

Board Newsletter

Meeting Date: June 28, 2018 Location: Dawson Creek

Health Care Assistant Scholarships



Chair Sperling, Dr. Bryn Kulmatycki, NLC President and CEO, and Kim McPhedron, NLC Foundation Executive Director, presented Clyde Rhett Viterbo one of the 2018 Health Care Assistant Scholarships

The Health Care Assistant Scholarship provides \$1,000 for up to 20 students who successfully complete the Health Care Assistant program offered through Northern Lights College. The student has to have lived in the Regional District for 2.5 years prior to entering the Health Care Assistant program.

2018 recipients of the Health Care Assistant Scholarship are: Lalaine Cayanan, Talia Huk, Dinil Joseph, Kadian Myles Thompson, Mary Ann Papio, Dorothy Pega, Karen Perry, Jordan Regino, Michelle Smith, Clyde Rhett Viterbo, and Nina Wideman.

Solid Waste Contracts

The Board authorized the following contracts:

- 1. The North Peace Regional Landfill 2018 Gas Collection and Control System Expansion Contract was awarded to Knappett Industries at a cost of \$275,628 (excluding taxes).
- 2. The Hudson's Hope Transfer Station Site Attendant Contract was awarded to Carol Johnson, for a one (1) year term, for an annual amount of \$54,000 (monthly rate of \$4,500), (excluding taxes); with an hourly rate for extra work at \$30 for the duration of the contract.
- 3. \$8,400 was approved for an additional part-time attendant at the Dawson Creek Transfer Station to assist the regular attendant during the seasonal hours of operation 7 days a week for the period of May 1 to September 30, 2018, only.

Delegations - Geoscience BC

Carlos Salas and Richard Truman updated the Board on the Geoscience BC Peace Region Project. The regional groundwater mapping is complete. The Peace Regional Groundwater Monitoring Project is still in progress. In phase one, previous water studies and existing groundwater quality data were reviewed. In phase 2 Geoscience is seeking to understand the base level Oil &Gas (O&G) activity in 8 areas. In phase three 22 new scientifically designed monitoring wells will be installed near O&G developments.

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

The Regional Board received an update from Katherina Styba about projects in the Peace region. Many of the resurfacing, bridge and construction projects are well underway. Ms. Styba also updated the Board on projects underway or planned for 2010, as part of the recovery from flooding in the region the Chetwynd and Dawson Creek areas in 2016.

Caribou Conservation and Recovery

The Regional Board authorized waiving the purchase policy to enter into a contract with Mr. Mike Preston, M.Sc., R.P.Bio. Senior Wildlife Biologist, Technical Lead, Stantec, at a cost up to \$50,000. Mr. Preston will produce a report on the potential socio-economic effects of further protecting caribou habitat in the South Peace Region, and providing some potential solutions.

Rural Learn to Swim Program

The Regional Board authorized a multi-year grant commitment in the amount of \$10,000 per year for three years starting in 2018 to School District No. 59 to assist with the transportation costs of the Rural Learn to Swim program.

Chetwynd Library Design Contract Award

The Chetwynd Library Architectural and Construction Services contract was awarded to m2 Architecture Inc., in the amount of \$179,807.36 (excluding taxes and disbursements).

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