



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

JULY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: July 9, 2009

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Regional District Office Board Room, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT: Directors
Director Goodings, Chair
Director Hadland
Director Lantz
Director Hiebert
Director Saugstad
Director Jarvis
Director Caton
Director Clark
Director Bernier

Alternate Directors
Alternate Director Johnson
Alternate Director Mackay

Absent
Director White
Director Anderson
Director Ackerman

Staff

Fred Banham, Chief Administrative Officer
Shannon Anderson, Deputy CAO
Kim Frech, Chief Financial Officer
Ron Storie, Manager of Community Services
Sheila DeCosta, Secretary – Legislative Services, Recorder

Others

Greg Amos, Dawson Creek Daily News
Matthew Bains, Northeast News
Brian Lieverse, Community Relations, EnCana Corporation
Claire Langlois, Research Manager, BC Grain Producers Association
Uwe Erbe

D-1 Big 50 Road Rally

Betty Deck, Event Coordinator

D-2 Branding the Peace

Lisa Wildman, Chair

1) Call to Order The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

Chair Goodings The Chair advised the Directors that Brian Lieverse, Community Relations Representative, EnCana Corporation was in attendance to provide an update related to recent bombings of their pipelines in the area.

2) Vary Agenda RD/09/07/01
MOVED by Director Bernier, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the agenda be varied in order to receive an update on the most recent bombing incidents which have occurred in the area, from Brian Lieverse, Community Relations, EnCana Corporation.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

3) NB-1
Update on Recent
Bombing Incidents

Brian Lieverse,
Community Relations
Representative - EnCana
Corporation

Handout: 4 page
Emergency Response
Plan

Mr. Brian Lieverse, Community Relations Representative EnCana Corporation updated board members on recent explosions near EnCana well sites. The fifth bombing occurred on July 1, 2009 at a sweet well site which resulted in a very small amount of gas leaking. There was never any danger to residents; however, they were advised of the event as were Directors Hiebert, Bernier and Clark. Repairs are underway at the present time.

The sixth incident took place on July 4, 2009 and was of more concern as it was a fairly large blast at the base of a pipeline and created a leak within 200 metres of a residence. The leaking pipeline was depressurized after activation of an H₂S monitor. A local resident heard the blast and called 9-1-1, as well as neighbours; some of whom evacuated the area along with him. The evacuation was later determined not to be necessary; however EnCana Corporation appreciated this resident's quick thinking. Repairs will take place once the active investigation by police is completed.

Mr. Lieverse handed out a four page public information sheet which has been delivered to homes near EnCana's well sites. It is a more condensed version of the larger emergency response package homeowners received in advance of the industrial activity coming to the area. Rather than holding a town hall meeting, EnCana staff will be meeting with residents individually to provide them with information and address their concerns.

RD/09/07/02

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Clark,
that the handout from EnCana Corporation regarding public information package -
Emergency Response Plan be received.

CARRIED.

A question and answer period ensued.

RD/09/07/03

MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Bernier,
that the Regional Board research information in order to deliver a public statement or
series of statements that will outline the Board's position regarding the recent bombing
occurrences in the area, and also address the public's most frequently asked questions.

DEFEATED

Further discussion took place.

RD/09/07/04

MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Bernier,
that staff be directed to work with EnCana Corporation to develop a series of public
announcements which relay the Regional District's support of:

- a) the investigations by the Integrated National Security Enforcement Teams (INSET); the RCMP; and EnCana Corporation related to the recent bombings in the area; and
- b) also to encourage the public to feel secure and to come forward with any pertinent information they may have which could assist with the investigation.

CARRIED.

Mr. Lieverse left the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

DIRECTORS' NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

Director Bernier	Solid Waste
Director Hiebert	Murphy Oil Open House Alta Gas Invitation
Director Hadland	Peace River Lookout Landfill Audit Charlie Lake Community Club

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- 4) Adoption of Agenda RD/09/07/05
MOVED by Director Jarvis, SECONDED by Director Caton,
that the Peace River Regional District agenda for the July 9, 2009 meeting, including
Director's new business and additional items / handouts 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 June 25, 2009.
- Handout:
- M-1 Replacement pages 9 and 9 for the Minutes of June 25, 2009.
5. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - BA-1 June 30, 2009 report from Fred Banham regarding June 25 - C-1, local government liability resulting from building regulations.
 - BA-2 June 30, 2009 report from Fred Banham regarding June 25 - C-3, comment on Working Roundtable on Forestry report.
 6. Delegations
 - 10:30 am D-1 Big 50 Safety Road Rally, Charlie Lasser, Committee Chairman and Betty Deck, Event Coordinator regarding 50th Event.
 - 11:30 am D-2 *Branding the Peace, Lisa Wildman Chair and Joni Aylward, Research Coordinator regarding "Looking to the Future".*
 7. Petitions
 8. Correspondence
 - C-1 June 18, 2009 - Karen Fedderly complaint regarding Lot 1, Plan 9697, Section 24, Township 83, Range 18, W6M, PRD (Lundquist).
 - C-2 June 20, 2009 - Steve Thorlakson, General Manager, Surerus regarding the South Peace Pipeline project.
 - C-3 June 25, 2009 - Gary MacIsaac, Executive Director UBCM regarding RCMP Contract Renewal Update.
 9. Reports
 - R-1 June 23, 2009 - Kim Frech regarding consideration of retroactive mileage claims.
 - R-2 June 30, 2009 - Fred Banham regarding the Proposed Indigenous Recognition and Reconciliation Act.
 - R-3 June 29, 2009 - Timothy Donegan regarding ALR Subdivision Application 91/2009 (Henry and Susie Richter).
 - R-4 June 29, 2009 - Karen Goodings, Chair EADC regarding June 23, 2009 meeting recommendations. See MA-2
- Handout:
- R-5 July 6, 2009 - Ron Storie regarding Letter of Support for the Doig River First Nations Application to Recreational Infrastructure Canada Program (RIc).
10. By-laws

Adoption of Agenda -
continued

RD/09/07/05 continued:

11. Diary
 - a) Regional Diary
 - b) Agenda Preparation Schedule
 - c) Schedule of Events
12. New Business
 - NB-1 Update from EnCana Corporation
 - NB-2 Solid Waste
 - NB-3 Murphy Oil Open House
 - NB-4 Alta Gas Invitation
 - NB-5 Peace River Lookout
 - NB-6 Landfill Audit
 - NB-7 Charlie Lake Community Club
13. Appointments
14. Consent Calendar
 - MA-1 Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2009.
 - MA-2 Electoral Area Directors' Committee Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2009.
15. Notice of Motion
16. Media Questions
17. Adjournment

NAYS: 4

CARRIED.

Some directors voiced concerns about too many items of New Business coming forward to the meeting without background information.

DELEGATIONS:

5) D-1
Big 50 Safety Road
Rally

Betty Deck, Event Coordinator for the Big 50 Safety Road Rally represented the Jackfish Community Association in their request for support of the community's fiftieth birthday celebration of the construction of the Jackfish Lake Road.

The road which provided a western route to the southern portions of the province from Taylor through Chetwynd, BC. was constructed entirely through private donations and volunteers and completed in only ten days time. Many of the individuals who participated in the construction and celebration of the road's opening will be joining in the caravan of dignitaries to retrace the route on August 29, 2009. The event will begin in the North Peace by boat, and will be joined by a caravan of horses, quads, and vehicles in the South Peace and will culminate at the Chetwynd Recreation Centre.

The intent of the rally is to recognize the historical importance of the route to local residents, industry, and contributions to the provincial economy and also to bring awareness to the need to address the safety issues of the road and its impact on all user groups in the Peace Region.

RD/09/07/06

MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Clark,
that the Regional Board approve a grant of \$3,500.⁰⁰ from the Grants to Community Organizations fund to the Jackfish Community Association for its 50th anniversary celebration of the construction of the Jackfish Lake Road.

TABLED.

RD/09/07/07

MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that resolution RD/09/07/06 be tabled until later in the meeting.

CARRIED.

6) Recess for coffee The meeting recessed for coffee at 11:35 a.m.

7) Reconvene The meeting reconvened at 11:40 a.m.

DELEGATIONS: continued

8) D-2
Branding the Peace
Country Association

Lisa Wildman, Chair

Lisa Wildman, Chair, Branding the Peace Country Association explained the Association's new Mission Statement "*Branding the Peace Country advocates for and promotes the research-proven, superior quality of Peace Country Agriculture*". She provided history of their evolvement to increase awareness of *Branding* at local, provincial, national and international levels. Much of that progress has been due to partnering with the Alberta Research Council to scientifically prove the superior quality of agricultural products grown in the Peace; particularly flax. Branding was founded on the belief that the Peace region products were superior. She was pleased to show graph comparisons of the research done which substantiates the evidence of superior quality. She felt the completion of a research series would assist in creating international demand for the region's other superior commodities such as alfalfa and berries.

A more sustained membership structure is required to support the objectives of the new three year strategic plan of the association. The revised model has been created with a base partnership consisting of organizations, municipalities, and associations who are stakeholders in research proposals. The change in fee reflects the new policy.

The Chair invited Ms. Wildman to join the directors for lunch to continue discussions.

9) Recess The meeting recessed for luncheon at 12:08 p.m.

10) Reconvene The meeting reconvened at 1 p.m.

11) M-1
Regional Board
Meeting Minutes of
June 25, 2009
with Handout
replacement pages 9
and 10

RD/09/07/08
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Saugstad,
that the Regional Board Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2009 be adopted as presented with
replacement pages 9 and 10.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING:

12) Page 9, Item 30)
regarding structuring of
the Farmers' Advocate
position

Director Saugstad provided comments which were relative to the resolutions regarding the Farmers' Advocate position; as he was not in attendance during the June 25, 2009 meeting.

BUSINESS ARISING: continued

- 13) BA-1
re: C-1, Local
Government Liability
Resulting From Building
Construction
Regulations
- RD/09/07/09
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the Peace River Regional Board forward a letter to the Minister of Community and
Rural Development requesting that the *Local Government Act* be amended to remove
joint and several liability of local government as provided to the City of Vancouver in the
Vancouver Charter.
- CARRIED.
- RD/09/07/10
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the Regional Board schedule a meeting with the Minister of Community and Rural
Development at the September UBCM meetings to discuss the issue of municipal liability
resulting from provincial building construction regulations.
- CARRIED.
- 14) BA-2
re: C-3, UBCM
committee request for
comment on the
Working Roundtable on
Forestry Report
- RD/09/07/11
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Hadland,
that the Regional Board forward a letter to the Community Economic Development
Committee of the Union of BC Municipalities, in support of the Working Roundtable on
Forestry report recommendations.
- CARRIED.
- 15) Vary Agenda
- RD/09/07/12
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Saugstad,
that the agenda be varied to deal with items D-1 and D-2 at this time.
- CARRIED.
- 16) Lift from the Table
Re: Big 50 Road Rally
Tabled Resolution
- RD/09/07/13
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Clark,
That resolution RD/09/07/06 be lifted from the table for discussion.
- CARRIED.
- RD/09/07/06
MOVED by Director Caton, SECONDED by Director Clark,
that the Regional Board approve a grant of \$3,500.⁰⁰ from the Grants to Community
Organizations fund to the Jackfish Community Association for its 50th anniversary
celebration of the construction of the Jackfish Lake Road.
- CARRIED
- 17) D-2
Branding the Peace
Country
Partnership Fees
- RD/09/07/14
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Bernier,
that the Regional Board approve payment of invoice #0002 for Branding the Peace
Country Association Partnership Fees in the amount of \$1,500.⁰⁰
- CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

18) C-1
June 18, 2009
complaint
RD/09/07/15
MOVED by Director Lantz, SECONDED by Director Saugstad,
that the Regional Board forward a response to Mrs. Fedderly regarding her complaint
relating to Lot 1, Plan 9697, Section 24, Township 83, Range 18, W6M, PRD (Lundquist)
stating this issue has already been submitted to the Peace River Regional District's legal
counsel.
CARRIED.

REPORTS:

19) R-1
June 23, 2009 - Kim
Frech re: Consideration
of Retroactive Mileage
Claims
RD/09/07/16
MOVED by Director Saugstad, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the Regional Board follow the 2009 adopted Committee Members (Paid) policy and
not reimburse for mileage retroactively.
CARRIED.

20) R-2
Proposed Indigenous
Recognition and
Reconciliation Act
RD/09/07/17
MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Bernier,
that the Regional Board advise and support administration's response and comments
made to the Union of BC Municipalities on the Proposed Indigenous Recognition Act
survey.
CARRIED.

21) R-3
ALR Subdivision
Application
(Richter)
RD/09/07/18
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Lantz,
that the Regional Board authorize ALR Subdivision Application 91/2009 for Henry and
Susie Richter, to subdivide 2 ha (5 ac) from the west half of Lot A, Plan PGP45017,
Section 4, Township 84, Range 19, in order to provide a residence for the owners' son,
to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission on the basis that it conforms to the
Official Community Plan.
CARRIED.

22) R-4
June 29, 2009 - Karen
Goodings, Chair EADC
re: June 23, 2009
meeting
recommendations
RD/09/07/19
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
a) that the Regional District partner with the Hats 'N' Chaps Gymkhana Society (Hats N
Chaps) and the Rose Prairie Curling Club; and
b) that staff be authorized to receive and process funds from the Farm Credit Canada
AgriSpirit Fund for the two projects.
CARRIED.

re: Not-for-profit
Organization
applications to the
Farm Credit Canada
AgriSpirit Fund
RD/09/07/20
MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that approval be given for the hiring of a By-law Investigation Officer / Building Inspector.
CARRIED.

re: By-law Investigation
Officer

REPORTS: continued

23) R-5 RD/09/07/21
Handout: MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
July 6, 2009 - Ron that the Regional Board forward a letter in support of the Doig River First Nations
Storie submission to the Recreation Infrastructure Canada Program (RIc) for an ice facility.
re: Doig River First CARRIED.
Nations (RIc) Funding
Application

24) Permission for RD/09/07/22
Closed Meeting MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Caton,
that, pursuant to Section 90 (1) c and g of the Community Charter, permission be
granted to resolve to a closed session for the Peace River Regional District.
CARRIED.

The meeting resolved to the closed session at 2:12 p.m. Members of the public left the room.

25) Re-call to Order Following the closed meeting, the Regional Board meeting was re-called to order by the
Chair at 3:40 p.m.

26) Report from RD/09/07/23
Closed Meeting MOVED by Director Bernier, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
that the following resolution be released from the July 9, 2009 closed meeting of the
Peace River Regional District:

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED,
that the Board resolves to recommend to the Province that Mr. Dennis Meier, the Peace River Regional
District's contract weed inspector be appointed as a Weed Control Officer under the authority of
section 10 of the *Weed Control Act*.

CARRIED.

DIARY

27) Regional Diary/ RD/09/07/24
Agenda Preparation MOVED by Director Hadland, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
Schedule/ Schedule of that the following items be added to the 2009 Schedule of Events:
Events
▪ September 23 - 25 Energy Conference, Dawson Creek, BC
▪ August 27 - 29 Fort St. John Petroleum Association 50th Anniversary, Fort St. John.

CARRIED.

