



# PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING** **MINUTES**

DATE: May 24, 2018

PLACE: North Peace Cultural Centre Carpet Room, Fort St. John, BC

PRESENT:

**Directors**

Chair Sperling, Electoral Area 'C'  
Vice-Chair Rose, Electoral Area 'E'  
Director Bumstead, City of Dawson Creek  
Director Fraser, District of Taylor  
Director Goodings, Electoral Area 'B'  
Director Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D'  
Director Johansson, District of Hudson's Hope  
Director McPherson, District of Tumbler Ridge  
Director Nichols, District of Chetwynd  
Director Stewart, City of Fort St. John

**Alternate Directors**

Alternate Director Evans, City of Fort St. John  
Alternate Director Lavoie, Village of Pouce Coupe

**Absent**

Director Ackerman, City of Fort St. John  
Director Michetti, Village of Pouce Coupe

**Staff**

Shawn Dahlen, Deputy 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  
Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager  
Claire Negrin, Planning Services Manager  
Brenda Deliman, Recording Secretary

**Delegations**

**4.1 BC Assessment Authority**

David Keough  
Tracey Love

**4.2 BC Oil and Gas Commission (BC OGC) and Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP)**

Deputy Minister Dave Nikolejsin, Ministry of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources  
Paul Jeakins, BC OGC  
James O'Hanley, BC OGC  
Lance Ollenberger, BC OGC  
Chris Montgomery, CAPP

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

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

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CW/18/05/01

MOVED Director Bumstead, SECONDED Director Nichols,  
That the Peace River Regional District Board agenda for the May 24, 2018  
Committee of the Whole meeting, including additional items for the agenda,  
be adopted as amended:

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Adoption of Agenda**
- 3. Gallery Comments or Questions**
- 4. Delegations**
  - 4.1 BC Assessment Authority  
Re: Overview of 2018 Assessment Roll  
David Keough, Deputy Assessor, Northern Region  
Tracey Love, Senior Appraiser
  - 4.2 BC Oil and Gas Commission (BC OGC) and Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP)  
Re: Issues Affecting the Regional District  
Deputy Minister Dave Nikolejsin, Ministry of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources  
Paul Jeakins, Commissioner and CEO (BC OGC)  
Chris Montgomery, Manager, Exploration & Production Engagement (CAPP)
- 5. Reports**
  - 5.1 May 11, 2018 - Chris Cvik, Chief Administrative Officer – PRRD  
Activity Update #9
- 6. New Business**
- 7. Media Questions**
- 8. Adjournment**

**CARRIED.**

Director Stewart entered the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

**DELEGATIONS:**

4.1

BC Assessment  
Authority - David  
Keough, Deputy  
Assessor, Northern  
Region, and Tracey  
Love, Senior  
Appraiser

**BC ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY**

The Committee of the Whole received an overview of the 2018 Assessment Roll from the BC Assessment Authority. Topics included:

- history of BC Assessment
- valuation of properties (actual value vs. market value)
- property classifications
- tax exemptions (statutory, permissive)
- assessment cycle and key dates
- property tax calculation
- tax impacts from assessed value changes
- 2018 Assessment Roll (provincial, PRRD)
- Assessment Roll comparison by property class / actual value

A question and answer period ensued. Topics included:

- farm folios with Petro sites (assessment / taxation)
- utilities property class (assessment / taxation)
- split classifications
- on site assessments (landowner notification)
- property improvements (notifications / fencing)

4.2

Deputy Minister  
Dave Nikolejsin,  
Ministry of Energy,  
Mines & Petroleum  
Resources, BC Oil &  
Gas Commission -  
Paul Jeakins, CEO  
and Commissioner,  
and Canadian  
Association of  
Petroleum  
Producers - Chris  
Montgomery,  
Manager,  
Exploration &  
Production  
Engagement

**IMPACTS OF OIL AND GAS ACTIVITY IN THE REGIONAL DISTRICT**

The Committee of the Whole entered into a discussion with Deputy Minister Dave Nikolejsin, Ministry of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources, and representatives from the BC Oil & Gas Commission and the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers regarding the impacts of oil and gas activity in the Regional District. Topics included:

- roles of the Ministry of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources and the BC Oil & Gas Commission
- quality of life issues (noise, dust, air quality, light)
- oil and gas producer groups and activity levels
- seismic activity
- Kiskatinaw Seismic Monitoring and Mitigation Area (KSMMA)
- proposed Synergy Group (long term residents, producer groups, local government)
- social well being
- consistent best practices
- hydraulic fracturing (water concerns)
- Farmer's Advocacy Office
- community benefits
- landowner relationships with producer groups
- provision of natural gas to rural areas

**DELEGATIONS: (continued)**

4.2 (continued)                    IMPACTS OF OIL AND GAS ACTIVITY IN THE REGIONAL DISTRICT (continued)

Deputy Minister Dave Nikolejsin, Ministry of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources, the Regional Board Committee of the Whole, and the BC Oil & Gas Commission agreed to work towards the establishment of a community led Synergy Group in the Regional District, with membership to include local residents, local government, and producer groups.

Recess                                    The Chair recessed the meeting to a Regional District Board meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Reconvene                              The Chair reconvened the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

**REPORTS:**

5.1                                        PRRD ACTIVITY UPDATE #9  
May 11, 2018 - Chris  
Cvik, Chief                              CW/18/05/02  
Administrative                         MOVED Director Nichols, SECONDED Director McPherson,  
Officer                                    That the report dated May 11, 2018 from the Chief Administrative Officer  
regarding PRRD Activity Update #9, be received for information.

**CARRIED.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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The Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

CERTIFIED a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District from a Committee of the Whole meeting held on May 24, 2018 in the North Peace Cultural Centre Carpet Room, Fort St. John, BC.	
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Brad Sperling, Chair	Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer