawson Project, and T-North 2012 project, which Rod Locke currently employ 496 workers in the area and contribute to the tax base of the region. Re: Operations Update

The complete power point presentation is available for viewing, on the cover of the online April 12, 2012 agenda, as item D-2.

A question and answer period ensued with the following points discussed:

- the request for tertiary development must come from its' customers as Spectra is a mid-stream company which doesn't own the gas, just transits it;
- whether there have been company discussions around the Northern Opportunities funding coming to an end;
- contractors are required to follow Spectra's Code of Conduct;
- sharing of Rights of Way is dependent on the particular project;
- the particulars of the compensation process for farmers and landowners.

The Chair thanked the delegation for their presentation.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

22) Adjournment RD/12/04/16  
MOVED by Director Christensen, SECONDED by Director Hiebert, that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Following the meeting, the Directors participated in an extensive tour of the new Fort St. John Hospital and Residential Care Facility which is scheduled to open in three months.

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Sheila DeCosta, Recording Secretary

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Karen Goodings, Chair

CERTIFIED a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District from a meeting held on April 12, 2012 in the North Peace Cultural Centre Carpet Room, Fort St. John, BC

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Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer