



Board Newsletter

Meeting Date: March 8, 2018

Location: Dawson Creek

Delegations

Telus

Lance MacDonald, General Manager of Northern BC, Ben Bajaj, Director of Performance Management, Caghan Bonnough, Marketing Manager, Davide Loro, Service Manager and Tyler Mooi, Senior Strategy Manager from Telus updated the Board on its operations in the PRRD. They also discussed potential expansion of services, rural telephone outages and internet and Telus PureFibre expansion into the rural areas.



Farmers Advocate Office (FAO) Judi Leeming from the FAO office and Anne Clayton from Aspen Grove Properties made a presentation on the future of the FAO. They outlined services and clients served to date; which included sharing information, advocating for landowners, providing access to a meeting room, commissioner and providing advice. They requested that the Board consider a two year contract extension , an expansion in services to include assistance with other land issues, such as wind towers, non-oil and gas hydro lines, road rights of way and that the PRRD consider solely funding the service, rather than jointly with the BC Government, for greater flexibility in serving landowners

Fire Protection

Taylor Rural Fire Protection Agreement

The Regional Board entered into a 1 year agreement, which was effective January 1, 2018, with the District of Taylor for the provision of rural fire protection services.

Expanding Fire Protection Areas

The Regional Board directed staff to initiate discussions with the City of Dawson Creek to determine its interest in providing fire protection services to the Briar Ridge and South Dawson rural areas to determine the estimated resources and costs that would be required to provide the service.

Letters of Support & Community Grants

The Board supported the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust from the Dawson Creek Ski and Recreation Association for a grant of up to \$50,000 for the Snow Making Pipeline Replacement Project.

A Special Event Grant was approved for \$2,500 to the Peace Liard Regional Arts Council to host the Words North Festival from September 27 to September 30, 2018.

A Special Events grant was approved for \$3,500 to the BC Peace Predators for the purpose of hosting the Female Peewee Provincials from March 22 to 25, 2018 in Dawson Creek.

The Board authorized a grant of \$75,000 to the South Peace Health Services Society for the purpose of operating programs to recruit and retain health care professionals in the South Peace.

Zoning Amendment

The Board adopted the Brian and Marierose Baker application to rezone a portion of the subject’s property from R-3 “Residential 3 Zone” to I-1 “Light/Service Industrial” in Grandhaven in Electoral Area C.

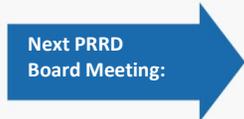
North Pine Tower

The Board authorized staff be to negotiate agreements with secondary users currently renting or intending to rent space on the North Pine Tower, subject to the results of the wind-loading study.



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