



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: February 12, 2009

TIME: 10 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 Ackerman
Director Clark

Alternate Directors
Alternate Director Rose

Absent
Director Caton
Director Bernier
Director Anderson

Staff

Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer
Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer
Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer
Debbie Kunz, Assistant Manager of Development Services
Shannon Anderson, General Manager of Environmental Services
Barb Coburn, Recording Secretary

Others

Katie Smith, Peace FM / Kiwanis Enterprise Centre
Tessa Holloway, Alaska Highway News
Matthew Bains, Northeast News
Greg Amos, Dawson Creek Daily News
Rob Mackay, Tumbler Ridge Alternate Director
Margaret Sutton, Retired Teacher, SP Seniors' Access Society

D-1 Save our Northern Seniors (SONS)

Margaret Little, Vice President
Jean Leahy, Chair; and
Jim Little, member
Re: Update on Community Health Guide

D-2 Smart Growth BC Advisory Services

Tom Lancaster, Consultant and
Claire Williams, M.A. Planning
Re: South Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan

1) Call to Order The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

Director Hadland	Area 'C' Appointment to the North Peace Airport Commission
Chair Goodings	Fort St. John Results Based Pilot Project, Public Advisory Group
Chair Goodings	Prince George Airport Runway Grand Opening

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

2) Adoption of Agenda RD/09/02/01
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that the Peace River Regional District agenda for the February 12, 2009 meeting,
including Director's new business and additional items for the agenda, be adopted as
amended:

CALL TO ORDER:

DIRECTORS' NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MINUTES:

M-1 Regional Board Meeting Minutes of January 29, 2009.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

DELEGATIONS:

- D-1 Save Our Northern Seniors (SONS)
Margaret Little, Vice President
Re: Update on future plans and potential issues / Community Health Guide
- D-2 Smart Growth BC Advisory Services
Tom Lancaster, Consultant
Claire Williams, M.A. Planning
Re: South Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan

PETITIONS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

- C-1 January 22, 2009 notice from Carol McClintock, Emergency Management British Columbia, B.C., regarding 2009 Workshops for Elected Officials.
- C-2 January 26, 2009 letter from Sheila Withrow, NE Manager, Public Health Protection, Northern Health regarding the West Nile Virus Program Summary for 2008.
- C-3 January 27, 2008 letter from John Turner, Chair, Board of Directors, Prince George United Way, regarding the name change to the "United Way of Northern British Columbia".
- C-4 January 28, 2009 In the House publication from the Union of BC Municipalities regarding the 2009 Federal Budget.
- C-5 January 29, 2009 news release from the Union of BC Municipalities, regarding response to the federal budget delivered January 27, 2009.

REPORTS:

- R1 January 28, 2009 report from Director Hiebert, Chair - Agriculture Advisory Committee regarding recommendations from the January 27, 2009 meeting.
- R-2 January 29, 2009 report from Wayne Hiebert, Working Group Liaison and Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer regarding providing a grant to the Northeast Oil & Gas Health Working Group.
- R-3 January 30, 2009 report from Ron Storie, Manager of Community Services regarding the Charlie Lake Volunteer Fire Department Parking Lot.
- R-4 January 30, 2009 report from Ron Storie, Manager of Community Services regarding the Buick Creek Arena Building Committee Recommendation.
- R-5 February 4, 2009 report from Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer regarding the Local Government Appeal Process.
- R-6 February 4, 2009 report from Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer regarding the Peace River Regional District Strategic Plan.
- R-7 February 10, 2009 report from Development Services regarding the Environmental Assessment Office Working Group participation for a Proposed Heritage Secure Landfill site.
- R-8 February 11, 2009 report from Faye Salisbury Corporate Officer regarding providing a grant to the First Nation's Raising Above Conference in Fort St. John on March 5 to 8, 2009.

2) Adoption of Agenda
(continued)

RD/09/02/01 (continued):

BY-LAWS:

B-1 Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1834, 2009 (Loewen)

- a) January 23, 2009 report from Tim Donegan, Land Use Planner; and
 - b) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No.1843, 2008";
- CONSIDERATION OF FIRST AND SECOND READINGS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

B-2 OCP and Zoning Amendment By-laws No. 1838 and 1839, 2008 (K4 Ventures Ltd.)

- a) January 29, 2009 report from Tim Donegan, Land Use Planner;
 - b) "North Peace Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1838, 2008"; and
 - c) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No.1839, 2008".
- CONSIDERATION OF THIRD READING AND ADOPTION

DIARY:

NEW BUSINESS:

NB-1 North Peace Airport Commission Area 'C' Appointment [Handout - letter from Director Hadland]

NB-2 Public Advisory Group

NB-3 Prince George Airport Runway Grand Opening

APPOINTMENTS:

CONSENT CALENDAR: (to be distributed at the meeting for information)

MA-1 North Peace Fringe Area OCP Public Information Meeting Minutes of January 26, 2009.

MA-2 Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2009

MA-3 Buick Creek Arena Meeting Notes of January 28, 2009

CA-1 January 26, 2009 thank you letter from The Honourable Blair Lekstrom, MLA, Peace River South.

NOTICE OF MOTION: (for the next meeting)

MEDIA QUESTIONS: (on agenda items and business discussed at the meeting)

ADJOURNMENT:

CARRIED.

DELEGATES:

3) D-1
Save Our Northern
Seniors (SONS)

Mrs. Margaret Little, Vice President, Mrs. Jean Leahy, Chair and Mr. Jim Little of Save Our Northern Seniors (SONS) attended the meeting to promote the brochure, *Your Community Health Guide* and to request funding assistance to publish the brochure. Copies of the brochure were distributed to the Directors, media and those in the gallery. The booklet contains pertinent information for seniors in the northeast including Fort Nelson, and contact numbers for several relevant agencies. It is a very informative brochure with information specifically geared toward the seniors and their care-givers residing in northeastern BC. It will be posted to community websites once completed.

RD/09/02/02

MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that the Save Our Northern Seniors' brochure *Your Community Health Guide* be received.
CARRIED.

RD/09/02/03

MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that staff report back to the Board regarding possibly providing financial support and assistance to Save Our Northern Seniors with the printing of the *Your Community Health Guide* brochure.
CARRIED.

MINUTES:

4) M-1
Regional Board
Meeting Minutes of
January 29, 2009

RD/09/02/04
MOVED by Director Clark, SECONDED by Director White,
that the Regional Board Meeting Minutes of January 29, 2009 be adopted with the
following change:
Page 11, Item 33), R-1 change the North East to (N.E.) to read "Pacific Northern
Gas (N.E.) Ltd."

CARRIED.

5) BA-1
re: Page 7, Item 16)
re: Inaugural Meeting
of Northern Rockies
Regional Municipality

RD/09/02/05
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that staff investigate what was accomplished in the forming of the Northern Rockies
Regional Municipality, what the implications are to provincial funding and how the
regional municipality will operate.

CARRIED.

6) BA-2
Page 14, Item 41, Re:
Zoning Amendment
By-law No.1832, 2008

RD/09/02/06
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that staff prepare an agenda and set a date for a Special Committee of the Whole
Meeting to discuss land use planning.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

7) C-1
PEP - Emergency
Management BC - 2009
Workshops for Elected
Officials.

RD/09/02/07
MOVED by Director Jarvis, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that any rural director wishing to attend the Provincial Emergency Program Emergency
Management BC Elected Officials Workshop scheduled for March 23, 2009 in Fort St.
John, BC, be authorized to do so.

CARRIED.

8) C-1 Page 22
UBCM - Regional District
CEO/CAO Forum

RD/09/02/08
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that the Chair and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to attend the Regional
District CEO/CAO Forum sponsored by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities on
March 25, 2009 in Victoria, BC.

CARRIED.

9) C-3
Prince George United
Way - name change to
the "United Way of
Northern British
Columbia"

RD/09/02/09
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that the Regional Board forward a letter of support for the work that the United Way of
Northern BC is doing in the region.

CARRIED.

REPORTS:

10) R-1

Jan 28/09 - Director
Hiebert, Chair AAC
re: recommendations
from the Jan 27/09
meeting

RD/09/02/10

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that the Regional Board re-focus its weed control efforts on agricultural lands that have
been overlooked in the last five years; i.e., tame Crown grazing, roadways, agricultural
lands.

re: Weed Control
Program

CARRIED.

re: Rural Roads (RTAC
Annual Report)

RD/09/02/11

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
a) that the Agricultural Advisory Committee recommend to the Regional Board that a
letter be forwarded to Mr. Vic Brandl, Chair Regional Transportation Advisory
Committee, expressing appreciation for their letter and report and suggest that
more emphasis be placed on a higher profile for agriculture in the region; and
b) that the Agricultural Advisory Committee be consulted regarding 2009 / 2010.

CARRIED.

re: Going Green
Recommendation

RD/09/02/12

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that staff be authorized to research the feasibility of utilizing ground-up glass products
for use in asphalt bases.

CARRIED.

re: Seed Containing
Weed Seeds

RD/09/02/13

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that Jill Copes be authorized to represent the Agricultural Advisory Committee on the
Northeast Invasive Plant Committee Sub-committee regarding seed containing weed
seeds.

CARRIED.

re: Road and 9-1-1
numbers

RD/09/02/14

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that rural road numbers and names be amalgamated in the 9-1-1 number / mapping
system to provide clarification to emergency services being dispatched in which rural
area the road is located.

CARRIED.

REPORTS (continued):

- 11) R-2
Jan 29/09 - Director Hiebert, Liaison re: a grant to the Northeast Oil & Gas Health Working Group
- RD/09/02/15
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Ackerman, that the Regional Board provide a grant to Northern Health in the amount of \$30,000 for management and coordination services of the NE Oil and Gas Health Working Group for the fiscal year April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 from the Legislative - Regional function.
- RD/09/02/16
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Hadland, that resolution RD/09/02/15 regarding providing a grant to the Northeast Oil and Gas Health Working Group be referred to a future meeting while staff obtain additional information regarding a budget and more details about the input from Northern Health.
CARRIED.
- 12) R-3
Jan 30/09 - Ron Storie, Manager of Community Services re: the Charlie Lake Volunteer Fire Department Parking Lot
- RD/09/02/17
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Ackerman, that the Regional Board authorize staff to apply to the British Columbia Building Corporation to amend the Charlie Lake Firehall lands to include additional property on the east side of the firehall for parking.
CARRIED.
- 13) R-4
Jan 30/09 - Ron Storie, Manager of Community Services re: the Buick Creek Arena Contract Award
- RD/09/02/18
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Ackerman, that the Regional Board award a contract for the construction of the Buick Creek arena to Venture Pacific for \$2,078,952.
CARRIED.
- 14) R-6
Feb 4/09 - Fred Banham, CAO re: the PRRD Strategic Plan
- RD/09/02/19
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Ackerman, that the Regional Board authorize the directors as well as alternate directors to attend the Peace River Regional District Board Strategic Planning Session to be held on Tuesday, February 24, 2009.
CARRIED.
- 15) Recess
The meeting recessed a 12 p.m. for lunch
- 16) Reconvene
The meeting reconvened at 1 p.m.

DELEGATIONS (continued):

- 17) D-2
Smart Growth BC Advisory Services re: South Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan
- Mr. Tom Lancaster, Consultant and Ms. Claire Williams, M.A. Planning of Smart Growth BC attended the meeting to explain to the Directors how they are assisting the Development Services staff with the preparation of the South Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan. A PowerPoint presentation was given that outlined the steps the plan process would go through and the draft guiding principles that are to be used to establish plan objectives and policies for land-use development in the area during the consultation and review process.

DELEGATIONS (continued):

17) D-2
(continued) A question and answer period ensued until 1:40 p.m. Chair Goodings thanked the Delegates for taking the time to explain their process to the Board.

REPORTS (continued):

18) R-7
Feb 10/09 -
Development Services
re: EAO Working Group
for a Proposed Heritage
Secure Landfill site.
RD/09/02/20
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that the Regional Board appoint Director Hiebert to participate in the Environmental
Assessment Office Working Group for the BC Environmental Assessment Review process
for the proposed Heritage Secure Landfill site.
CARRIED.

19) R-8
Feb11/09 - Faye
Salisbury, Corporate
Officer re: (First
Nations) Rising Above
Conference
RD/09/02/21
MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that the Regional Board provide a grant of \$1,000 to the March 5 to 8, 2009 Rising
Above Conference in Fort St. John, BC.
CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

20) B-1
Zoning Amendment By-
law No. 1834, 2009
(Loewen)
RD/09/02/22
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
a) that "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1834, 2009" 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*.
DEFEATED.

RD/09/02/23
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
a) that Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1834, 2009 be given first and second readings;
b) that authorization be given to schedule a public hearing on a date to be announced
at the Prespatou School;
c) that the holding of the public hearing be delegated to Director Goodings; and
d) that a notice be posted at the local Post Office.
CARRIED.

21) B-2
OCP and Zoning
Amendment By-law's
No. 1838 and 1839,
2008
(K4 Ventures Ltd.)
RD/09/02/24
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that "North Peace Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1838, 2008" and
"Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1839, 2008" be given third
readings.
CARRIED.

BY-LAWS(continued):

- 21) B-2
(continued) RD/09/02/25
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that "North Peace Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1838, 2008" be
adopted. CARRIED.
- RD/09/02/26
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1839, 2008" be
adopted. CARRIED.

DIARY

- 22) Regional Diary
re: Item 1 - Pipeline
Assessments Director Saugstad requested that staff investigate what the cost and process would be for
the Regional District to do a spot audit in a couple of areas to ensure BC Assessment has
captured all the pipelines for tax assessment purposes.
- 23) Regional Diary
re: Item 3 - Call for
NCMA nominations RD/09/02/27
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that Director White be nominated as Director-at-Large for the 2009 / 2010 term of the
North Central Municipal Association. CARRIED.
- 24) Consent Calendar RD/09/02/28
MOVED by Director White, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the February 12, 2009 Consent Calendar be received. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 25) NB-1
re: North Peace Airport
Commission Area 'C'
Appointment RD/09/02/29
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that Alternate Director Houley be removed from the North Peace Airport Commission and
Mr. Jim McKnight be appointed as the other member to the Commission for Area 'C'.
CARRIED.
- 26) NB-2
re: Public Advisory
Group RD/09/02/30
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that Director Goodings be appointed to the Public Advisory Group for the Fort St. John
Results Based Pilot Project. CARRIED.
- 27) NB-3
re: Prince George
Airport Runway Grand
Opening RD/09/02/31
MOVED by Director Clark, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that Director Lantz be authorized to represent the Regional District at the Prince George
Airport Authority's official runway grand opening at 10 a.m. on February 20, 2009.
CARRIED.

28) Permission for Closed Meeting RD/09/02/32
MOVED by Director Jarvis, SECONDED by Director Clark,
that, pursuant to Section 90.(1)(c) of the *Community Charter*; permission be granted to
resolve to a closed session for the Peace River Regional District.

CARRIED.

The meeting resolved to the closed session at 2:10 p.m. and members of the public left
the room.

29) Re-call to Order Following the closed meeting, the Regional Board meeting was recalled to order by the
Chair at 2:40 p.m.

30) Reports from Closed Meeting RD/09/02/33
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that the following report from the February 12, 2009 closed meeting of the Peace River
Regional District be received:

- that the salary for Mr. Fred Banham, CAO, be moved from Step 2 to Step 3 of the
2009 Exempt Staff salary grid was adopted.

CARRIED.

The Directors asked that the following items be placed on a future Regional Board
Meeting Agenda:

- a) to dissolve the Personnel Committee; and
- b) to consider wage freezes or wage increases.

31) Adjournment RD/09/02/34
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Barb Coburn, 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 February 12, 2009 in the Regional District Office Board Room, Dawson Creek, BC.

Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer