



**PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting**

A G E N D A

Thursday, November 27, 2014
(following the EADC Meeting)

at the Regional District Office, 1981 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** *Director Goodings to Chair Meeting*

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

3. **REPORTS:**

R-1 November 24, 2014 report from Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer regarding Domestic Sewage & Septage Receiving Facility Funding.

4. **ADJOURNMENT:**



Peace River Regional District REPORT

To: Rural Budgets Administration Committee

From: Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer

Date: 24 November 2014

Subject: Domestic Sewage & Septage Receiving Facility Funding

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the Rural Budgets Administration Committee commits \$3.5 million from Gas Tax funds to Domestic Sewage & Septage Receiving Facility Funding to be constructed at the Charlie Lake lagoon site.
2. THAT the operation costs exceeding the user fees collected be paid for from Fair Share Electoral Area C (75%) and Fair Share Electoral Area B (25%).

BACKGROUND:

At the RBAC meeting held on November 20th, 2014 there was a lot of discussion regarding the provision of a Domestic Sewage & Septage Receiving Facility to replace the current access to the Fort St. John facility.

During the discussion it was stated that there would be no borrowing for this and only operation costs would be brought forward as a referendum question.

When looking at the various funding possibilities, it was noted and agreed that the funding source is the Gas Tax fund. But, unfortunately no motion was made at the time and to proceed there needs to be commitment of the funding.

At the present time there is approximately \$2.2M uncommitted Gas Tax funds on hand, less the \$350K commitment made at the meeting, leaving approx. \$1.85M. There will be another payment received before year end for approx. \$450K leaving a yearend balance of approx. \$2.3M. The next 2 years funds to be received are approx. \$900K per year. By committing the \$3.5 it will leave approximately \$500K to \$600K for other projects over the next 2 years (these have been mostly for upgrades to community hall heating and other efficiency projects.

Note that with regard to Recommendation #2 this is expected to be a short-term remedy until such time as a proper function/service area is established that would pay for all of the operating costs and collect revenue accordingly. This would be the referendum question.

Staff Initials:

Dept. Head:

Kim Frech

CAO:

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