



Board Newsletter

Meeting Date: February 22, 2018

Location: Dawson Creek

Budget Open Houses CANCELLED

The DRAFT 2018 Financial Plan is available to view on line as part of the February 21 Special Budget Meeting Agenda, and at the PRRD Dawson Creek and Fort St. John office. An updated bylaw will be available on the March 8th Board Meeting agenda.

Delegations

BC Hydro Peace Region Electricity Supply Project

Charles Young, Project Manager and Megan Harris, Stakeholder Engagement Lead for the project gave an overview of the project, what alternatives were considered and timelines. The final decision by BC Hydro Board of Directors will be in spring 2018 on whether to implement the project.

Alaska Highway Community Society Nomination Project Update

April Moi, Bud Powell, and Heather Sjoblom, updated the Board on some of the 2017 highlights of the project: A First Nations Storytelling Project; hosted workshops for key stakeholders; ongoing development and maintenance of www.ouralaskahighway.com; documentation of tourism and other uses along the highway used for the Alaska Highway Heritage Project and Destination BC's Destination Development Program, and continued engagement with all Northeast communities and First Nations.

Contract Awards

The Regional Board authorized the following contract awards-

- GHD Inc to design, prepare construction documents and provide tender services, contract administration, and construction oversight for the construction of Bessborough Landfill Phase 3B cell for \$25,012 (excluding taxes) and Phase 1 cell in 2019 at a cost of \$25,012 (excluding taxes); and to Prepare an Environmental Management Plan for Bessborough Landfill at a cost of \$2,936 (excluding taxes); and to prepare of a Leachate Management Plan for Bessborough Landfill at a cost of \$34,279 (excluding taxes).
- GHD Inc. for technical oversight and data management for the operation and maintenance of the gas collection and control system at the North Peace Regional Landfill at

a cost of \$39,635 (excluding taxes).

3. Epscan Industries Ltd. for the monitoring, inspection, and routine maintenance during 2018 for the operation and maintenance of the gas collection and control system at the North Peace Regional Landfill at an estimated cost of \$32,883 (excluding taxes).

3. GHD Inc. to design and administer the contract for the Bessborough Landfill to provide technical oversight and data management for the operation and maintenance of the gas.

4. Adlard Environmental in the amount of \$79,280, excluding taxes, to cover Grant Writing services for the Peace River Regional District, specifically Electoral Areas B, C, D, E; Hudson's Hope; and Taylor. The Grant Writer contract will be funded in the 2018 Budget under the Economic Development Function. Participating members will contribute based on population and assessment.

Presentations

Blackfoot Regional and Montney Park DRAFT Plan- Jana Zelenski, of Lanarc consultants outlined the findings of the 2017 parks consultation undertaken by her firm. To view findings go to

<http://prrd.bc.ca/board/agendas/2018/2018-06-670227041/AGENDA.html>

PRRD Operational Review and Efficiency Audit- Oscar Poloni, from KPMG outlined the findings of the audit undertaken in 2017.

The PRRD compares favourably to selected comparator regional districts. PRRD employees have a good level of engagement with the organization. The PRRD has limited exposure to risk from a succession planning perspective.



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Next PRRD Board Meeting:

March 8, 2018 Dawson Creek

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