



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT Board Newsletter



Highlights from the Peace River Regional Hospital District Board and the Peace River Regional District Board Meetings, held August 12, 2010



STARS Air Ambulance set down in the empty lot next to the Peace River Regional District office in Dawson Creek.

SHOCK TRAUMA AIR RESCUE SOCIETY (STARS)

Dr. Gregory Powell, President and CEO, Mrs. Linda Powell, VP, Mrs. Glenda Farnden, Major Gifts Manager, and Mr. Andy Stewart, General Manager and Pilot for STARS were in attendance to give an update and to unveil the new PRRD logo on the door of the helicopter. Chair Goodings presented the STARS representatives with the first instalment of the Regional District's three-year commitment. Dr. Powell thanked the Board for the historic donation.

There were thirteen missions flown in BC over the past year and four inter-provincial facility transfers in the last month. Travel into the rural areas remains a challenge; but a new helicopter is expected to be put into service at the end of this year to fly out of Edmonton. Mr. Stewart advised that the new hospital to be built in Grande Prairie will have either a ground or roof-top heli-pad.

It is hoped that the red ring fundraiser, a \$5-per-month commitment to STARS, will be available soon. More information is available on-line at www.redringforlife.ca.

The two pilots and two attendants, who arrived in the helicopter that landed in the field next to the Regional District office, joined the members for discussions over lunch. Chair Goodings thanked the representatives for the update on behalf of the Board and looks forward to the next visit from STARS representatives.



Other Highlights

- ★ The Board will write a letter to the Minister of Agriculture and Lands outlining the severity of this year's drought and the cumulative effect of the past four to five years of drought conditions and to request that an emergency fund be established.
- ★ The following Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) applications were authorized to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC):
 - Subdivision 090/2010 (Nicholson);
 - Subdivision 100/2010 (Masse);
 - Subdivision 101/2010 (Youb); and
 - Exclusion 102/2010 (Everett).
- ★ The following Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) application was postponed to a later date to allow for the application to be changed to an ALR Exclusion Application:
 - Subdivision 96/2010 (Gladysz).
- ★ Director Hadland is to attend the official signing ceremony of the memorandum of understanding between the City of Fort St. John and the Doig River First Nations at 3:30 p.m., Friday, August 13, 2010.
- ★ The 2010 Board meeting schedule was revised to reflect that the September 23 meeting will be held in Dawson Creek and the October 28 meeting will be held in Buick.
- ★ The Independent Land Information and Advocacy Office contract was awarded to New Harvest Media Inc. / Aspen Grove Property Services for an eighteen-month term.
- ★ A grant was provided to the Writing on the Ridge Society toward the Sweetwater905 Festival of music and arts to be held in Rolla on September 3 to 5, 2010.

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## Next Regional Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Regional Board will be held **Thursday, August 26, 2010 at 9 a.m.** in the Carpet Room of the North Peace Cultural Centre, located at 10015 100 Avenue, Fort St. John, BC.



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