



# PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

## OCTOBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 22, 2009

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: North Peace Cultural Centre Carpet Room, Fort St. John, BC

PRESENT: Directors  
Director Goodings, Chair  
Director Hadland  
Director Lantz  
Director Hiebert  
Director Saugstad  
Director Clark  
Director White  
Director Caton  
Director Anderson  
Director Jarvis 10:15 a.m.

Alternate Directors  
Alternate Director Powell  
Alternate Director Bolin

Absent  
Director Bernier  
Director Ackerman

### Staff

Shannon Anderson, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer  
Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer  
Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer  
Debbie Kunz, Assistant Manager of Development Services  
Trish Morgan, Community Services Coordinator  
Timothy Donegan, North Peace Land Use Planner  
Sheila DeCosta, Secretary – Legislative Services, Recorder

### Others

Christine Rumleskie, Moose FM  
Hiedi Irvine, Alaska Highway News  
John Locher, ETHIX Consulting  
Ty Coates  
Bob Fedderly

### D-1 National Energy Board

Bob Mahnic - Socio Economic Specialist (Calgary)  
Kent Lien - Technical Specialist, Environment (Calgary)  
Brenda Price - Socio Economic Specialist (Calgary)

### D-2 Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Renée Mouteney, MBA, District Manager Transportation  
Derek Drummond, North Peace Operations Manager  
Ken Nash, Area Manager, Roads  
Erik Lachmuth, Area Manager, Roads

1) Call to Order                    The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

2) Vary Agenda                    RD/09/10/01 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the agenda be varied in order to deal with items D-1 and D-2 at this time.

CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS:

3) D-1                                National Energy Board representatives: Bob Mahnic, Socio Economic Specialist; Kent  
National Energy Board        Lien, Technical Specialist, Environment; and Brenda Price, Socio Economic Specialist,  
re: Joint Review Panel        from Calgary, Alberta provided an overview of the National Energy Board (NEB) and its  
Process for the                    relationship with the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA). The  
Northern Gateway                Board's corporate purpose is to promote safety and security, environmental protection  
Project                                and efficient energy infrastructure and markets in the Canadian public interest.

Power Point  
Presentation

The delegation travelled to the meeting to specifically discuss the NEB/CEAA Joint Review Panel process which is being organized in preparation for receipt of the application from the Northern Gateway Pipelines Limited Partnership's proposal to construct and operate two parallel pipelines, each 1170 km in length, between an inland terminal near Bruderheim, Ab. and a marine terminal near Kitimat, BC. The Minister of Environment has determined that the joint review panel (JRP) should be established to undertake a review of all aspects of the project. The JRP agreement is currently being finalized and is based on the comments received from the public and Aboriginal groups.

Meetings with Local Government officials are currently underway to explain how they can participate in the review process by filing a letter of comment, or applying to make an oral statement at local area hearings. Filing an application for intervenor status is open to any member of the public, but requires a commitment of time. The NEB is making every effort to hold public hearings near the communities involved in order to minimize costs. There will be a participant funding program offered to individuals and groups by the CEAA for participation in the Environmental Assessment process. Governments are not eligible. Enbridge Northern Gateway has agreed not to file their application until after the Joint Review Panel Agreement has been finalized. Current work and next steps were outlined and contact names were given.

A question and answer period ensued with the following points discussed:

- availability of \$600,000.00 participant funding program, origin of the funds;
- perpetual company responsibility for pipeline abandonment;
- depth of cover, especially in relation to heavier farm equipment;
- availability of the dispute resolution team;
- locations for the public hearings chosen in relation to feedback received and interest shown;
- considerations of future road crossings and other pipeline intersections;

RD/09/10/02 (22)

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the October 22, 2009 power point presentation regarding the National Energy Board's Joint Review Panel Process for the Northern Gateway Project be received.

CARRIED.

- 4) Recess                                    The meeting recessed for coffee at 11 a.m.
- 5) Reconvene                                The meeting reconvened at 11:07 a.m.
- 6) D-2  
Ministry of  
Transportation and  
Infrastructure  
re: Alaska Highway  
Corridor Study
- Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure representatives: Renée Mounteney, MBA, District Manager Transportation; Derek Drummond, North Peace Operations Manager; Ken Nash, Area Manager, Roads; and Erik Lachmuth, Area Manager, Roads presented an overview of the recently completed Alaska Highway Corridor Study. The complete study will be posted to the Ministry's website following today's meeting:  
[http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/publications/reports\\_and\\_studies/index.htm](http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/publications/reports_and_studies/index.htm)
- Power Point  
Presentation
- The study corridor is defined as the section of Highway 97 between the Dangerous Goods Route intersection near Dawson Creek and the Swanson Lumber Road intersection near Fort St. John, not including the Taylor Hill as it is considered as a separate entity.
- The goal of the study was to provide an analysis of operations at both corridor intersections and midblock section. Traffic volume data; crash data; type of traffic; as-built drawings; various background reports; and comments from stakeholder consultations were all taken into consideration. The study includes long (15 year) and short (5 year) term horizon recommendations. Growth estimates were set at four percent in conjunction with municipal population projections. These volumes were used for an intersection capacity analysis.
- The following are general and midblock recommended improvements:
- routine alcohol and speed enforcement;
  - shoulder and median rumble strip installation, when possible during repaving;
  - improved signage on cross streets;
  - wildlife countermeasures; and
  - further passing and turning lanes.
- A question and answer period ensued with the following points discussed:
- four lanes not deemed necessary, however further passing and turning lanes are recommended;
  - commercial intersections and difficulty in enforcing clean up of clay being dragged on to the highway;
  - Braden Road issues;
  - need for gentler incline of ditches;
  - appreciation of mowing done in ditches this past year;
  - planned wildlife mitigation measures e.g. more specific signage at migration routes;
  - responsibility of clearing of snow for recreation / snowmobile parking because of safety concerns;
  - forethought into building passing lanes so they can be incorporated into future doubling of lanes;
  - "agricultural traffic" signage required.

- 7) Vary Agenda RD/09/10/03 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the agenda be varied in order to deal with item NB -1 at this time.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 8) NB-1 Discussion took place with the delegation from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding the planned rehabilitation / upgrade of the Taylor Bridge which is scheduled to take place in 2010.  
Invitation to Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Re: Taylor Bridge 2010 Deck Rehabilitation Project

A question and answer period ensued with the following points discussed:

- plans for keeping the traffic flowing e.g. may require a width restriction, consultation will take place in advance;
- discussions with the District of Taylor regarding walking lane approaches to the bridge;
- concern about the Regional Transportation Advisory Committees coming to a grinding halt.

As the delegation attended the meeting today, it was no longer necessary to forward them an invitation to a future meeting.

- 9) Recess The meeting recessed for luncheon at 12:04 p.m.  
10) Reconvene The meeting reconvened at 1 p.m.

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- 11) Adoption of Agenda RD/09/10/ 04 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Anderson,  
that the Peace River Regional District agenda for the October 22, 2009 meeting, including handout items for the agenda, be adopted as amended:
1. Call to Order
  2. Directors' Notice of New Business
  3. Adoption of Agenda
  4. Minutes  
M -1 Regional District Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2009.
  5. Business Arising from the Minutes
  6. Delegations
- 10 am D-1 National Energy Board / Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency regarding the Enbridge Northern Gateway Project.  
Handout: - Power Point Presentation
- 11 am D-2 Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding the Alaska Highway Corridor Study  
- Power Point Presentation
7. Petitions
  8. Correspondence  
C-1 October 8, 2009 UBCM Member Release regarding 2009 Resolutions and Policy Disposition.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA (continued):

Adoption of Agenda -  
continued

RD/09/10/ 04 (22) continued

- C-2 October 8, 2009 Ducks Unlimited Canada, Jeff Nelson, CEO regarding the Wetlands for Tomorrow campaign.
- C-3 October 14, 2009 City of Dawson Creek, Brenda Ginter, Director of Corporate Administration regarding the Peace Basin Trust Initiative.
- 9. Reports
  - R-1 October 5, 2009 - Trish Morgan, Community Services Coordinator regarding CNR Crossings & Train Whistles.
  - R-2 September 22, 2009 - Chair Goodings, Electoral Area Directors' Committee regarding September 17th meeting recommendations.
  - R-3 September 21, 2009 - Owen Bloor, regarding By-law Enforcement Report 32/2009 - King. Handouts:
    - October 1, 2009 letter fro Owen Bloor, Land Use Planner to Darryle King.
    - October 13, 2009 letter from Steve Schembri, Field Superintendent, Beaver Drilling Ltd. to Owen Bloor; and
    - May 25, 2009 letter from Steve Schembri, Field Superintendent, Beaver Drilling Ltd. to Jodi MacLean.
  - R-4 October 14, 2009 - Trish Morgan, regarding Charlie Lake Cave Heritage Recognition.
  - R-5 October 15, 2009 - Ron Storie, regarding Peace River Lookout - Feasibility Recommendation.
- 10. By-laws
  - B-1 OCP and Zoning Amendment By-laws No. 1849 and 1850, 2009 (Hawryluk)
    - a) October 13, 2009 report from Owen Bloor, Land Use Planner;
    - b) "Dawson Creek Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1849, 2009"; and
    - c) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1850, 2009".CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION
  - B-2 Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1862, 2009 (Jadowski, Clark & Allen)
    - a) October 14, 2009 report from Timothy Donegan, Land Use Planner; and
    - b) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1862, 2009".CONSIDERATION OF THIRD READING
  - B-3 OCP and Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1864 and 1865, 2009 (Schaefer)
    - a) October 14, 2009 report from Timothy Donegan, Land Use Planner; and
    - b) "Charlie Lake Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1864, 2009"; and
    - c) "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1865, 2009".CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION
- 11. Diary
  - a) Regional Diary
  - b) Agenda Preparations Schedule
  - c) Schedule of Events
- 12. New Business
  - NB-1 October 13, 2009 - Director Goodings regarding Invitation to Ministry of Highways.
- 13. Appointments
- 14. Consent Calendar
  - MA-1 Special Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting Minutes of September 24, 2009.
  - MA-2 Electoral Area Directors' Committee Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2009.
  - MA-3 Tomslake Transfer Station Relocation Public Meeting Notes of October 1, 2009.
  - CA-1 Municipal Finance Authority of BC Chair's Remarks at the September 29<sup>th</sup> meeting.
  - RA-1 Monthly Building Permit Report for September 2009.
- 15. Notice of Motion (for the next meeting):
- 16. Media Questions (on agenda items and business discussed at the meeting)
- 17. Adjournment

CARRIED.

MINUTES:

12) M-1  
Regional Board  
Meeting Minutes of  
October 8, 2009

RD/09/10/05 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the Regional Board Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2009 be adopted with the  
following amendment on page 3, item 8) Resolution RD/09/10/05 - correct the spelling  
of the word "Lamoray" to "Lemoray".

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

13) C-3  
City of Dawson Creek  
re: Peace Basin Trust  
Initiative

RD/09/10/06 (22)  
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Alternate Director Bolin,  
that the Regional Board refer the October 14, 2009 letter from Brenda Ginter, Director  
of Corporate Administration, City of Dawson Creek, as well as other forthcoming letters,  
regarding support for the Peace River Basin Trust Initiative, to staff for a report.

CARRIED.

REPORTS:

14) R-2  
Sept 22/09 Chair  
Goodings, EADC re:  
Sept 17 meeting  
recommendations

RD/09/10/07 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,  
that staff be requested to investigate the feasibility and options available for  
establishing water functions by Electoral Area.

CARRIED.

re: Rural Water Supply

re: ATV Problems and  
Landowner Rights

RD/09/10/08 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Alternate Director Bolin,  
that a letter be forwarded to Mr. Bill Bouffieux, President, BC Bison Association advising  
him that the Regional District has been working on the issue of landowner rights in  
conjunction with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities; and that the District will  
keep him updated if changes are made to the legislation.

CARRIED.

re: TransCanada  
Pipelines Limited in  
Groundbirch

RD/09/10/09 (22)  
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Alternate Director Bolin,  
that a letter be forwarded to TransCanada Pipelines and Pacific Northern Gas (NE) Ltd.  
requesting that the companies look at adding two or more sales taps on the pipeline  
that is going to be built from Groundbirch to Gordondale.

CARRIED.

REPORTS (continued):

- 15) R-3  
September 21, 2009 -  
Owen Bloor, re: By-law  
Enforcement Report  
32/2009 - King  
  
Handout letters
- RD/09/10/10 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Alternate Director Bolin,  
a) that Peace River Regional District Board declare that the oil and gas industry materials, equipment and vehicles being stored on legal description of Part Northwest 1/4 Section 12, Township 26, PRD, is in contravention of the A-2 zone of Peace River Regional District Zoning By-law No. 1343, 2001;  
b) that the Regional Board grants the landowner 30 days to bring the use of Part Northwest ¼ Section 12, Township 26, PRD into compliance with Peace River Regional District Zoning By-law No. 1343, 2001;  
c) that the Regional Board, upon expiry of the 30 day time limit for compliance, instructs its solicitors to commence proceedings in British Columbia Supreme Court to seek the enforcement of Peace River Regional District Zoning By-law No. 1343, 2001, related to Part Northwest ¼ Section 12, Township 26, PRD, if the subject property is still in contravention of the zoning regulations;  
d) that the costs of this action at Part Northwest Section 12, Township 26, PRD be levied to the registered property owner and should these costs not be paid, they be applied to the property taxes accordingly; and  
e) that the Board also advise the Agricultural Land Commission and request that enforcement action be taken on this property, requesting compliance with the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*.

CARRIED.

- RD/09/10/11 (22)  
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert;  
that staff be requested to forward a letter to the appropriate industries, as listed with Energy Services BC, to inform them of the requirements pertaining to the temporary storage or stockpiling of oil and gas equipment on Agricultural Land Reserve lands.

CARRIED.

- 16) R-4  
October 14, 2009 -  
Trish Morgan re:  
Charlie Lake Cave  
Heritage Recognition
- RD/09/10/12 (22)  
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hadland,  
that the topic of "Charlie Lake Cave - Heritage Recognition" be placed on the Regional Diary.

CARRIED.

- 17) R-5  
October 15, 2009  
Ron Storie  
re: Peace River  
Lookout
- RD/09/10/13 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that the Peace River Regional District Board authorize feasibility funding for up to \$20,000 to complete a Peace River Lookout conceptual design, development plan, cost estimate and time frame.

CARRIED.

- RD/09/10/14 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that the Peace River Regional District Board award the feasibility study to Focus Corporation for the conceptual design of the Peace River Lookout at the price of sixteen thousand three hundred and fifty-five dollars (\$16,355.<sup>00</sup>).

CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

- 18) B-1  
OCP and Zoning  
Amendment By-law's  
No. 1849 and 1850,  
2009  
(Hawryluk)
- RD/09/10/15 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Clark,  
that "Dawson Creek Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1849, 2009" be  
adopted. CARRIED.
- RD/09/10/16 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Clark,  
that "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1850, 2009" be  
adopted. CARRIED.
- 19) B-2  
Zoning Amendment  
By-law No. 1862, 2009  
(Jadowski, Clark &  
Allen)
- RD/09/10/17 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Saugstad,  
that the Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2009 at the Chetwynd & District  
Recreation Centre, Chetwynd, BC be amended, on page 2, item 8, by striking out the  
sentence "He said First Choice is already very busy", as requested by Bob Fedderly.  
CARRIED.
- RD/09/10/18 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Clark,  
that the Regional Board defeat "Peace River Regional District Zoning  
Amendment By-law No. 1862, 2009" and; consider a new Amendment By-  
law where the "Automotive Towing and Storage" use be permitted only on  
the subject property and not within the entire I-1 zone.  
NAYS 11 (YAYS 1 - Director Hadland) DEFEATED.
- RD/09/10/19 (22)  
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,  
that consideration of third reading of "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment  
By-law No. 1862, 2009" be postponed to a future meeting pending a review of permitted  
uses in commercial and industrial use zones in "Peace River Regional District Zoning  
By-law No. 1343, 2001". CARRIED.
- 20) B-3  
OCP and Zoning  
Amendment By-law's  
No. 1864 and 1865,  
2009  
(Schaefer)
- RD/09/10/20 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that "Charlie Lake Official Community Plan Amendment By-law No. 1864, 2009" be  
adopted. CARRIED.
- RD/09/10/21 (22)  
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,  
that "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1865, 2009" be  
adopted. CARRIED.



