

ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS' COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 21, 2018

PLACE: Regional District Office Boardroom, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT:

DIRECTORS: Karen Goodings, Electoral Area 'B' (Chair)

Brad Sperling, Electoral Area 'C' Leonard Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D'

Dan Rose, Electoral Area 'E'

STAFF: Shawn Dahlen, Acting CAO

Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager

Claire Negrin, Acting General Manager of Development Services

Fran Haughian, Communications Manager

Kelsey Bates, Executive Assistant

DELEGATIONS: Tamara Danshin, Regional Economic Development Manager, Northeast Region,

Ministry of FLNRO

Dwain McRae, Manager of Operations, PNG

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

Director Sperling Board appointment to the Fort St. John Library – Area C.

Director Sperling Mile 28 boat launch – request for gate.

Director Rose Meeting with Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources – June 29,

2018.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

June 21, 2018 Agenda

MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors' Committee agenda for the June 21, 2018 meeting be adopted, including items of New Business:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Director Goodings to Chair the meeting
- 2. DIRECTOR'S NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

Board appointment to the Fort St. John Library – Area C.

Mile 28 launch, request for gate.

Meeting with Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources June 29, 2018.

- 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:
- 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:
 - M-1 Electoral Area Directors' Committee Minutes of May 17, 2018
- 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:
- 6. DELEGATIONS
 - D-1 10:30 a.m. Tamara Manshin Regional Economic Development Manager, Northeast Region - Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development
 - D-2 11:30 a.m. Dwain McRae Manager of Operations, PNG Update on PNG Activity in the PRRD

ADOPTION OF AGENDA (CONTINUED):

- 7. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
- 8. REPORTS:

R-1 June 11, 2018 - Claire Negrin, Acting General Manager of Development Services -Production Facility Regulations within Zoning Bylaws

- 9. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**
 - DI-1 Municipal Participation in Planning Update
- 10. **NEW BUSINESS:**
- **COMMUNICATIONS:** 11.
- 12. DIARY:
- **13**. **ADJOURNMENT:**

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

M-1 MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Sperling,

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That the Electoral Area Directors' Committee May 17, 2018 Minutes be adopted.

May 17, 2018 CARRIED.

The Chair varied the Agenda at 10:05 a.m. Vary the Agenda

REPORTS:

R-1 MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Sperling,

Zoning Bylaws -That item R-1 be tabled until 1 p.m.

Production Facility CARRIED.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

DI-1

Planning Update

The Committee provided the Planning Services Manager and the Electoral Area Municipal Participation in Manager of with feedback on the presentation thus far. Providing handouts with additional information was discussed.

Vary the Agenda

The Chair varied the Agenda to hear the scheduled Delegation at 10:30 am.

DELEGATIONS:

D-1

Tamara Danshin, Ministry of FLNRORD

Tamara Danshin, Regional Economic Development Manager, Northeast Region -Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development attended to discuss the BC Rural Dividend program. Ms. Danshin explained highlights of the program:

- Beneficial for smaller communities
- Opportunity to partner with other communication for larger amounts of funding
- Economic Development and community development initiatives
- Design phases of projects are applicable under this grant
- The PRRD could apply for various projects in multiple communities
- An outreach session will be held at Community Futures on June 26th and the PRRD's grant writer will be in attendance.
- A good fit for not-for profit organizations

The Committee suggested that Ms. Danshin attend the 2019 April Grant-in-Aid meeting to provide the information to community groups.

DELEGATION (CONTINUED):

D-1 (continued)

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

of FLNRORD

Tamara Danshin, Ministry That the Electoral Area Director's Committee recommends that the Regional Board send a letter to the Hon. Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, advising that the Electoral Area Directors were pleased with the presentation on the Rural Dividend Grant Program from Tamara Danshin, Regional Economic Development Manager, Northeast Region, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, and further that the Board would like the ministry to continue to support the grant program in the future.

CARRIED.

Vary the Agenda

The Chair varied the Agenda at 10:54 a.m. to New Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

NB-1

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

FSJ Library Appointment

That the Electoral Area Director's Committee recommends that the Regional Board appoint Karlene Duncan as the Area C representative to the Fort St. John Public Library

Board.

CARRIED.

NB-2

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Rose,

Mile 58 Boat Launch

That the Electoral Area Director's Committee recommends that the Regional Board send a letter to Natasha Ewing, Community Liaison Officer for the local BC Parks office requesting that a gate be installed at the Mile 58 boat launch on Charlie Lake.

CARRIED.

NB-3

Meeting with the Minister of Energy, Mines Petroleum Resources on June 29, 2018. and Petroleum Resources

The Committee discussed the purpose of Director Sperling and Director Rose's meeting with the BC Oil and Gas Commission and the Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines and

COMMUNICATIONS:

The Committee discussed the upcoming summer parades and other summer events.

DIARY:

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That North Pine TV be removed from the Diary, as the General Manger of

Environmental Services has taken on the task.

CARRIED.

The Committee updated the wording in "Tour for Water Advisory Committee

Members" to add a ribbon cutting and grand opening event, upon completion of the

water station.

Vary the Agenda

The Chair varied the Agenda to hear the scheduled delegation at 11:26 a.m.

DELEGATION (CONTINUED):

D-2

Dwain McRae, PNG

Dwain McRae - Manager of Operations, Pacific Northern Gas attended to provide the Committee with an update on PNG Activity in the PRRD, as follows:

- Two senior level staff members have moved on from PNG, and Mr. McRae is in the process of familiarizing himself with their projects (i.e Wonowon, Tomslake)
- Wonowon PNG is revisiting the area from a construction standpoint to identify costs for providing services and will reach out to the Board when that is complete.
- Mr. McRae advised that he will look up information on the Progress/Groundbirch/Upper Cutback area to see if servicing the area is
- Discussion ensued on tapping into private company pipelines to bring services to residents. Further, how the Province may be able to offer incentives to companies who allow a tap for PNG to utilize, meter and distribute gas to residents, as seen with Fortis BC.
- Mr. McRae noted that PNG's goal is to service as many residents as possible, while remaining economically stable. Natural Gas is a clean and sustainable energy.
- The use of contractors by PNG was discussed, Mr. McRae advised that PNG has had discussion about expanding their Fort St. John in house staff.

DIARY:

Recess

The Committee removed the word "June" for the Notes portion of "Electoral Area D Water Referendum".

The Chair recessed the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Reconvene

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 1 p.m.

REPORTS (CONTINUED):

R-1

The Chair lifted R-1 from the table

June 11/18 - Production **Zoning Bylaws**

Facility Regulations within The Electoral Area Directors Committee discussed the Zoning Bylaw No. 1343, 2001, specifically Production Facilities in the A-2 zones.

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend to the Regional Board that staff be directed to prepare a report on options for production facility regulations in zoning bylaws; further, that the report be reviewed by the Electoral Area Directors' Committee prior to Board's review.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2 p.m.

Karen Goodings, Chair Kelsey Bates, Executive Assistant