



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT Board Newsletter



Highlights from the Peace River Regional Hospital District Board and the Peace River Regional District Board Meetings, held April 14, 2011

Collective Agreement Ratified

Chair Goodings was pleased to report that the Board ratified a new three-year collective agreement with CUPE Local 2403. The agreement will see wages increase by 2% in 2011; 2.5% in 2012; and 3% in 2013. Additionally each of the twenty-one unionized employees will receive a \$250 one-time lump sum payment. The agreement also included some contract clarifications, wording and benefit changes, as well as some potential identified wage rate inequity adjustments in the final year.



The Passing of Peter Kut

Chair Goodings spoke of the well-attended celebration of life service which was held the previous evening, for the late Peter Kut, Councillor, Village of Pouce Coupe. Peter served faithfully as Director and also as Alternate Director on the Board of the Peace River Regional District for the past ten years. She expressed condolences to the family on behalf of the Board, stating he will be missed. As a tribute, the Board resolved to dedicate a page of the minutes to his memory.

Delegation Presentation

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, presented well prepared opposition arguments to substantiate their request that the Board refuse the ALR application for a Non-farm Use Permit for a 100-man camp on a Lahagarte Road property.



Other Highlights

- ★ The following Agricultural Land Reserve applications were refused to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission:
 - Subdivision 34/2011 (Froese); and
 - Non-farm Use 66/2011 (Lenz).
- ★ Development Variance Permit (DVP) Application No. 46/2011 (Harcourt) was refused.
- ★ Development Variance Permit (DVP) Application No. 21/2011 (Tracker Contracting Ltd.) was approved for issuance.

More Highlights

- ★ The following Agricultural Land Reserve applications were authorized to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission:
 - Non-farm Use 47/2011 (Ralph)
 - Exclusion 49/2011 (Rutherford);
 - Exclusion 51/2011 (Pollard);
 - Subdivision 55/2011 (Toner)
 - Subdivision 62/2011 (Walker); and
 - Non-farm Use 68/2011 (Westcoast/Spectra).
- ★ Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) Application No. 54/2011 for Laurie McDonald was approved to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission with a recommendation that the landowner's other properties are consolidated as an equal trade to obtain the proposed 10-acres subdivision.
- ★ Temporary Use Permit Application 51/2011 (Ralph) was referred to a future meeting pending discussions with the ALC regarding the associated Non-farm Use Application (47/2011).
- ★ A Director was authorized to attend the BC Rural Network's 2011 AGM and Workshop on May 23, to 25, 2011 in Williams Lake, BC.
- ★ The Electoral Area Directors were authorized to attend the Encana Municipal Outreach on May 17, 2011 in Dawson Creek, BC.
- ★ Directors were authorized to attend the Alaska Pipeline Project meeting on April 21, 2011 in Fort St. John, BC.
- ★ The Regional District will provide a grant to the "Spirit of the Peace" Powwow Society toward the 2011 Annual Traditional Powwow to be held on June 17 to 19, 2011.



Next Regional Board Meeting

10 a.m., Thursday, April 28, 2011 in the Boardroom, Peace River Regional District office
1981 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC



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