



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: December 11, 2009
TIME: 3 p.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 Jarvis
Director White
Director Caton
Director Anderson
Director Ackerman
Director Clark
Director Bernier

Staff

Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer
Shannon Anderson, General Manager of Environmental Services
Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer
Bruce Simard, General Manager of Development Services
Sheila DeCosta, Secretary – Legislative Services, Recorder

Others

Christine Rumleskie, Moose FM
Matthew Bains, Northeast News
Andrew Hopkins, Astral Media
David Bell, Alaska Highway News
Darlene Hiebert

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Cariad Garratt, Project Coordinator, Stantec Consulting Ltd.

- 1) Call to Order The Chief Administrative Officer called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.
- 2) Election of Chair The Chief Administrative Officer called for nominations for the office of Chair for 2010.

RD/09/12/01

MOVED by Director Bernier, SECONDED by Director Saugstad,
that Director Hiebert be nominated for the office of Chair for 2010.

Director Hiebert accepted the nomination.

CARRIED.

Election of Chair
- continued

The Chief Administrative Officer called a second time for nominations for the office of Chair for 2010.

RD/09/12/02

MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Clark,
that Director Goodings be nominated for the office of Chair for 2010.

CARRIED.

Director Goodings accepted the nomination.

The Chief Administrative Officer called a third time for nominations for the office of Chair for 2010.

Hearing no further nominations, nominations closed.

Director Goodings and Director Hiebert presented their two minute addresses to the Board.

Ballots were handed out and votes were counted by Shannon Anderson, General Manager of Environmental Services and Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer.

Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer declared Director Goodings elected as the Chair of the Peace River Regional District for 2010.

3) Election of Vice Chair

The Chief Administrative Officer called for nominations for the office of Vice Chair for 2010.

RD/09/12/03

MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that Director Caton be nominated for the office of Vice Chair for 2010.

CARRIED.

Director Caton declined the nomination and added that serving as Vice Chair for the past eight years has been a great privilege.

The Chief Administrative Officer called a second time for nominations for the office of Vice Chair for 2010.

RD/09/12/04

MOVED by Director Bernier, SECONDED by Director Saugstad,
that Director White be nominated for the office of Vice Chair for 2010.

CARRIED.

Director White accepted the nomination.

- Election of Vice Chair
- continued
- RD/09/12/05
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Anderson,
that Director Hiebert be nominated for the office of Vice Chair for 2010. CARRIED.
- Director Hiebert accepted the nomination.
Director White withdrew his previous acceptance of the nomination.
- The Chief Administrative Officer called a third time for nominations for the office of Vice Chair for 2010.
- Hearing no further nominations, nominations closed.
- Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer declared that by acclamation, Director Hiebert is the new Vice Chair of the Peace River Regional District for 2010.
- RD/09/12/06
MOVED by Director Jarvis, SECONDED by Director Clark,
that the ballot papers be destroyed. CARRIED.
- 4) Adjourn to the Call of
the Chair
- RD/09/12/07
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Clark,
that the meeting adjourn to the Call of the Chair in order to go into the Regional Hospital District meeting. CARRIED.
- The meeting adjourned to the Call of the Chair at 3:19 p.m.
- 5) Recall to order
- The Chair recalled the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m. Chair Goodings congratulated Vice Chair Hiebert and thanked Director Caton for his many years of service as Vice Chair of the Peace River Regional District. She stated she was humbled by the Directors' support and was looking forward to serving as Chair for another term.

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- 6) Adoption of Agenda
- RD/09/12/08
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the Peace River Regional District agenda for the December 11, 2009 meeting, be received:
1. Call to Order by Administrative Officer
Election of Chair and Vice Chair
 2. Directors' Notice of New Business
 3. Adoption of Agenda
 4. Minutes
M -1 Regional District Meeting Minutes of November 26, 2009.

Adoption of Agenda -
continued

RD/09/12/08 continued:

5. Business Arising from the Minutes
6. Delegations

3:15 p.m. D-1 Stantec Consulting Ltd.

Cariad Garratt, Project Coordinator
Re: PRRD Corporate Energy Plan

7. Petitions

8. Correspondence

C-1 November 13, 2009 - Sander Rose Trobak regarding terms of engagement for annual audit.

C-2 November 20, 2009 - Sander Rose Trobak regarding responsibility roles and procedures of annual audit.

C-3 November 17, 2009 - Opposition Critic for Transportation and Infrastructure request for submission of concerns.

C-4 November 20, 2009 - President Nyce - Gas Tax / Public Transit Management Services regarding fund payment.

C-5 a) November 26, 2009 - Alex Ferguson, Commissioner and CEO, BC Oil & Gas Commission letter.

b) 2008 / 2009 Oil and Gas Commission Field Inspection Annual Report.

C-6 Pitch in BC request for 2010 membership renewal.

C-7 November 20, 2009 - Mining Association of BC, NDIT, AMEBC regarding the value of the mining industry to the province.

C-8 December 1, 2009 UBCM regarding New Relationship Agreements between the province and aboriginal groups.

C-9 November 23, 2009 - City of Burnaby regarding proposed costs of the Police Records Information Management Environment.

- 9 Reports

R-1 November 16, 2009 - Ron Storie, Manager of Community Services regarding Blackfoot Playground Equipment.

R-2 November 25, 2009 - Karen Goodings, Chair EADC regarding November 19, 2009 meeting.

R-3 December 1, 2009 - Karen Goodings, Chair and Fred Banham, CAO regarding Independent Land Information & Advocate Office.

R-4 ALR Subdivision Application 176/2009 - Dyck.

R-5 ALR Non-farm Use Application 176/2009 (PRRD).

R-6 December 4, 2009 - Kim Frech, CFO regarding Banking Services.

10. By-laws

11. Diary

a) Regional Diary

b) Agenda Preparations Schedule

c) Schedule of Events

12. New Business

13. Appointments

14. Consent Calendar

MA-1 Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2009.

MA-2 Electoral Area Directors' Committee Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2009.

CA-1 BC Activity Coordinator's Association letter of appreciation.

CA-2 November 19, 2009 - Mayor Saugstad, District of Chetwynd regarding accessing Private Lands through Moberly Lake Provincial Park.

CA-3 November 26, 2009 - Minister of Health Services regarding discussion meeting during UBCM convention.

CA-4 November 27, 2009 - Agricultural Environment Initiatives regarding Wildlife Mitigation Workshop.

15. Notice of Motion (for the next meeting):

16. Media Questions (on agenda items and business discussed at the meeting)

17. Adjournment

CARRIED.

MINUTES:

7) M-1
Regional Board
Meeting Minutes of
November 26, 2009

RD/09/12/09
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that the Regional Board Meeting Minutes of November 26, 2009 be adopted as
presented.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING:

8) BA-1
page 4 re: Oil and Gas
Activities Act

Directors suggested that further information regarding the specifics of the proposed
stand alone set back regulations, be requested when the Board meets again with Mr.
Lambert, Executive Director, Oil and Gas Division, Ministry of Energy and Mines.

9) BA-2
page 6 re: Provincial
Review of the
Agricultural Land
Commission Act

RD/09/12/10
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that the following resolution from the November 26, 2009 meeting also be referred to
the Agricultural Advisory Committee for information:

RD/09/11/10 (26)
MOVED by Director Bernier, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
WHEREAS,
There are growing concerns in our area over the objectives and processes of
the Agricultural Land Reserve and the Administrative body, the Agricultural
Land Commission;
AND WHEREAS,
Public confidence in the proper balancing of interests in land use is crucial for
well managed growth and development;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that,
The Peace River Regional District call on the Provincial Government to
undertake a rigorous review of both BC's agricultural reserve lands, and the
Agricultural Land Commission Act and report their findings to the public;
AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that,
This resolution be forwarded to the North Central Local Government
Association for consideration.

CARRIED.

10) BA-3
Errors and Omissions
page 5 and 6 - Items
R-3 and R-4
Resolutions

Discussion ensued regarding the omission of nay votes on resolutions pertaining to
items R-3 and R-4 of the November 26, 2009 meeting minutes. Fred Banham
explained that according to Section 8, item 59 of Peace River Regional District
Procedural By-law No. 1633, 2006, nay votes are only recorded if specifically
requested by the Director voting on the motion.

Chair Goodings ruled that as the minutes had already been adopted, they would stand
as recorded.

DELEGATIONS:

11) D-1
Stantec Consulting Ltd.
Cariad Garrett re:
PRRD Corporate
Energy Plan

At 3:43 p.m. the Chair invited Cariad Garratt, Project Director for Stantec Consulting Ltd to present her overview of phase one of the Peace River Regional District Corporate Energy Plan.

Power Point
Presentation

The Peace River Regional District, in collaboration with the municipalities of Chetwynd, Pouce Coupe, Taylor and Tumbler Ridge retained the Sheltair Group (now Stantec) to develop both corporate and community energy plans for each community and rural area. The plan will enable the local governments to meet their voluntary commitments under the Climate Action Charter and their regulatory commitments under the "Green Communities" amendment to the Local Government Act (Bill 27, 2007).

Ms. Garratt provided a summary of the Peace River Regional District's corporate energy consumption and emissions baseline inventory which was taken in 2008. From the total of 5463 GJ of energy consumed and 221 tonnes of Co2 equivalent greenhouse gas emissions, it was determined that energy consumption in the buildings accounts for 42% of the carbon emissions, fleet vehicles account for 56%, and infrastructure accounts for 1%. The proposed reduction target is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 15% below 2008 levels by 2015.

Ms. Garratt went on to explain eighteen recommended actions to existing buildings; fleet; infrastructure; new buildings; purchasing; leadership; and to regional collaboration in order to meet the target.

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

- qualifications and verification procedure of offset reduction projects;
- inclusion of industry, as they have expressed interest;
- recreation centers' emissions included under the operator's (municipal) inventory;
- if local government were to fund a wind farm, it could qualify as an offset purchase project;
- no direct penalty if the voluntary target is not reached; however it would limit qualifications for provincial grants;
- Europe has an active carbon market; it is increasing in British Columbia.

Ms. Garratt concluded her presentation at 4:20 p.m.

The Chair thanked Ms. Garratt, stating she expected there would be more questions as the project progresses.

RD/09/12/11

MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Clark,
that the December 11, 2009 power point presentation from Stantec Consulting Ltd.
regarding the Peace River Regional District Corporate Energy Plan be received.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

12) C-6 RD/09/12/12
Pitch in BC request for
2010 membership renewal
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that the Pitch-in British Columbia 2010 membership fee in the amount of \$550.00 be
approved from Environmental Service Funds.
CARRIED.

REPORTS:

13) R-1 RD/09/12/13
November 16, 2009 -
Ron Storie
re: Blackfoot
Playground Equipment
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Caton,
that the Regional Board authorize the purchase of playground equipment, up to a
maximum of \$13,000, for Blackfoot Park, out of the 2009 Regional Parks Budget.
CARRIED.

14) R-2 RD/09/12/14
November 25, 2009 -
Karen Goodings, EADC
re: November 19, 2009
meeting
recommendations
Re: ATV's Trespassing
on Private Property
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that a letter be forwarded to the Task Force on BC Ranching to request:
a) that the current legislation regarding trespassers on private property be enforced;
and
b) that trespassing on private property become a finable offence, similar to the
Trespass to Property Act that was recently enacted by the Saskatchewan
provincial government.
CARRIED.

Re: Chetwynd to Taylor
Highway RD/09/12/15
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that
a) letters be forwarded to the MLA's for both Peace River north and south to request
that a priority be placed on the construction of a highway from Chetwynd to
connect with the Alaska Highway at Taylor; and
b) copies of the letters be sent to the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee,
Energy Services BC and the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure.

Motion to Amend RD/09/12/16
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Jarvis,
that resolution RD/09/12/15 be amended by striking out the words "priority be placed
on" and replaced with "feasibility study be done, with participation from the Regional
District".

The Chair called the question on the amending motion:

NAYS 1: Director Anderson CARRIED.

REPORTS: continued

- R-2 - continued
EADC November 19,
2009 Meeting
Recommendations
Re: Chetwynd to Taylor
Highway
Motion as Amended
- The Chair called the question on the motion as amended, which reads as follows:
RD/09/12/15
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that
a) letters be forwarded to the MLA's for both Peace River north and south to request that a feasibility study be done with participation from the Regional District, on the construction of a highway from Chetwynd to connect with the Alaska Highway at Taylor; and
b) copies of the letters be sent to the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee, Energy Services BC and the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure.
- NAYS 1: Director Anderson CARRIED.
- Re: Wabi Hill Trailer
Park Lagoon
- RD/09/12/17
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that a letter be forwarded to the District of Chetwynd to request that the District evaluate the feasibility of connecting the residents in the Wabi area to the District's sewer system.
- CARRIED.
- Re: ALC Discussion
Paper
- RD/09/12/18
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Anderson,
that staff be authorized to work with Agricultural Land Commission staff to prepare a Discussion Paper on business case significance to permit quarter-section subdivisions on Agricultural Land Reserve land in Northeast BC.
- CARRIED.
- 15) R-3
December 1, 2009
Karen Goodings, Chair
and Fred Banham CAO
re: Independent Land
Information & Advocate
Officer
- RD/09/12/19
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
a) that the Regional Board enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Provincial Government to facilitate an Independent Land Information & Advocate Office (Farmers' Advocate); and
b) that staff be authorized to work with Provincial Ministry staff to develop and advertise a Request for Proposal.
- CARRIED.
- 16) R-4
ALR Subdivision
Application 176/2009
(Dyck)
- RD/09/12/20
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Saugstad,
that the Regional Board support ALR Subdivision Application 176/2009 for David Dyck to subdivide a 20 acre lot including the applicants home-site from the parent parcel A (H6722) Northeast ¼ Section 19, Township 78, Range 16, W6M, PRD; and authorize the application to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission on the basis that the proposal appears to meet the requirement for subdivision under Section 946 of the *Local Government Act*.
- NAYS: 1 Director Hadland CARRIED.

REPORTS: continued

17) R-5 RD/09/12/21
ALR Non-farm Use MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
Application 177/2009 that the Regional Board support ALR Non-farm Use Application 177/2009 for the Peace
(Peace River Regional River Regional District to develop a manned Solid Waste Transfer Station on Lot 1,
District) Plan 5983, Section 16, Township 25, PRD; and authorize the application to proceed to
the Agricultural Land Commission on the basis that the proposal falls under the
category of "Public Utility" which is a permitted use in all zones.

CARRIED.

18) R-6 RD/09/12/22
December 4, 2009 - MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
Kim Frech, CFO a) that the Peace River Regional District continue it's banking services with the
re: Banking Services b) that the Peace River Regional District's Banking policy be amended to tender
banking services every 10 years or earlier if conditions warrant.

NAYS: 1 Director Hadland

CARRIED.

APPOINTMENTS:

19) A-1 RD/09/12/23
2010 Board MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Anderson,
Appointments to that the committee appointments, portfolios, signing authorities and auditors remain the
Committees and same, at least until the January 14, 2010 Regional Board Meeting.
Outside Agencies

CARRIED.

20) Adjournment RD/09/12/24
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Sheila DeCosta, Recording Secretary

Karen Goodings, Chair

CERTIFIED a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District from a meeting held on December 11, 2009 in North Peace Cultural Centre Carpet Room, Fort St. John, BC.

Faye Salisbury, Corporate Officer