



Performing Arts BC 2016 Provincial Festival

The Regional Board will provide the Peace River North Festival Association with a special event grant of \$5,000 to assist with the cost of providing the Performing Arts BC 2016 Provincial Festival from May 31 to June 4, 2016.

Solid Waste Coupons 2016 process

A Solid Waste Information Brochure will be mailed out to Class 1 Property owners (Residential with Improvements). The brochure will include the access code to the eligible 4 coupons for free access to a landfill in the Regional District. Starting in 2017, and each year thereafter, the coupons will be mailed out only to those that used the 2016 coupons, and to any eligible property owner that did not use or receive coupons in 2016.

Fort St. John to provide fire protection services

The Board granted consent to the City of Fort St. John to provide fire protection service to the ATCO Two Rivers site (BC Hydro – Site C). The site is located outside of the municipal boundary in Electoral Area C. The site is currently located outside of the fire protection service area in the Fort St. John Rural Fire Protection Agreement with the City and Regional District. The request was made in accordance with Section 13(1) (b) of the Community Charter.

Resolutions for 2016 North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) Convention

The Board has directed that two resolutions be drafted for forwarding to the NCLGA 2016 Convention. The first resolution will request a re-evaluation of the funding formula used by the Province of BC for school bus transportation funding; and the second relates to the need for water and sewer functions in rural areas. Both draft resolutions will be considered by the Board in February before the March 4th NCLGA resolution deadline.

STARS funding expanded one year

The Board approved funding of \$170,000 to STARS for 2016. From 2010 to 2015 STARS responded to an average of 19 calls for service in the PRRD, of which on average 10% are industrial responses paid for directly by the company requesting the service. According to STARS, their average cost per flight is \$5,400, while the average cost per call within the PRRD was \$46,000 since 2010.

District of Chetwynd Sewage Treatment Plant

The Board authorized entering into the Chetwynd Sewage Treatment Plant Funding Agreement. The agreement provides long term access to a sewage receiving facility for Area E residents in exchange for a \$500,000 lump sum payment to the District of Chetwynd, from the Fair Share Rural Fringe Allocation Fund, for project capital funding.

Peace Liard Regional Arts Council Annual Grant

The Regional Board approved a grant in the amount of \$15,000 for the Peace Liard Regional Arts Council for 2016 from the Regional Recreation Function to provide support of their ongoing regional operations and projects associated with the 75th Anniversary of the Alaska Highway.

Dawson Creek to receive a new Water Tender (Truck)

The Board authorized the capital purchase of a new water tender up to \$450,000 from reserves, to be used by the City of Dawson Creek Fire Department in its delivery of Fire Protection to the PRRD and the City of Dawson Creek. The current tender at Dawson Creek Fire Hall will be transferred to Charlie Lake Fire Department.

PRRD DRAFT Campground Bylaw

The Regional District is inviting the community to view and discuss the DRAFT Campground Bylaw.

The DRAFT Campground Bylaw would be an instrument to manage private campgrounds in the region. Once adopted, this Bylaw will establish prohibitions and regulations around solid waste, roads, campsites, and fire protection compliance in regards to health and safety issues.

Three meetings are being held in the region:

Community	Date	Time	Location
Chetwynd	March 1, 2016	7pm	Chetwynd Recreation Center in the Aspen Room
Fort St. John	March 2, 2016	7pm	North Peace Leisure Pool meeting room in Fort St John
Dawson Creek	March 3, 2016	7pm	PRRD Office in Dawson Creek

View the DRAFT Campground Bylaw at www.prrd.bc.ca or for more information contact the PRRD at 250-784-3200.

Zoning Amendment

The G-T-X Cavating zoning bylaw amendment to allow for the operation of an excavating company and the subsequent construction of a 4,000 ft² shop and a 1,500 ft² was adopted

Budget Open House Meetings

Drop by one of the open house meetings to discuss the 2016 Draft Peace River Regional District Financial plan with the Chief Financial Officer.

March 14th Fort St John 1pm @ PRRD office

March 15th Chetwynd 1 pm Pine Room @ Chetwynd Recreation Centre

March 16th Dawson Creek 1 pm @ PRRD Office

North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan

Get involved, Have your say, Make a Difference

The Peace River Regional District is updating the North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan (OCP), which will guide decisions about how the Region will evolve over time.

The OCP will set out a vision for the future that considers objectives and policies relating to topics including: residential, commercial, and industrial land uses; agricultural lands; the natural environment; infrastructure; and community well-being.

The Regional District staff and consultants talked to the community at three open houses in February about the potential options and implications of accommodating growth, and establishing a vision and supporting policies to guide growth and change in the future.

The Regional District is encouraging landowners, residents, businesses, and others with an interest in the future of the North Peace Fringe Area to continue to be involved in the process by:

Checking the PRRD website <http://prrd.bc.ca> for updates and announcement's

Engaging on social media: twitter @NorthPeaceOCP or PRRD Facebook page

Contacting the Regional District: Claire Negrin, Assistant Manager of Development Services claire.negrin@prrd.bc.ca Phone: 250-784-3231

Completing the online survey between February 15th and 29th by visiting the PRRD Engage Page <http://prrd.bc.ca/engage/>

Next PRRD
Board
Meetings:

Edition II

March 10, 2016
10:00am | Dawson Creek

March 24, 2016
10:00am | Dawson Creek

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