



## PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

### OCTOBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 13, 2011

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Regional District Office Board Room, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT: Directors  
Director Goodings, Chair  
Director Hadland  
Director Lantz  
Director Hiebert  
Director Saugstad  
Director Jarvis  
Director White  
Director Caton  
Director Anderson  
Director Bernier  
Director Ackerman  
Director Clark

#### Staff

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

#### D-1 Wild Horse Oilfield

Jay Morris  
Kathy Longson

#### D-2 Invasive Plant Council of BC

David Borth, Executive Committee Member / Treasurer  
Sonja Leverkus, Chair, Invasive Plant Management Committee, Fort Nelson District

#### D-3 Transport Canada – Pacific Region

James Horbay, Manager Rail Safety  
Ana Coady, Railway Works Engineer

#### D-4 Economic Growth Solutions Inc. and Meadfield Consulting

John Murray, Managing Director

PRESENT: Others

Tara Morgan, Dawson Creek Chamber of Commerce  
Aron Walter, Taylor  
Jordan Dobrohoczki, CJDC TV  
Matthew Bains, Mile O City News  
Jill Earl, Northeast News  
Ben Tschetter  
Peter Tschetter  
Lisa Buckley, Tumbler Ridge  
Jim Kincaid, Tumbler Ridge

1) Call to Order                    The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- 2) Adoption of Agenda        RD/11/10/01  
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,  
that the Peace River Regional District agenda for the October 13, 2011 meeting be  
adopted:
1. Call to Order
  2. Directors' Notice of New Business
  3. Adoption of Agenda
  4. Minutes  
M -1 Regional District Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2011.
  5. Business Arising from the Minutes
  6. Delegations
- 10:15 a.m. D-1 Wild Horse Oilfield Services *See R-7 and R-8*  
Re: Pipe Lay Down Yard  
Jay Morris / Kathy Longson
- 11 a.m. D-2 Invasive Plant Council of BC  
Re: Overview of IPC  
Dave Borth, Executive Committee Member / Treasurer
- 1 p.m. D-3 Transport Canada – Pacific Region  
Re: Rail Safety / Roles / Responsibilities  
James Horbay, Manager Rail Safety – Engineering  
Ana Coady, Railway Works Engineer
- 2 p.m. D-4 Economic Growth Solutions Inc. and Meadfield Consulting *See R-4*  
Re: Peace Regional Palaeontology Research Centre Funding Strategy  
Final Report  
John Murray, Managing Director
7. Petitions
  8. Correspondence
- C-1 September 19, 2011 – Spectra Energy – T-North 2012 Expansion Project.  
C-2 September 30, 2011 – Federal and Provincial Ministers of Environment - News Release  
– Site C Clean Energy Project Environmental Assessment Process and Draft  
Agreement.  
C-3 October 4, 2011 UBCM Member Release – 2011 Resolutions Disposition & 2011-2012  
UBCM Executive List.  
C-4 September 28, 2011 – Doig River First Nation – Proposed Urban Reserve in Fort St.  
John.

Adoption of Agenda -  
continued

RD/11/10/01 continued:

9. Reports
  - R-1 ALR Non-farm Use Application 118/2010 (Walter).
  - R-2 ALR Non-farm Use Application 157/2011 (SP Hutterian Brethren Church).
  - R-3 ALR Non-farm Use Application 143/2011 (Hall).
  - R-4 October 3, 2011 – Fred Banham, CAO – Peace Region Palaeontology Research Centre Funding Strategy. See D-4
  - R-5 October 5, 2011 – Shannon Anderson, Deputy CAO – Award for the Accessible Entrance Renovation at the Dawson Creek office.
  - R-6 October 5, 2011 - Trish Morgan, Manager of Community Services - Application to the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program for Emergency Response Plan Update.
  - R-7 ALR Exclusion Application 083/2011 (Wild Horse Oilfield Services).
  - R-8 Temporary Use Permit Application 160/2011 (Wild Horse Oilfield Services).
10. By-laws
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' Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2011.
  - MA-2 Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2011.
  - CA-1 July 13, 2011 – copy of Director Hadland's letter to the Minister of Environment – Proposed Site 'C' – request for full panel review.
  - CA-2 Spirit of the Peace Powwow Society – summary of event and letter of appreciation.
  - CA-3 September 21, 2011 Community Futures note of appreciation.
  - CA-4 October 5, 2011 – North Central Local Government Association – Age-friendly BC Announcement.
  - RA-1 August 2011 Monthly Building Permit Report.
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  
Regional Board  
Meeting Minutes of  
September 22, 2011

RD/11/10/02  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that the Regional Board Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2011 be adopted.

CARRIED

4) BA-1  
Re: page 4, Item D-1  
SPCA Delegation

RD/11/10/03  
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,  
that the Regional Board forward an invitation to Peter Havlik, North Peace SPCA to  
come as a delegation to a future meeting of the Board.

CARRIED

RD/11/10/04  
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that the Regional Board forward a letter to Lynn Way, who made a presentation to the  
Board on September 22, 2011 regarding the SPCA building in Dawson Creek, and  
services to the surrounding municipalities; advising her that the Board is awaiting  
further information regarding regional SPCA services.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

- 5) D-1  
Wild Horse Oilfield  
Services  
Jay Morris  
Kathy Longson
- Re: R-7  
ALR Exclusion  
Application 083/2011
- and
- R-8  
Temporary Use Permit  
Application 160/2011
- Director Saugstad declared a conflict regarding items D-1; R-7 and R-8 and left the room at 10:13 a.m.
- The Chair welcomed Jay Morris and Kathy Longson to the meeting. Mr. Morris provided an historical account of the applications he has submitted both to the Agricultural Land Commission and to the Peace River Regional District, on the land he purchased in the Beryl Prairie area in 2009. He stated that he submitted the multiple applications in an effort to be compliant with the local government zoning by-laws and land use plans. Kathy Longson went on to say that Mr. Morris had three different governing bodies to deal with and in the process, thought that the Board approval he received in March 2011 meant everything was in place to proceed with the pipe lay down yard. He explained that although he lives in Alberta, his family spends approximately forty percent of their time in the Hudson's Hope area and wants to be involved in the community.
- Director Bernier arrived in the meeting at 10:17 a.m.
- A question and answer period ensued.
- The Chair advised the delegates that the Board would be making its decision later in the meeting, following the review of items R-7 and R-8.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 6) C-2  
Federal and Provincial  
Ministers of  
Environment News  
Release re: Site C
- Director Saugstad returned to the meeting at 10:42 a.m.
- RD/11/10/05  
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that staff be directed to come forward with a strategy at the October 27<sup>th</sup> meeting, on how the Regional District can move forward with the province to remove the prohibition of natural gas, from the *Clean Energy Act*.
- CARRIED

DELEGATIONS - continued

- 7) D-2  
Invasive Plant Council  
of BC
- David Borth, Executive  
Committee Member /  
Treasurer
- Sonja Leverkus, Fort  
Nelson District
- David Borth, Executive Committee Member/ Treasurer of the Invasive Plant Council of BC, a non-profit society, gave a presentation to the Board about the progress and next steps of the IPCBC. This large provincial/national network is hard at work coordinating invasive species management in British Columbia. The IPCBC Council's Board, and five committees, including the North East Invasive Plant Committee. Their primary functions are to:
- Educate public and professionals about invasive species and their risk to ecosystems and economies;
  - Fund research relating to invasive species; and,
  - Undertake and support actions that improve the health of BC's natural ecosystems.
- Sonja Leverkus, Chair of the Northern Rockies IMPC updated the Board on discussions related to the proposed broadening of their management role.

DELEGATIONS - continued

- D-2 – continued RD/11/10/06  
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,  
Invasive Plant Council of BC that the power point presentation as provided by David Borth, Executive Committee Member / Treasurer regarding the Invasive Plant Council of BC, be received. CARRIED
- David Borth, Executive Committee Member / Treasurer A question and answer period ensued.  
The link to the full presentation (Item D-2) is available for viewing on the cover of the October 13, 2011 agenda on the Regional District website [www.prrd.bc.ca](http://www.prrd.bc.ca)
- Sonja Leverkus, Fort Nelson District
- 8) Recess The meeting recessed for coffee at 11:25 a.m.
- 9) Reconvene The meeting reconvened at 11:32 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE - continued

- 10) C-4 RD/11/10/07  
Doig River First Nation – Proposed Urban Reserve in Fort St. John. MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director White, that the Chair and appropriate staff be authorized to meet with the Doig River First Nation representatives, to receive an update on their proposed urban reserve in Fort St. John. CARRIED
- RD/11/10/08  
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert, that, if it is determined that he should attend, Director Hadland also be authorized to meet with the Doig River First Nation representatives, to receive an update on their proposed urban reserve in Fort St. John. CARRIED

REPORTS:

- 11) R-1 RD/11/10/09  
ALR Non-farm Use Application (118/2010) (Walter) MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Anderson, that the Regional Board refuse ALR Non-farm Use Application 118/2010 for Aron and Anna Walter, which would allow a third and fourth mobile home on the Northeast ¼ of Section 19, Township 81, Range 17, PRD except plan A938 to provide residences for family members, on the basis that it is not supported by the Official Community Plan or Zoning. CARRIED

REPORTS: continued

- 12) R-2  
ALR Non-farm Use  
Application (157/2011)  
(SP Hutterian Brethren  
Church)
- RD/11/10/10  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Caton,  
that the Regional Board support ALR Non-farm Use Application 157/2011 for South  
Peace Hutterian Brethren Church to operate a landfill for Specified Risk Materials  
(livestock and poultry tissue) in conjunction with a Class A Abattoir (slaughter and  
processing); and authorize the application to proceed to the Agricultural Land  
Commission as the proposal is consistent with the Official Community Plan and Zoning  
By-laws.
- CARRIED
- 13) R-3  
ALR Non-farm Use  
Application 143/2011  
(Hall)
- RD/11/10/11  
MOVED by Director Bernier, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that item R-3 be tabled until later in the meeting.
- CARRIED
- 14) R-4  
October 3, 2011 - Fred  
Banham, CAO - Peace  
Region Palaeontology  
Research Centre  
Funding Strategy
- RD/11/10/12  
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that item R-4 be tabled until later in the meeting.
- CARRIED
- 15) R-5  
October 5, 2011 -  
Shannon Anderson,  
Deputy CAO - Award  
for the Accessible  
Entrance Renovation  
at the Dawson Creek  
office
- RD/11/10/13  
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Saugstad,  
that the Regional Board award the Dawson Creek office Accessible Entrance  
Renovation project to Hegge Construction Ltd., Dawson Creek, in the amount of  
\$236,320 including applicable taxes.
- CARRIED
- 16) Recess for  
luncheon
- The meeting recessed for luncheon at 12 noon.
- 17) Reconvene
- The meeting reconvened at 1:08 p.m.

DELEGATIONS - continued

- 18) D-3  
Transport Canada –  
Pacific Region
- James Horbay,  
Manager of Rail Safety
- Ana Coady, Railway  
Works Engineer
- The Chair welcomed James Horbay, Manager of Rail Safety and Ana Coady, Railway  
Works Engineer, Transport Canada, Pacific Region to the meeting. The presenters  
addressed rail safety, roles and responsibilities of the Rail Safety Branch of Transport  
Canada responsible for operations, equipment, safety management system and  
engineering. The Surface Branch takes applications for two grant programs: (1) Grade  
Crossing Improvement Program; and (2) Grade Crossing Closure Program (GCCP).  
The latter is an incentive to close unnecessary public and private crossings.
- The full presentation is available as item D-3 within the October 13, 2011 Regional  
Board Agenda on the Regional District website [www.prrd.bc.ca](http://www.prrd.bc.ca)

DELEGATIONS - continued

D-3 continued

Transport Canada –  
Pacific Region

Mr. Horbay spoke of expected amendments which would be coming to the *Railway Safety Act* and of how the changes would increase responsibilities and provide greater authority to address infractions. He recommended perusal of the new RTD-10 standard regulations that are available on the Transport Canada website.

A question and answer period ensued regarding the following local matters of Board concern:

- Mason Road rail crossing in the Bessborough area;
- whose jurisdiction the maintenance of rail crossings falls under;
- railway culverts that are too small, particularly in the case of flooding, as occurred in the Pine Pass;
- inadequate site lines for larger sized traffic;
- the angle of crossings, particularly at un-lit sights;
- private railroad crossings on farmland; / fencings issues;
- Hythe Rail line, unmaintained crossings and site lines;
- Highway 2 rail crossing at Tupper;
- CNR not following through with BC Rail agreements, particularly with landowners; and
- four dangerous un-signalled railway crossings in the region.

Director Saugstad excused himself from the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

On behalf of the Board, Chair Goodings expressed appreciation, to the Rail Transport delegation for their informative presentation and interest in the Board's concerns.

The delegation left the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

19) D-4  
Economic Growth  
Solutions Inc. and  
Meadfield Consulting

The Funding Strategy Report was presented by consultant John Murray of Economic Growth Solutions, and is a result of the Tumbler Ridge Museum Society requesting ongoing taxation funding support from the Regional District for their Peace Region Palaeontology Research Centre (PRPRC).

Re: R-4 - Peace  
Region Palaeontology  
Research Centre  
Funding Strategy

The Peace River Regional District (PRRD), in partnership with the District of Tumbler Ridge (DTR), commissioned the study to evaluate the operational and capital requirements of the PRPRC, identify funding local government should consider, and to identify other funding partners in order to achieve the ultimate vision of the Tumbler Ridge Museum Society.

The report identifies local government as a potential funding partner in the Peace Region Paleontology Research Centre from an economic development perspective (displays, tours, marketing). The full presentation is available as item D-4 within the October 13, 2011 Regional Board Agenda on the Regional District website [www.prrd.bc.ca](http://www.prrd.bc.ca)

REPORTS:

- RD/11/10/14  
20) R-4  
October 3, 2011 - Fred  
Banham, CAO - Peace  
Region Palaeontology  
Research Centre  
Funding Strategy  
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,  
that item R-4 be lifted from the table. CARRIED
- RD/11/10/15  
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,  
a) that the Regional Board receive the Peace Region Palaeontology Research Centre  
Funding Strategy report; and  
b) that the report be referred to the Regional District and District of Tumbler Ridge  
staff to identify funding priorities and options for future funding consideration by  
elected officials. CARRIED
- RD/11/10/16  
21) R-6  
October 5, 2011 - Trish  
Morgan, Manager of  
Community Services -  
Application to JEPP  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that the Regional Board authorize staff to make application to the Joint Emergency  
Preparedness Program for funding of up to \$20,000 to update and enhance the Peace  
River Regional District's Emergency Response Plan. CARRIED
- RD/11/10/17  
22) R-7  
ALR Exclusion  
Application 083/2011  
(Wild Horse Oilfield  
Services)  
MOVED by Director Anderson, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the October 12, 2011 handout response referral resolution of opposition from the  
District of Hudson's Hope be received. CARRIED
- RD/11/10/18  
and Handout  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Anderson,  
that the Regional Board refer ALR Exclusion Application 083/2011 for Wild Horse  
Oilfield Services to exclude 10 ha of the 120.88 ha Parcel A, Plan PGP 35612, District  
Lot 1252, PRD, to the Agricultural Land Commission with no comment and no support  
for the exclusion. NAYS: 10 DEFEATED
- RD/11/10/19  
MOVED by Director White, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,  
that the ALR Exclusion Application 083/2011 (Wild Horse Oilfield Services) be referred  
to the October 27, 2011 Regional Board Meeting. NAYS: 6 DEFEATED
- RD/11/10/20  
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the Regional Board refuse authorization for ALR Exclusion Application 083/2011,  
for Wild Horse Oilfield Services to exclude 10 ha of the 120.88 ha Parcel A, Plan PGP  
35612, District Lot 1252, PRD, as submitted, to proceed to the Agricultural Land  
Commission as the proposal does not meet Official Community Plan and Zoning  
requirements. NAYS: 5 CARRIED

REPORTS: continued

- 23) R-3  
ALR Non-farm Use  
Application 143/2011  
(Hall)
- RD/11/10/21  
MOVED by Director Anderson, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that item R-3 be lifted from the table.
- CARRIED
- RD/11/10/22  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director White,  
that the Regional Board refuse ALR Non-farm Use Application 143/2011 for Lee and  
Kristin Hall for permission to utilize ~18.6 acres of the parent parcel of Lot 2, BCP7979,  
District Lot 1242, PRD for the development of a year round campground facility  
consisting of 50 spaces including manager's quarters and laundry/shower building; on  
the basis that it does not conform to the Official Community Plan or Zoning of the area.
- CARRIED
- 24) Consent Calendar
- RD/11/10/23  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Clark,  
that the October 13, 2011 Consent Calendar be received.
- CARRIED
- 25) Adjournment
- RD/11/10/24  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,  
that the meeting adjourn.
- CARRIED
- The meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

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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 October 13, 2011 in the Regional District Office Board Room, Dawson Creek, B.C.

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Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer