



Peace River Regional District

Board Meeting Newsletter

June 11, 2015 Location: Dawson Creek



Committee of the Whole Presentations

TransCanada - Coastal GasLink Pipeline Ltd. updated the Board on permits and management plans, Ministry approvals, monitoring, changes to the mitigation in the management plans, the process to ensure local business participation, camps; including construction planning, permitting, construction contractor management, camp contractor management, policing services and easements with private landowners

Staff presented a report to the Board on the 911 & Fire dispatch services. Highlights included how the PRRD service is managed and operated, who the regional service providers are and shared the results from the Review of 9-1-1 Call Answer & Fire Dispatch Services by Pomax consulting.

Delegations

Swan Lake Enhancement Society (SLES) is a not for profit registered society made up of volunteers and with a membership of 150 + members. The mission of the Society is to promote good stewardship on the lake and its water shed. They presented their concerns that in the past several years, events have taken place that could have had significant impact on Swan Lake, such as land spraying of oil and gas waste in the water shed; the secure landfill proposal 4.5 miles south of the lake; land development on the steep banks on the east side of the lake; and oil and gas drilling and hydraulic fracturing (fracking) near and under the lake.

The Board resolved to support the SLES request to lobby the province to stop fracking under Swan Lake.

The Healthcare Traveling Roadshow traveled to towns with an interdisciplinary team to present different options, give information (programs), hands on experience. This was the first time the road show toured Dawson Creek, Fort St John and Tumbler Ridge although the program has been in place for the last 5 years. The goal of the roadshow is to showcase healthcare careers, life in a rural community, provide interdisciplinary experience for healthcare students to enable them to appreciate healthcare challenges faced by rural communities and encourage the students to relocate in rural communities after graduation.

Agricultural Land Reserve Applications

The Baumeister, LeClere, Gagnon, Wiebe, Dunn and the South Peace Hutterian Brethern Church applications were forwarded to the Agricultural Land Commission.

Temporary User Permits (TUP's)

The following two TUP's applications were issued for three years: Svisdahl- to operate a 57 unit RV campground. Ahlstrom- to operate four separate areas for industrial storage equipment.

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2015-18 Strategic Plan Moving Forward in Sustaining the Peace River Region

The approved plan will provide the direction for policies and programs for the Board, the CAO and staff for the next four years.

Strategic Plan and Profile of Invasive Plants and Noxious weeds

The Board adopted the 2015 Strategic Plan and Profile of Invasive Plants and Noxious Weeds. It will be posted on the PRRD website.

There are many ways to report invasive plants.

- Email the scan of the plant, pictures and location to kari.bondaroff@prrd.bc.ca
- Bring a sample to the Regional District Office
- Call the Invasive Plant Program Manager at 250-784-3227 /250-219-4807
- Call the toll-free number: 1-800-670-7773
- Write a letter to the Invasive Plant Program, Box 810, Dawson Creek BC, V1G 4H8
- Use your smartphone, turn on your GPS, go to maps and record the location, then email it to kari.bondaroff@prrd.bc.ca along with a description of what you are seeing
- Download the free app: www.reportaweedbc.ca

Next Board Meeting

June 25, 2015

10 am Committee of the Whole

11am Closed Meeting

1pm Board Meeting

Hudson's Hope Community Hall

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