

Meeting Date: September 6, 2018

Location: Dawson Creek

# **Board Newsletter**

### **Search and Rescue Grants**

Search and Rescue grants were approved in the following amounts:

Chetwynd Search & Rescue Society \$ 342.66 Tumbler Ridge Search & Rescue Society \$ 334.00

### **Meeting with Agricultural Land Commission**

A meeting will be requested with the Agricultural Land Commission at the 2018 Union of BC Municipalities Convention to discuss oil and gas activity on agricultural land / farm income and the ALR Revitalization Committee findings and reporting.

### **RN/RPN Scholarship Program**

The PRRD Registered Nurse/Registered Psychiatric Nurse Scholarship Program is currently accepting applications. The RN/RPN scholarship provides up to six students with a \$5000 scholarship to assist with their final year of study. Students must enter an agreement to work for two years with Northern Health in the Peace River Regional District. Completed applications are to be returned to the Regional District by October 31st, 2018

## **Economic Development Grant Program**

The PRRD Economic Development grant program is currently accepting grant applications from registered BC non-profit societies in the region for economic development projects for the 2019 budget cycle. Applications may be considered for capital projects, events, and/or programs. Organizations may request multi-year funding for up to 3 years for ongoing projects/programs. Completed applications are to be returned to the Regional District by October 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Trails Grant Program**

The PRRD Trails Grant Program is currently accepting applications. The grant is to provide support and supplemental funding to non-profit organizations for the development, maintenance and improvement of recreational trails within the region for public use. Completed applications are to be returned to the Regional District by November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

# Charlie Lake Fire Department and Comprehensive Development Planning

- 1. The Regional District will enter into discussions with Brandt Tractor Ltd. to seek access to their water cistern for firefighting response.
- 2. The Regional District will enter into discussions with the City of Fort St. John regarding a Comprehensive Development Plan that would include not only zoning and land use matters but also the provision of services outside City boundaries, including but not limited to fire protection and water services.
- 3. The Regional District enter into discussions with the District of Taylor regarding the extension of Mutual Aid into the additional expansion areas.

### **FSJ Office Construction**

The Fort St. John office entry for the public is likely to be impacted for a couple days this month. The City of Fort St. John is upgrading the drainage, landscaping, and sidewalks. The project is scheduled to begin on September 11<sup>th</sup>, and it is anticipated that most of the work will completed by the end of September. People will be able to access the PRRD office through the entrance at the North Peace Arena (NPA) on the north side of the building and then come along to the office via the hall that links the two buildings. The entrance and parking at the NPA is fully accessible. For more information call 250-785-8084.

### **Non-Farm Use Application**

The James and Tanya Wilson non-farm use with in the ALR application, to add a telecommunications facility to their property will be deferred until a Public Information meeting has been held in Electoral Area 'E'.

### **September 27 Board Meeting Location Change**

The September 27, 2018 Regional Board meeting, previously scheduled to be held in Dawson Creek, BC, has been moved to the Northern Grand Hotel in Fort St. John, BC to accommodate Directors attendance at the grand opening of Margaret "Ma" Murray Community School.

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