



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: November 10, 2011

TIME: 10:25 a.m.

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

PRESENT: Directors
Director Goodings Chair
Director Hiebert
Director Caton
Director Lantz
Director Jarvis
Director White
Director Clark
Director Ackerman
Director Hadland

Alternate Directors
Alternate Director Shuman

Absent
Director Bernier
Director Anderson
Director Saugstad

Staff

Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer
Shannon Anderson, Deputy CAO
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

Others

Jenny Spitz, SP SPCA
Kate Hutchinson, CJDC TV
Wendy Davies, SP SPCA
Lynn Way, Tumbler Ridge

D-1 North Peace SPCA

Peter Havlik, Director North Region
Rosalyn Kalb, NP Branch Manager

D-2 Swan Lake Enhancement Society

Murray Clark
Allen Watson

- 1) Call to Order The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:26 a.m.

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

2) Adoption of Agenda

RD/11/11/01

MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert, that the Peace River Regional District agenda for the November 10, 2011 meeting, including additional handout items for the agenda, be adopted as amended:

1. Call to Order
2. Directors' Notice of New Business
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Minutes
5. Business Arising from the Minutes
6. Delegations

11:00 a.m. D-1 North Peace SPCA
Re: Regional Perspective
Peter Havlik

Rosalynn Kalb, Branch Manager

11:30 a.m. D-2 Swan Lake Enhancement Society
Re: Four Lane Proposal over Tupper Creek
Murray Clark
Allen Watson

7. Petitions
8. Correspondence
 - C-1 October 20, 2011 - Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations - participation in the modernization of the Water Act.
 - C-2 October 26, 2011 - UBCM Member Release - Natural Resource Roads.
 - C-3 October 27, 2011 - Ministry of Finance - BC Hydro's Exemption from property taxation.
9. Reports
 - R-1 October 21, 2011 - Chair Agriculture Advisory Committee - October 18, 2011 meeting recommendations. See MA-1
 - R-2 October 28, 2011 - Elaine Armagost, Manager of Invasive Plants - Special Committee on Cosmetic Pesticides.
 - R-3 November 1, 2011 - Fred Banham, CAO - PRRD Board Orientation, Strategic Planning & Elected Official Workshop.
 - R-4 2011 Operational Strategic Plan.
 - R-5 November 2, 2011 - Fred Banham, CAO - Prohibition of Natural Gas for the Clean Energy Act.
 - R-6 October 14, 2011 - Ken Kalirai, Assistant Manager of Development Services - North Peace Industrial Land Use Study.
 - R-7 ALR Subdivision Application 159/2011 (Nelson)
 - R-8 November 4, 2011 - Bruce Simard, GM of Development Services - Unsightly Premises Order (Lundquist).

Handout:

R-9 October 28, 2011 – Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer – October 20, 2011 Electoral Area Directors' Committee meeting recommendation. See MA-3

10. By-laws

B-1 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing By-law No. 1991, 2011

- a) October 31, 2011 report from Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer; and
- b) " Revenue Anticipation Borrowing By-law No. 1991, 2011"

CONSIDERATION OF FIRST THREE READINGS AND ADOPTION

B-2 Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1986, 2011 (Pollard)

- a) August 30, 2011 report from Timothy Donegan, Land Use Planner; and
- b) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1986, 2011."

CONSIDERATION OF THIRD READING

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Adoption of Agenda -
continued

RD/11/11/01 continued:

10. By-laws - continued
 - B-3 Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1992, 2011 (North Pine Community Church)
 - a) October 27, 2011 report from Jodi MacLean, Land Use Planner; and
 - b) "Peace River Regional District Zoning amendment By-law No. 1992, 2011"
CONSIDERATION OF FIRST TWO READINGS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PUBLIC NOTIFICATION
 - B-4 North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1994, 2011
 - a) November 3, 2011 report from Bruce Simard, GM of Development Services, and
 - b) "North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1994, 2011";
CONSIDERATION OF FIRST TWO READINGS 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 Agriculture Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2011.
 - MA-2 Electoral Area Directors' Committee Meeting Minutes of October 12, 2011.
 - MA-3 Electoral Area Directors' Committee Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2011.
 - MA-4 Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2011.
 - CA-1 October 21, 2011 - Peace Liard Regional Arts Council - letter of appreciation.
 - CA-2 Copy of October 31, 2011 District of Hudson's Hope letter to Dawson Creek Forest District – Logging Cutblock H.H. 59.
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
October 27, 2011

RD/11/11/02
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the Regional Board Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2011 be adopted.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

4) C-1
October 20, 2011 -
Ministry of Forests,
Lands and Natural
Resource Operations -
participation in the
modernization of the
Water Act

RD/11/11/03
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hadland,

- a) that the Terms of Reference of the Peace River Regional District Water Act Modernization Committee be enhanced to include water stewardship; and
- b) that the October 20, 2011 response (Item C-1, November 10, 2011) from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations regarding participation in the modernization of the *Water Act* be forwarded to the Water Act Modernization Committee for preparation of a response, to be reviewed by the Board.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE: continued

- 5) C-3
October 27, 2011 -
Ministry of Finance -
BC Hydro's Exemption
from property taxation
- RD/11/11/04
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Caton,
that the October 27, 2011 response (Item C-3, November 10, 2011) from the Deputy
Minister of Finance regarding BC Hydro's exemption from property taxation be referred
to a future meeting, when a representative from the District of Hudson's Hope will be in
attendance.
- 6) Recess
The meeting recessed a 10:40 a.m.
- 7) Reconvene
The meeting reconvened at 10:50 a.m.
- CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

- 8) D-1
Regional SPCA
Peter Havlik
Rosalynn Kalb,
NP Branch Manager
- In order to obtain a full regional perspective on the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to
Animals (SPCA) services in the region the Board invited Regional SPCA Director,
Peter Havlik and Rosalynn Kalb, North Peace Branch Manager to come as a
delegation. South Peace SPCA members, who presented on September 22, 2011
were also invited to hear the presentation.
- Powerpoint
and
Handout of requested
information from the
SP SPCA
- Through a powerpoint presentation Mr. Havlik elaborated on the north peace animal
shelter's history; association with BC SPCA; service area; and programs. He provided
intake statistics and outlined how they are funded and explained their relationship with
the City of Fort St. John. Photos comparisons of the north and south peace facilities
revealed the crumbling walls and inadequacies of the south peace building. Mr. Havlik
concurred that the south peace branch is in dire need of operational funding assurance
before it can proceed with fundraising efforts toward upgrading or building a new
facility. Following a discussion period, in which Director White inquired about the
estimated amount of annual operational funding required; Mr. Havlik said he would
forward the South Peace budget information to the Regional District.
- The full presentation (Item D-1) is available for viewing on the cover of the
November 10, 2011 agenda on the Regional District website www.prrd.bc.ca
- In response to the Board's September 22, 2011 request for further information, Wendy
Davies, SP SPCA Branch Manager provided a list of the costs of caring for dogs / cats
as well as a breakdown of the intake of animals from various locations in the region.
- RD/11/11/05
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Caton,
that the powerpoint presentation as provided by Peter Havlik of the North Peace SPCA
and the additional handout of statistical information from the South Peace SPCA be
received.
- 9) Recess
The meeting recessed a 11:30 a.m.
- 10) Reconvene
The meeting reconvened at 11:35 a.m.
- CARRIED

DELEGATIONS: continued

11) D-2
Swan Lake
Enhancement Society
Murray Clark
Allen Watson

The Chair welcomed Swan Lake Enhancement Society (SLES) member Allen Watson and advisor, Murray Clark to the meeting. The gentlemen highlighted the accomplishments in protecting the lake, since the society was established in 1982.

Mr. Clark spoke about inadequate culverts that were installed on Highway 2, after washouts occurred in the mid 1960's, which have stopped the fish flow; caused serious erosion; and drastically increased the amount of sediment flowing into the lake. After making little progress with the Ministry of Transportation in having the problems rectified, SLES and the South Peace Wilderness Society worked together to build an upstream fish passage in 1972. Unfortunately, the passage was damaged this year in the spring flood event.

The recent announcement from the Ministry of Transportation regarding future four laneing of the highway has prompted the Society to request involvement in the planning process, to ensure that protection / enhancement of this recreational resource is incorporated into the project. The gentlemen clarified that they are not opposed to the four laneing proposal, but would like to work with the Regional District and South Peace MLA Blair Lekstrom, to ensure that the best option for environmental safety is carried out by the Ministry of Transportation.

A question and answer period ensued.

RD/11/11/06

MOVED by Director White, SECONDED by Director Hadland, that a representative from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure be invited to come to a Regional Board meeting to update the Board on what the Ministry's plans are in relation to four laneing Highway 2, in particular the Tupper Creek / Swan Lake area.

CARRIED

12) Vary Agenda

RD/11/11/07

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland, that the agenda be varied to deal with item R-9 at this time.

CARRIED.

REPORTS:

13) R-9
Handout:
October 20, 2011
EADC Meeting
Recommendation

RD/11/11/08

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland, that a letter of support be written for the Swan Lake Enhancement Society's request to be included in the decision-making process in order to have input into the design of the reconstruction of the highway and roadways in the vicinity of Swan Lake.

RD/11/11/09

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland, that resolution RD/11/11/08 be tabled until later in the meeting.

CARRIED

14) Recess

The meeting recessed for luncheon at 11:56 a.m.

REPORTS: continued

- R-1 - continued RD/11/11/15
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Alternate Director Shuman,
#6 re: Pipeline Rights- that a letter be forwarded to Cheryl Vickers, Surface Rights Board requesting that the
of-Way placement of additional pipelines in existing pipeline rights-of-way be renegotiated with
landowners as the installation of another pipeline disrupts agricultural operations.
- RD/11/11/16
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that resolution RD/11/11/15 regarding pipeline rights-of-way be referred back to the
Agriculture Advisory Committee, to reword / clarify the resolution. CARRIED
- #7 re: Terms of RD/11/11/17
Reference (ToR) – MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
ALR Applications that the Agriculture Advisory Committee be provided an opportunity to review and
provide recommendations electronically to the Regional Board, on Agriculture Land
Reserve applications that impact agricultural lands.
- NAYS: 8 DEFEATED
- #8 re: ToR Alternate No action was taken by the Board on recommendation #8.
Appointments – Vote /
Mileage
- #9 re: ToR RD/11/11/18
Members at Large MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
Alternates that Agriculture Advisory Committee Members at Large be permitted to have an
Alternate.
NAYS 4: Directors Caton, Ackerman, Lantz and Alternate Director Shuman CARRIED
- 17) R-2 RD/11/11/19
October 28, 2011 - MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
Elaine Armagost, that the Regional Board authorize the North East Invasive Plant Committee to provide
Manager of Invasive comment to the Provincial Government's Special Committee on Cosmetic Pesticides,
Plants strongly suggesting that there is a valuable purpose and use for herbicides in the
- Special Committee on control of invasive plants. CARRIED
Cosmetic Pesticides
- 18) R-3 RD/11/11/20
November 1, 2011 - MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
Fred Banham, CAO - that the Regional Board authorize the following three special functions for the Peace
PRRD Board River Regional District Board of Directors:
Orientation, Strategic
Planning & Elected
Official Workshop
- i. PRRD Board of Directors Orientation (December 14, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.)
 - ii. PRRD Strategic Planning Workshop (January 3, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. and January 4,
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
 - iii. Elected Official Workshop (January 19, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.)
- CARRIED

REPORTS: continued

19) R-4
2011 Operational
Strategic Plan

RD/11/11/21
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the 2011 Operational Strategic Plan be received as presented.

CARRIED

20) R-5
November 2, 2011 -
Fred Banham, CAO
- Prohibition of Natural
Gas from the Clean
Energy Act

RD/11/11/22
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Caton,
that a task group be created in 2012 that has the technical and political expertise to
come forward with a strategy on how to lobby the province to amend the *Clean Energy
Act* to allow the burning of natural gas for the production of electricity.

NAYS 6: Directors Caton, White, Jarvis, Lantz, Hadland, Alternate Director Shuman

DEFEATED

RD/11/11/23
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Caton,
that the Regional Board forward a letter to the Minister responsible for the *Clean Energy
Act*, to request that the *Clean Energy Act* be amended to allow for the generation of
electricity from natural gas.

NAYS 1: Alternate Director Shuman

CARRIED

Resolution regarding
the Peace River Site C
Hydro project that was
referred from the
October 27, 2011
meeting

RD/11/11/24
MOVED by Director White, SECONDED by Director Hadland
that since the staff report regarding the prohibition of natural gas from the *Clean Energy
Act* has now been received, the Board consider the resolution regarding the Peace
River Site C Hydro project that was referred from the October 27, 2011 Board meeting.

CARRIED

RD/11/11/10/10 (27)
MOVED by Director White, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
"WHEREAS the Province intends to flood a valuable stretch of the Peace River
Valley for the Peace River Site 'C' Hydro Project;

AND WHEREAS the Peace River Regional District does not believe that
alternative energy sources, in particular natural gas, have been sufficiently
considered;

AND WHEREAS natural gas should be included into the Clean Energy Act;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Peace River Regional District write a
letter to the appropriate ministries stating its opposition to the Peace River Site
'C' Hydro Project until such time as changes to the Clean Energy Act are
implemented and due consideration for the use of natural gas for power
generation, in lieu of flooding the Peace River, has been made."

The Chair called the question on the motion

NAYS: 9

DEFEATED

REPORTS: continued

- RD/11/11/25
21) R-7
ALR Subdivision
Application 159/2011
(Nelson)
MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the Regional Board refuse ALR Subdivision Application 159, 2011, as submitted,
for Blaine and Miranda Nelson to subdivide a 4 ha (10 acre) property from the
northwest corner of the Northwest ¼ Section 18, Township 85, Range 19, W6M, PRD,
to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission, on the basis that it is not consistent
with the Official Community Plan.
CARRIED
- RD/11/11/26
22) R-8
November 4, 2011 -
Bruce Simard, GM of
Development Services
- Unsightly Premises
Order (Lundquist).
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that pursuant to section 3.4.4, subsection 3.4.5.3. of the Unsightly Premises By-law No.
1892, 2010, the Board:
a) extends the date to November 30, 2011, by which Lot 1, Plan 9697, Part
Northwest ¼ Section 24, Township 83, Range 16, W6M, PRD must cease to be an
unsightly premise; and
b) authorizes enforcement action, in the event of non-compliance by November 30,
2011.
CARRIED
- RD/11/11/27
23) Lift from the table
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that resolution RD/11/11/08 be lifted from the table.
CARRIED
- RD/11/11/08
24) R-9
Handout:
October 20, 2011
EADC Meeting
Recommendation
*MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that a letter of support be written for the Swan Lake Enhancement Society's
request to be included in the decision-making process in order to have input into
the design of the reconstruction of the highway and roadways in the vicinity of
Swan Lake.*
CARRIED
- The Chair called the question on the motion. CARRIED
- BY-LAWS:
- RD/11/11/28
25) B-1
Revenue Anticipation
Borrowing By-law No.
1991, 2011
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that "Revenue Anticipation Borrowing By-law No. 1991, 2011" be given first three
readings. CARRIED
- RD/11/11/29
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that permission be granted to adopt "Revenue Anticipation Borrowing By-law No. 1991,
2011". CARRIED
- RD/11/11/30
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that "Revenue Anticipation Borrowing By-law No. 1991, 2011" be adopted. CARRIED
- RD/11/11/31
26) B-2
Zoning Amendment
By-law No. 1986, 2011
(Pollard)
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1986, 2011" be
given third reading. CARRIED

BY-LAWS: continued

RD/11/11/32
27) B-3
Zoning Amendment
By-law No. 1992, 2011
(North Pine Community
Church)
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Caton,
a) that "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1992, 2011" which rezones Parcel C (12466M) Northeast ¼ Section 33, Township 85, Range 18, W6M, PRD, from P (Public Use Zone) to R-2 (Residential 2) in Peace River Regional District Zoning By-law No. 1000, 1996, 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 the performance of public notification pursuant to Section 893 of the *Local Government Act*.
CARRIED

RD/11/11/33
28) B-4
North Peace Fringe
Area Official
Community Plan
Amendment By-law
No. 1994, 2011
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
a) that "North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1994, 2011" to amend the "North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan By-Law No. 1870, 2009" be given first and second readings;
b) that authorization be given to hold a public hearing on a date to be determined; and
c) that the holding of the public hearing be delegated to Director Hadland.
CARRIED

DIARY

RD/11/11/34
29) Regional Diary/
Agenda Preparation
Schedule/ Schedule of
Events
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the November 10, 2011 Regional Diary/ Agenda Preparation Schedule/ Schedule of Events be received.
CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION:

Director Hadland advised he would be bringing forward motions to the November 24, 2011 meeting, on the following topics:
30) NM-1
Director Hadland
1. Clean Energy Act / BC Utilities Commission; and
2. Hudson's Bay Cemetery Site on Crown Land.

RD/11/11/35
31) Adjournment
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the meeting adjourn.
CARRIED
The meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Sheila DeCosta, Recording Secretary

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 November 10, 2011 in the Regional District Office Board Room, Dawson Creek, B.C.

Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer