



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT Board Newsletter



Highlights from the Peace River Regional Hospital District Board and the Peace River Regional District Board Meetings, held July 8, 2010



As part of its community outreach program, the Regional Board held the meeting in the Tupper Community Hall.

TUPPER RESIDENTS' GROUP

Mrs. Colleen Borodula, Secretary, Tupper Residents' Negotiating Committee and Mr. Darryl Kroeker, Ducks Unlimited attended the Board meeting to express adamant opposition to the Secure Energy Services landfill that is proposed to be located within the Swan Lake watershed.

Mr. Kroeker distributed a map that indicated the waterways that flow downhill from the proposed site, through Ducks Unlimited property and into Swan Lake and expressed his concern that the site is a very high risk to the ground water sources. Mrs. Borodula stated that the group understood the need for a landfill but felt there are better locations that could be utilized further away from residents and essential water sources.



PEACE RIVER VALLEY AND SITE C

Mr. Nick Parsons attended the meeting to speak to the Board regarding his concerns over the proposed Site C dam and the flooding of the 'beautiful' Peace River Valley.

He further mentioned that rock valleys can be dammed successfully; but not sloughing hills like the river banks in this region. He also stated that transmission line losses increase with distance travelled; therefore, it would be more efficient to build a dam closer to where the energy is needed. Mr. Parsons invited everyone at the meeting to take part in the Paddle for the Peace weekend, which begins at 8:30 a.m. July 10, 2010 at Lynx Creek RV Park.

Other Highlights

- ★ The Board approved the award of a contract to upgrade the Regional District's computer network to Nortech Efficient Business Solutions.
- ★ The following Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) application was refused:
 - Subdivision 079/2007 (Peck) on the basis that it does not conform to the North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan (NPFA OCP) By-law No. 1870, 2009.
- ★ The following Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) applications were authorized to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC):
 - Non-farm Use 055/2010 (Tuttle)
 - Subdivision 080/2010 (Peterson); and
 - Subdivision 082/2010 (Haight/Birmingham).
- ★ Development Variance Permit No. 057/2010 (Urich) to increase the accessory building floor area in order to build an addition (abattoir) to the existing butcher shop was approved for issuance.
- ★ The Board approved the silver sponsorship to go toward the 2010 Northeast BC Energy Conference hosted by the City of Fort St. John on October 12 to 14, 2010.
- ★ The Harper Imperial Subdivision Sewer Servicing contract was awarded to Good Brothers Construction Ltd.
- ★ The Board will enter into a Licence Agreement with Wilder Creek Ranching Ltd., for a five-year term, for the use of a portion of the Charlie Lake Sewer Lagoon Property for agricultural purposes.



Next Regional Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Regional Board will be held **Thursday, July 22, 2010 at 9 a.m.** in the Boardroom of the Peace River Regional District office, at 1981 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC.



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