



# PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

## **FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING** **MINUTES**

DATE: February 28, 2019

PLACE: Regional District Office Boardroom, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT: **Directors**

Chair Sperling, Electoral Area 'C'  
Vice-Chair Rose, Electoral Area 'E'  
Director Ackerman, City of Fort St. John  
Director Bumstead, City of Dawson Creek  
Director Courtoreille, District of Chetwynd  
Director Fraser, District of Taylor  
Director Goodings, Electoral Area 'B'  
Director Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D'  
Director Michetti, Village of Pouce Coupe  
Director Zabinsky, City of Fort St. John

**Alternate Directors**

Alternate Director Kirby, District of Tumbler Ridge  
Alternate Director Miller, District of Hudson's Hope

**Absent**

Director Bertrand, District of Tumbler Ridge  
Director Heiberg, District of Hudson's Hope

**Staff**

Shawn Dahlen, Chief Administrative Officer  
Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer  
Lyle Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Paulo Eichelberger, General Manager of Environmental Services  
Trish Morgan, General Manager of Community Services  
Kari Bondaroff, Environmental Services Manager  
Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager  
Fran Haughian, Communications Manager  
Trevor Ouellette, IT Manager  
Erin Price, Bylaw Enforcement Officer  
Kelsey Bates, Executive Assistant  
Brenda Deliman, Recording Secretary

**Other**

Carolyn Dunn, Urban Systems

**Delegations**

**D-1 Farmers' Advocate Management Committee**

Richard Bader, Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources  
Lori Vickers, Ministry of Agriculture

**DELEGATIONS: (continued)**

**D-2 Farmers' Advocacy Office**

Anne Clayton

Judi Leeming

**D-3 Agricultural Land Commission**

Jennifer Dyson

Kim Grout

Call to Order                The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**DIRECTORS' NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:**

Chair Sperling             Memorandum of Understanding – Local Government Participation in the New Relationship with First Nations

Director Goodings        Treaty Land Entitlement Meetings

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

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RD/19/02/01 (28)

MOVED Director Fraser, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That the Peace River Regional District Board agenda for the February 28, 2019 meeting, including Director's new business and additional items for the agenda, be adopted as amended:

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Directors' Notice of New Business**
3. **Adoption of Agenda**
4. **Gallery Comments or Questions**
5. **Adoption of Minutes**

M-1 Regional Board Draft Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2019

6. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
7. **Delegations**

11:00 a.m.

D-1 Farmers' Advocate Management Committee

Re: Farmers' Advocacy Office

Lori Vickers, Regional Agrologist, MoA

Richard Bader, Acting Director, Resource Development Tenure & Geoscience Branch, Oil & Gas Division, MoEMPR

1:00 p.m.

D-2 Farmers' Advocacy Office

Re: Farmers' Advocacy Office

Anne Clayton

Judi Leeming

1:30 p.m.

D-3 Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) (by invitation of the Board)

Re: ALC Update

Jennifer Dyson, Chair

Kim Grout, CEO

8. **Petitions**

RD/19/02/01 (28)  
(continued)

**Adoption of Agenda: (continued)**

**9. Correspondence**

- C-1 February 10, 2019 – Caron Creek Farm Ltd. – Train Whistling Cessation Request
- C-2 February 11, 2019 – Village of Pouce Coupe – Winter Jamboree
- C-3 February 19, 2019 – Chair Sperling – Peace River Local Government Association Meeting
- C-4 February 11, 2019 – MP Zimmer, Prince George-Peace River-Northern Rockies – Mile 54 Boat Launch
- C-5 February 20, 2019 – District of Tumbler Ridge – 2019 Sled Town Party
- C-6 February 14, 2019 – Peace Country River Rats – Peace Island Park Inclusive Playground

**10. Reports**

- R-1 February 12, 2019 – Paulo Eichelberger, General Manager of Environmental Services – Recommendations from the February 7, 2019 Solid Waste Committee Meeting
- R-2 February 13, 2019 – Trish Morgan, General Manager of Community Services – Recommendations from the February 12, 2019 Regional Parks Committee Meeting
- R-3 February 21, 2019 – Fran Haughian, Manager of Communications – Dawson Creek Home & Leisure Show
- R-4 February 4, 2019 – Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer – Video Recording of Board Meetings Contract Extension
- R-5 February 19, 2019 – Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer – NCLGA Resolution: Search and Rescue Funding
- R-6 February 12, 2019 – Trish Morgan, General Manager of Community Services and Deborah Jones-Middleton, Protective Services Manager – Recommendations from the February 7, 2019 Emergency Executive Committee Meeting
- R-7 February 19, 2019 – Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager – NCLGA Resolution: UBCM Convention Location
- R-8 February 14, 2019 – Michael Blatz, North Peace Land Use Planner - Application for Subdivision within the ALR, PRRD File No. 19-027 (Stadler)
- R-9 January 25, 2019 – Kole Casey, South Peace Land Use Planner – Application for Subdivision within the ALR, PRRD File No. 18-333 (Crantz)
- R-10 January 23, 2019 – Kole Casey, South Peace Land Use Planner – Application for Subdivision within the ALR, PRRD File No. 18-332 (Bassett)
- R-11 January 25, 2019 – Kole Casey, South Peace Land Use Planner – Application for Non-Farm Use within the ALR, PRRD File No. 18-328 (Toews)
- R-12 February 21, 2019 – Paulo Eichelberger, General Manager of Environmental Services, and Kari Bondaroff, Environmental Services Manager – Recommendations from the February 21, 2019 Invasive Plant Committee Meeting
- R-13 February 22, 2019 – Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager – Groundwater Licensing Update
- R-14 February 22, 2019 – Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager – FSJ Land and Resource Management Plan Update Project

**11. Bylaws**

B-1 Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2333, 2019 (LePine Farms Ltd.)

**Consideration of First and Second Readings**

- a) February 13, 2019 report from Danielle Patterson, Planning Intern; and
- b) “Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2333, 2019

B-2 Official Community Plan and Zoning Amendment Bylaws No. 2359 and 2360, 2019 (Pollard)

**Consideration of First and Second Readings**

- a) February 11, 2019 report from Michael Blatz, North Peace Land Use Planner; and
- b) “Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2359, 2019”; and
- c) “Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2360, 2019”

RD/19/02/01 (28)  
(continued)

**Adoption of Agenda: (continued)**

**12. Schedule of Events**

- a) Strategic Plan
- b) Agenda Preparations Schedule
- c) Schedule of Events

**13. New Business**

- NB-1 February 6, 2019 – Minister of Public Safety & Solicitor General – Ground Movement Monitoring System and Old Fort
- NB-2 Chair Sperling - Memorandum of Understanding – Local Government Participation in the New Relationship with First Nations
- NB-3 Chair Goodings – Treaty Land Entitlement Meetings

**14. Appointments**

- a) 2019 List of Board Appointments

**15. Consent Calendar (for consideration and receipt)**

- MA-1 Regional Parks Committee Draft Meeting Minutes of February 12, 2019
- MA-2 Emergency Executive Committee Draft Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2019
- MA-3 Solid Waste Committee Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2019
- MA-4 Farmers' Advocate Management Committee Meeting Draft Record of Discussion of January 30, 2019
- MA-5 Invasive Plant Committee Draft Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2019
- MA-6 Chetwynd Communications Society Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2018
- CA-1 February 1, 2019 – City of Dawson Creek – Climate Accountability Campaign
- CA-2 February 15, 2019 – City of Fort St. John – PRRD Economic Development Projects
- CA-3 February 6, 2019 – Forest Enhancement Society of BC (FESBC) – FESBC January 2019 Accomplishments Report
- CA-4 February 16, 2019 – Ministry of Environment & Climate Change Strategy – Public Information Meeting
- CA-5 February 7, 2019 – Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) – 2018 UBCM Resolutions
- CA-6 February 12, 2019 – Canadian Cancer Society – Thank You for Peace of Mind Campaign Funding
- RA-1 February 15, 2019 – Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer – Items Previously Released from Closed Meetings

**16. Notice of Motion (for the next meeting):**

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

**18. Adjournment**

**CARRIED.**

**GALLERY COMMENTS:**

GC-1  
Steven Bassett

APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE ALR, PRRD FILE NO. 18-332  
(BASSETT)

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Mr. Bassett encouraged the Regional Board to support ALR Subdivision Application 18-332 (item R-10) as the subdivision would allow family members to build homes on the subject property.

Director Courtoreille entered the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

**GALLERY COMMENTS: (continued)**

GC-2

Lyle Toews

**APPLICATION FOR NON-FARM USE WITHIN THE ALR, PRRD FILE NO. 18-328**

Mr. Toews asked the Board to support his Non-Farm Use Application (item R-11) and advised that the property located across from Farmington Store had not been used for agriculture purposes for the last decade. He stated that the camp located on the property houses workers to minimize highway travel, and that Dawson Creek businesses and the Farmington community benefit from the camp as shopping is done locally, and the local school is supported.

GC-3

Nyla Lepine

**ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 2333, 2019**

Nyla Lepine encouraged the Regional Board to give first and second readings to Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2333, 2019 (item B-1). Ms. Lepine explained that the proposed rezoning would allow the property owner to retire and sell a portion of the subject property to a family member. The agricultural portion of the subject property would remain leased out and used for hay production.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

M-1

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

RD/19/02/02 (28)

MOVED Director Zabinsky, SECONDED Director Michetti,

That the Board Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2019 be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

**VARY AGENDA:**

**VARY AGENDA**

RD/19/02/03 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Bumstead,

That the agenda be varied to deal with items R-10 (ALR Subdivision Application 18-332), R-11 (ALR Non-Farm Use Application 18-328) and B-1 (Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2333, 2019) at this time.

**CARRIED.**

**REPORTS:**

R-10  
January 23, 2019 –  
Kole Casey, South  
Peace Land Use  
Planner

APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE ALR, PRRD FILE NO. 18-332  
(BASSETT)

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RD/19/02/04 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Rose,  
That the Regional Board support ALR Subdivision Application 18-332 to  
subdivide Parcel A (G16929) of the Southwest ¼ of Section 14, Township 79,  
Range 16, W6M PRD into 3 parcels, two lots approximately 4 hectares (9.9  
acres), and one lot approximately 4.9 hectares (12.1 acres), and authorize the  
application to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission.

**CARRIED.**

R-11  
January 25, 2019 –  
Kole Casey, South  
Peace Land Use  
Planner

APPLICATION FOR NON-FARM USE WITHIN THE ALR, PRRD FILE NO. 18-328  
(TOEWS)

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RD/19/02/05 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Rose,  
That the Regional Board support ALR Non-Farm Use Application 18-328 for  
the Northeast ¼ of Section 1, Township 80, Range 17, W6M, PRD except  
Parcel A (P39008 and Plans A938 18475 and BCP40976) to operate a worker  
camp with a capacity of 24 beds including camp services, and parking area for  
work vehicles, and authorize the application to proceed to the Agricultural  
Land Commission.

**AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING**

Motion to Amend

RD/19/02/06 (28)

MOVED Director Ackerman, SECONDED Director Fraser,  
That the motion be amended by adding the following:

“; further, that should the ALC approve the application, a traffic study be  
completed prior to the submission of a Temporary Use Permit application  
on the subject property.”

**CARRIED.**

**OPPOSED: Directors Goodings and Fraser**

**REPORTS: (continued)**

R-11 (continued)      APPLICATION FOR NON-FARM USE WITHIN THE ALR, PRRD FILE NO. 18-328 (TOEWS) (continued)

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Motion as Amended      The Chair Called the Question to the Motion as Amended:

That the Regional Board support ALR Non-Farm Use Application 18-328 for the Northeast ¼ of Section 1, Township 80, Range 17, W6M, PRD except Parcel A (P39008 and Plans A938 18475 and BCP40976) to operate a worker camp with a capacity of 24 beds including camp services, and parking area for work vehicles, and authorize the application to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission; further, that should the ALC approve the application, a traffic study be completed prior to the submission of a Temporary Use Permit application on the subject property.

**CARRIED.**

**BYLAW:**

B-1      ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 2333, 2019 (LEPINE FARMS LTD.)

February 13, 2019 -  
Danielle Patterson,  
Planning Intern

RD/19/02/07 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Rose,

1. That Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2333, 2019 to rezone a ± 8.3 hectare portion of the property legally described as Southwest ¼ of Section 19, Township 78, Range 14, W6M, Peace River from A-2 (Large Agricultural Holdings) to R-5 (Residential Zone 5) be read a first and second time this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019; and
2. That a Public Hearing be held pursuant to the *Local Government Act*; and
3. That the Public Hearing be delegated to the Director of Electoral Area 'D'.

**CARRIED.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

C-1      TRAIN WHISTLING CESSATION REQUEST

February 10, 2019 –  
Caron Creek Farm  
Ltd.

RD/19/02/08 (28)

MOVED Director Rose, SECONDED Director Ackerman,

That the letter from Caron Creek Farm Ltd. requesting assistance from the PRRD to approach CN Rail regarding train whistles near his property be received, and referred to staff to provide a report outlining procedures and estimated costs to eliminate train whistling at public railway crossings.

**CARRIED.**







**REPORTS: (continued)**

R-1 (continued)      TENDER / CONTRACT EVALUATION CRITERION – LOCALLY BASED BUSINESSES (Recommendation No. 2)

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RD/19/02/17 (28)

MOVED Director Rose, SECONDED Director Goodings,  
That research be conducted to explore options and impacts of including locally based businesses as an evaluation criterion to maximize the participation of local business in the supply of goods and services tendered or contracted by the Regional District.

**CARRIED.**

DRAFT 2019 REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BUDGET – CONSULTING SERVICES (Recommendation No. 3)

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The draft 2019 Regional Solid Waste Management Budget was considered at the February 27, 2019 Special Board meeting.

**DELEGATIONS:**

D-1  
Farmers' Advocate  
Management  
Committee - Lori  
Vickers, Regional  
Agrologist, MoA,  
and Richard Bader,  
Acting Director,  
Resource  
Development  
Tenure &  
Geoscience Branch,  
Oil & Gas Division,  
MoEMPR

FARMERS' ADVOCATE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ON THE FARMERS' ADVOCACY OFFICE (11:00 a.m.)

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Representatives from the Farmers' Advocate Management Committee presented information on the program evaluation of the Farmers' Advocacy Office. Topics included:

- Importance of the service to landowners and agricultural producers
- Broadening of service scope
- Deliverables and reporting requirements
- Options for program delivery

A question and answer period ensued. Topics included:

- Provincial funding
- Land use trends

RD/19/02/18 (28)

MOVED Director Ackerman, SECONDED Director Bumstead,  
That Board Procedure Bylaw No. 2200, 2015 be amended to allow flexibility around scheduling and receiving delegations.

**CARRIED.**

**REPORTS:**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FEBRUARY 12, 2019 REGIONAL PARKS  
COMMITTEE MEETING**

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R-2  
February 13, 2019 –  
Trish Morgan,  
General Manager of  
Community Services

**CONNECTING COMMUNITIES TRAILS PROJECT (Recommendation No. 1)**

RD/19/02/19 (28)

MOVED Director Rose, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That presentations be made to the Councils of the City of Fort St. John, City of Dawson Creek, and Village of Pouce Coupe regarding the “Connecting Communities Trails Project” prior to engaging the public and potentially affected adjacent property owners.

**CARRIED.**

**SEASONAL REGIONAL PARKS MAINTENANCE PILOT PROJECT  
(Recommendation No. 2)**

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RD/19/02/20 (28)

MOVED Director Fraser, SECONDED Director Rose,

That the report titled “Cost Benefit Analysis – In House v. Contracted Seasonal Parks Maintenance” be received; further, that a two-year pilot project, commencing in 2019, to employ two seasonal staff to conduct park maintenance at regional parks from April to October (7 months) in each year of the pilot project be authorized.

**CARRIED.**

**BLACKFOOT PARK CARETAKER CONTRACT (Recommendation No. 3)**

RD/19/02/21 (28)

MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Fraser,

That implementation of Resolution No. RD/18/11/18 (08) from the November 8, 2018 Board meeting that states:

*“That a park caretaker for Blackfoot Park be contracted in 2019 to oversee free camping services, to provide park maintenance and to assist with the development of a plan to transition to a fee-for-service camping model at Blackfoot Park for the 2020 season.”*

be postponed until after the caretaker site has been constructed and is fully operational.

**CARRIED.**

**REPORTS: (continued)**

R-2 (continued)

**WHISKEY JACK NORDIC SKI CLUB (Recommendation No. 4)**

RD/19/02/22 (28)

MOVED Director Fraser, SECONDED Director Rose,

That a grant in the amount of \$13,000 be provided to the Whiskey Jack Nordic Ski Club from the 2019 Recreational Trails Grants-in-Aid to construct a day lodge and an accessible pit toilet within Beatton Provincial Park.

**CARRIED.**

**PRESPATOU PLANNING COMMITTEE SOCIETY (Recommendation No. 5)**

RD/19/02/23 (28)

MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Bumstead,

That a grant in the amount of \$38,561.25 be provided to the Prespatou Planning Committee Society from the 2019 Recreational Trails Grants-in-Aid to develop and construct a gravel walking path in the Ministry of Transportation Right-of-Way that runs through the Prespatou community, pending receipt of permit from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

**CARRIED.**

**BEAR MOUNTAIN NORDIC SKI ASSOCIATION (Recommendation No. 6)**

RD/19/02/24 (28)

MOVED Director Bumstead, SECONDED Director Zabinsky,

That a grant in the amount of \$23,414.95 be provided to the Bear Mountain Nordic Ski Association from the 2019 Recreational Trails Grants-in-Aid to complete a geotechnical study for the proposed ski playground, and to improve drainage on the Wolf and Lynx trails.

**CARRIED.**

**2019 DRAFT REGIONAL PARKS BUDGET (Recommendation No. 7)**

The 2019 draft Regional Parks Budget was considered at the February 27, 2019 Special Board meeting.

R-3  
February 21, 2019 –  
Fran Haughian,  
Manager of  
Communications

**DAWSON CREEK HOME & LEISURE SHOW**

RD/19/02/25 (28)

MOVED Director Ackerman, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That all Board Directors be authorized to attend the Peace River Regional District (PRRD) booth at the Dawson Creek Home & Leisure Show to represent the PRRD as a public outreach from March 29-31, 2019.

**CARRIED.**

**REPORTS: (continued)**

- R-3 (continued)                    DAWSON CREEK HOME & LEISURE SHOW (continued)
- RD/19/02/26 (28)  
MOVED Director Ackerman, SECONDED Director Rose,  
That the North East BC Emergency and Public Alerts Program be promoted at  
the 2019 Dawson Creek Home & Leisure Show.
- CARRIED.**
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- R-4                                        CONTRACT EXTENSION – VIDEO RECORDING OF BOARD MEETINGS
- February 4, 2019 –  
Tyra Henderson,  
Corporate Officer
- RD/19/02/27 (28)  
MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Fraser,  
That the contract with Russell Eggleston Creative Services (dba  
Sound in Town) for the video recording of bi-monthly Board meetings, be  
renewed, effective April 1, 2019, for an additional one year term at a monthly  
cost of \$1700; further, that the Chair and Chief Administrative Officer be  
authorized to sign the agreement extension.
- CARRIED.**
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- R-5                                        NCLGA RESOLUTION – SEARCH AND RESCUE FUNDING
- February 19, 2019 –  
Tyra Henderson,  
Corporate Officer
- RD/19/02/28 (28)  
MOVED Director Fraser, SECONDED Director Courtoreille,  
That consideration of the February 19, 2019 report from the Corporate Officer  
regarding the North Central Local Government Association resolution on  
Search and Rescue Funding be deferred until after lunch.
- CARRIED.**
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- RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FEBRUARY 7, 2019 EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE MEETING
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- R-6                                        2019 EMERGENCY SERVICES BUDGET (Recommendation No. 1)
- February 12, 2019 –  
Trish Morgan,  
General Manager of  
Community Services  
and Deborah Jones-  
Middleton,  
Protective Services  
Manager
- The 2019 draft Emergency Services Budget was considered at the February 27,  
2019 Special Board meeting.
- 2019 FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT (Recommendation No. 2)
- RD/19/02/29 (28)  
MOVED Director Rose, SECONDED Director Hiebert,  
That the recommendations from the 2019 Flood Risk Assessment Report,  
dated January 23, 2019, prepared by DWB Consulting Services, be forwarded  
to the Electoral Area Directors’ Committee for consideration.
- CARRIED.**

**REPORTS: (continued)**

R-6 (continued)                    **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE SUPPORT (Recommendation No. 3)**

RD/19/02/30 (28)

MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Michetti,

That letters of appreciation be forwarded to all external staff that supported the Emergency Operations Centre between September 30 and December 2, 2018 during the Old Fort Landslide event.

**CARRIED.**

**IMPACTS OF EMERGENCY EVENTS ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
(Recommendation No. 4)**

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RD/19/02/31 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Goodings,

That, on behalf of the Regional District, a delegation consisting of the Chair, Chief Administrative Officer and General Manager of Community Services or designate, be authorized to meet with the Honourable Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Deputy Minister Becky Denlinger, Emergency Management, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, and the Honourable Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to discuss the detrimental impacts during emergency events on small local governments, including the diminished capacity to manage regular operations, inability to make decisions hindered by other agencies, and increased liability.

**CARRIED.**

R-7  
February 19, 2019 –  
Crystal Brown,  
Electoral Area  
Manager

**NCLGA RESOLUTION – UBCM CONVENTION LOCATION**

RD/19/02/32 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Bumstead,

**WHEREAS** holding the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) annual conference in Whistler and Victoria is cost prohibitive for many small local governments;

**AND WHEREAS** the additional travel required increases the carbon footprint for those who attend;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Central Local Government Association and UBCM request that future UBCM conventions be held exclusively in Vancouver, BC to reduce the carbon footprint and shorten travel times, and minimize travel costs for local government officials from across the province.

**CARRIED.**

**REPORTS: (continued)**

R-8  
February 14, 2019 –  
Michael Blatz, North  
Peace Land Use  
Planner

APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE ALR, PRRD FILE NO. 19-027  
(STADLER)

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RD/19/02/33 (28)  
MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Michetti,  
That the Regional Board support ALR Application 19-027 (Stadler, ALC File 58625) to subdivide Lot 4 Section 9 Township 85 Range 20 W6M Peace River PL 25380 in half, resulting in two 1.83 hectare (4.5 acre) residential lots; and authorize the application to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission.

**CARRIED.**

R-9  
January 25, 2019 –  
Kole Casey, South  
Peace Land Use  
Planner

APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE ALR, PRRD FILE NO. 18-333  
(CRANTZ)

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RD/19/02/34 (28)  
MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Rose,  
That the Regional Board support ALR Subdivision Application 18-333 to subdivide Lot 2, Section 27, Township 78, Range 16, W6M, PRD, Plan EPP62122 into 2 parcels, sized 2 hectares (5 acres) and 10.9 hectares (27 acres), and authorize the application to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission.

**CARRIED.**

Items R-10 (ALR Subdivision Application 18-332) and R-11 (ALR Non-Farm Use Application 18-328) were dealt with earlier in the meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FEBRUARY 21, 2019 INVASIVE PLANT COMMITTEE MEETING

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R-12  
February 21, 2019 –  
Paulo Eichelberger,  
General Manager of  
Environmental  
Services, and Kari  
Bondaroff,  
Environmental  
Services Manager

INVASIVE PLANT PROGRAM – 2018 ANNUAL REPORT AND 2019 STRATEGIC PLAN AND PROFILE (Recommendation No. 1)

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RD/19/02/35 (28)  
MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Bumstead,  
That publication of the Invasive Plant Program 2018 Annual Report and the 2019 Invasive Plant Program Strategic Plan and Profile to the Regional Districts website for stakeholders and agencies review and utilization for invasive plant program planning, be authorized; further, that the weblink be forwarded to significant stakeholders.

**CARRIED.**

**REPORTS: (continued)**

R-12 (continued)      **INVASIVE PLANT BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (Recommendation No. 2)**

RD/19/02/36 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Bumstead,

That a temporary position of “Invasive Plant Bylaw Enforcement Officer”, for a three month period in the summer/fall season of 2019, to deal specifically with compliance and enforcement issues under the Invasive Plant Program be authorized.

**CARRIED.**

**APPOINTMENT OF WEED INSPECTOR (Recommendation No. 3)**

RD/19/02/37 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Michetti,

That the Environmental Services Coordinator, be appointed as a “Weed Inspector” under Section 11.1.3 of the “Peace River Regional District Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 2042, 2012” in order to increase efficiencies in the field by assisting with inspections of reported invasive plant infestations.

**CARRIED.**

R-13  
February 22, 2019 –  
Crystal Brown,  
Electoral Area  
Manager

**GROUNDWATER LICENSING UPDATE**

RD/19/02/38 (28)

MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That the report dated February 22, 2019 from the Electoral Area Manager titled ‘Groundwater Licensing Update’, be received for discussion.

**CARRIED.**

Recess

The Chair recessed the meeting to luncheon at 11:59 a.m.

Reconvene

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

**DELEGATIONS:**

D-2  
Farmers’ Advocacy  
Office - Anne  
Clayton and Judi  
Leeming

**FARMERS’ ADVOCACY OFFICE (1:00 p.m.)**

The Farmers’ Advocacy Office (FAO) provided the Regional Board with its comments on the FAO Program Evaluation. Topics included:

- Client confidentiality
- Records management
- Stakeholder relationships
- Reporting requirements
- Memorandum of Understanding



**DELEGATIONS: (continued)**

D-2 (continued)

**FARMERS' ADVOCACY OFFICE (continued)**

A question and answer period ensued. Topics included:

- Program oversight
- Client assistance vs. representation
- Contract expiry
- Scope of service

Ms. Clayton noted that the FAO Office must give notice to their landlord by end of day or be responsible for April rent, possibly without a secure contract.

D-3

Agricultural Land  
Commission -  
Jennifer Dyson,  
Chair, and Kim  
Grout, CEO

**AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION UPDATE (1:30 p.m.)**

The Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) presented the Regional Board with an update on its activities. Topics included:

- Governance structure
- ALR / ALC Revitalization
- Minister's Independent Committee
- Top regional land use issues
- Residential use in the ALR / Non-adhering residential use
- Soil removal / fill placement
- Grandfathering for primary residence
- Changes to Bill 52
- Cannabis regulations

A question and answer period ensued. Topics included:

- Local government consultation
- Boundary review
- Agricultural succession planning
- ALC tour of Regional District

Recess

The Chair recessed the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Reconvene

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 2:42 p.m.

**REPORTS:**

R-14  
February 22, 2019 –  
Crystal Brown,  
Electoral Area  
Manager

**FSJ LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE PROJECT**

RD/19/02/39 (28)

MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That a letter be forwarded to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development to advise that the Regional Board wishes to participate in the update or rewrite of the FSJ Land and Resource Management Plan.

**CARRIED.**

R-5  
Tyra Henderson,  
Corporate Officer

**NCLGA RESOLUTION – SEARCH AND RESCUE FUNDING**

RD/19/02/40 (28)

MOVED Director Fraser, SECONDED Director Michetti,

**WHEREAS** Search and Rescue volunteers are key partners of the RCMP, BC Ambulance, Emergency Management BC, Fire Departments, and local governments during emergencies;

**AND WHEREAS** Search and Rescue organizations are spending an increasing percentage of their time fundraising to cover training and equipment costs to comply with training requirements and record keeping responsibilities they must meet under Emergency Management BC;

**AND WHEREAS** in February 2018, the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General approved in principle the development of a government administered framework model that provides for equitable allocation of a secure funding stream for BC Search and Rescue;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the North Central Local Government Association and UBCM request that the framework for a government administered fund for BC Search and Rescue be finalized by the Ministry of Public Safety & Solicitor General to provide secure funding and equitable allocation of funding to BC Search and Rescue so that they can continue to thrive and provide vital support in times of emergency using trained, skilled volunteers to protect the safety of the public.

**CARRIED.**

**BYLAWS:**

B-2  
February 11, 2019 -  
Michael Blatz, North  
Peace Land Use  
Planner

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN AND ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAWS NO. 2359 AND 2360, 2019 (POLLARD)  
RD/19/02/41 (28)  
MOVED Director Bumstead, SECONDED Director Hiebert,  
That the Regional Board has considered the requirements of s. 475 of the *Local Government Act* and has provided opportunity for early and ongoing consultation with those persons, organizations and authorities the Board considers will be affected as summarized in the planning report dated February 11, 2019; further that Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2359, 2019, to amend the designation of PID 028-875-214 from Low Density Rural Residential (LDR) to Medium Density Rural Residential (MDR), be read a first and second time; further that Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2360, 2019, to rezone the same property from R-5 (Residential 5 Zone) to R-4 (Residential 4 Zone), be read a first and second time; and finally, that that a public hearing, delegated to the Director of Electoral Area C, be scheduled.

**CARRIED.**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

The Board directed that the Spirit of the Peace Powwow, to be held June 6-8, 2019 in Taylor, BC, be added to the Schedule of Events.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

NB-1  
February 6, 2019 –  
Ministry of Public  
Safety & Solicitor  
General

OLD FORT LANDSLIDE – INVESTIGATION INTO CAUSE  
RD/19/02/42 (28)  
MOVED Director Rose, SECONDED Director Fraser,  
That the correspondence dated February 6, 2019 from the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General re: Old Fort landslide monitoring and cause investigation be received; further, that Chair be authorized to respond to request details on the scope of the investigation being conducted by the Ministry of Energy, Mines, and Petroleum Resources, to reiterate the PRRD position that the local government is not engaged in “ongoing management of the situation” as the slide originated on crown land and investigation, monitoring, and any mitigation efforts should not be the responsibility of local government.

**CARRIED.**

**DELEGATION:**

D-2  
Farmers' Advocacy  
Office - Anne  
Clayton and Judi  
Leeming

**FARMERS' ADVOCACY OFFICE**

RD/19/02/43 (28)

MOVED Director Bumstead, SECONDED Director Fraser,  
That the Farmers' Advocacy Office be provided with funding for office rent for  
the month of April, 2019.

**CARRIED.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

NB-3  
Director Goodings

**TREATY LAND ENTITLEMENT OPEN HOUSES**

RD/19/02/44 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Zabinsky,  
That Director Goodings be authorized to attend Treaty Land Entitlement  
meetings being held in Cecil Lake, Rose Prairie, Buick and Pink Mountain.

**CARRIED.**

NB-2  
Chair Sperling

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW RELATIONSHIP WITH FIRST NATIONS**

RD/19/02/45 (28)

MOVED Director Rose, SECONDED Director Bumstead,  
That the Regional Board support the City of Fort St. John resolution regarding  
the Memorandum of Understanding – Local Government Participation in the  
New Relationship with First Nations, at the 2019 North Central Local  
Government Association convention.

**CARRIED.**

NB-4  
Chair Sperling

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – 2019 DRAFT BUDGET**

RD/19/02/46 (28)

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Fraser,  
That a Special Board meeting be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 5, 2019  
for the purpose of further considering the 2019 draft budget.

**CARRIED.**

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

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RD/19/02/47 (28)

MOVED Director Michetti, SECONDED Director Hiebert,  
That the February 28, 2019 Consent Calendar be received.

**CARRIED.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

CERTIFIED a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District from a meeting held on February 28, 2019 in the Regional District Office Board Room, Dawson Creek, BC.

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Brad Sperling, Chair

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Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer