

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**

**MEETING NO. 7**

**Thursday, May 25, 2017**

**PRESENT:** Chair Bill Miller

Directors Taylor Bachrach  
Eileen Benedict  
Shane Brienens  
Mark Fisher  
Tom Greenaway  
John Illes  
Dwayne Lindstrom  
Thomas Liversidge  
Rob MacDougall  
Rob Newell  
Mark Parker  
Jerry Petersen  
Darcy Repen  
Gerry Thiessen

Staff Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer  
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services  
Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services – arrived at 11:12 a.m., left at 11:38 a.m.  
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning – arrived at 11:12 a.m.  
Rory McKenzie, Director of Environmental Services – arrived at 11:12 a.m., left at 11:38 a.m.  
Roxanne Shepherd, Chief Financial Officer  
Corrine Swenson, Manager of Regional Economic Development – left at 12:30 p.m.  
Deneve Vanderwolf, Regional Transit Coordinator – arrived at 11:02 a.m., left at 11:04 a.m.  
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

**CALL TO ORDER** Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

**AGENDA & SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA** Moved by Director MacDougall  
Seconded by Director Petersen

2017-7-1 “That the agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board meeting of May 25, 2017 be approved; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be received and dealt with at this meeting.”

(All/Directors/Majority) **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MINUTES**

Board Meeting Minutes -April 20, 2017 Moved by Director Illes  
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2017-7-2 “That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2017 be adopted.”

(All/Directors/Majority) **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **MINUTES (CONT'D)**

### **Special Board Meeting Minutes May 11, 2017**

Moved by Director Petersen  
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2017-7-3

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2017 be adopted."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Committee Meeting Minutes**

Moved by Director Benedict  
Seconded by Director Newell

2017-7-4

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Committee Meeting Minutes:

- Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes
  - April 20, 2017 (Unapproved);
- Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
  - April 6, 2017;
- Regional Transit Committee Meeting Minutes
  - April 20, 2017 (Unapproved);
- Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes
  - May 11, 2017 (Unapproved);
- Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes
  - April 6, 2017;
- Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes
  - April 6, 2017 (Unapproved);
- Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes
  - September 8, 2016."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

### **Royal Canadian Legion -Military Service Recognition Book**

Moved by Director Greenaway  
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2017-7-5

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Manager of Administrative Services' May 12, 2017 memo titled "Royal Canadian Legion – Military Service Recognition Book."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **FCM's Legal Defense Fund Contribution**

Moved by Director Fisher  
Seconded by Director Repen

2017-7-6

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer's May 15, 2017 memo titled "FCM's Legal Defense Fund Contribution."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)**

FCM'S Legal Defense Fund  
Contribution

Moved by Director Bachrach  
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2017-7-7

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize the RDBN contribute \$500 to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Legal Defense Fund."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Municipal Finance Authority's  
Socially Responsible Investing  
(SRI) Fund

Moved by Director Thiessen  
Seconded by Director Fisher

2017-7-8

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize Directors Thiessen and Bachrach and staff to complete the Municipal Finance Authority's Socially Responsible Investing Survey including the comment that the RDBN Board of Directors supports the creation of a Socially Responsible Investing (SRI) Fund but is unable to currently contribute to the fund; and further, that the survey be brought forward to the RDBN Board of Directors for ratification at the June 8, 2017 RDBN Special Board meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place in regard to various priorities for fund investments.

Chinook Comfor Limited  
March 30, 2017 Shareholders'  
Resolution

Moved by Director Benedict  
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-7-9

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors defer the Chief Financial Officer's May 17, 2017 memo titled "Chinook Comfor Limited March 30, 2017 Shareholders' Resolution to a future meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

Committee Meeting  
Recommendations  
-April 20 & May 11, 2017

Moved by Director MacDougall  
Seconded by Director Parker

2017-7-10

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve Recommendations 1 through 15 as written

**Agriculture Committee Meeting – April 20, 2017**

**Recommendation 1:**

**Re: Write a Letter of Support RE: Shavings for the  
Agriculture and Cattle Industry**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support to the Agriculture and Cattle Industry to be provided a secure long term supply of shavings to ensure a healthy and sustainable cattle industry; and further, that the letter be provided to sawmills and pellet plants throughout the region."

## **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)**

### **Regional Transit Committee Meeting – April 20, 2017**

#### **Recommendation 2:**

#### **Re: Implementation Memorandum of Understanding**

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve and execute the Implementation Memorandum of Understanding between BC Transit and the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako.”

### **Rural Directors Committee Meeting – May 11, 2017**

#### **Recommendation 3:**

#### **Re: Connectivity Project**

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the Connectivity in the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Project.

Further, that the RDBN Board of Directors submit an application for \$10,000 to the Rural Dividend Fund;

And further, that it approve contributing up to \$15,000 towards the project and agrees to enter into a contract with the Province if the application is approved.”

#### **Recommendation 4:**

#### **Re: Smithers Public Library -Request for Grant in Aid - Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural)**

“That the Smithers Public Library be given \$1,500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural) for costs associated with its Summer Reading Club.”

#### **Recommendation 5:**

#### **Re: RDBN Business Forum-Request for Grant in Aid - Electoral Areas “B” (Burns Lake Rural) and “E” (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural)**

“That the RDBN Business Forum be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from each of Electoral Areas “B” (Burns Lake Rural) and “E” (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) to sponsor the Business Forum Gala Dinner.”

#### **Recommendation 6:**

#### **Re: Lakes District Secondary School-Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake Rural)**

“That the Lakes District Secondary School be given \$500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake Rural) for costs associated with the Mountain Bike Team attending Provincial Championships in Cumberland, B.C.”

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)**

**Rural Directors Committee Meeting – May 11, 2017 (Cont'd)**

**Recommendation 7:**

**Re: Music on the Mountain Society-Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)**

“That the Music on the Mountain Society be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for costs associated with the 2017 Music on the Mountain Festival.”

**Recommendation 8:**

**Re: Stuart Lake Seniors’ Association-Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)**

“That the Stuart Lake Seniors’ Association be given \$500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for costs associated with its Strawberry Tea.”

**Recommendation 9:**

**Re: Fraser Lake Festival of the Arts- Request for Grant in Aid– Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural)**

“That the Fraser Lake Festival of the Arts be given \$2,500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural) for costs associated with the Fraser Lake Festival of the Arts.”

**Recommendation 10:**

**Re: Nechako Valley Community Alliance - Request for Grant in Aid– Electoral Area “F” (Vanderhoof Rural)**

“That the Nechako Valley Community Alliance be given \$500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “F” (Vanderhoof Rural) to install the pottery kiln and exhibition wall hanging equipment in the Integris Community Centre Art Wing.”

**Recommendation 11:**

**Re: Vanderhoof Children’s Theatre - Request for Grant in Aid– Electoral Area “F” (Vanderhoof Rural)**

“That the Vanderhoof Children’s Theatre be given \$4,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “F” (Vanderhoof Rural) for costs associated with its Seussical Production.”

**Recommendation 12:**

**Re: College of New Caledonia- Request for Grant in Aid– Electoral Area “G” (Houston Rural)**

“That the College of New Caledonia be given \$2,321.17 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “G” (Houston Rural) for costs associated with its Seniors Painting Retreat in Granisle.”

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)**

**Rural Directors Committee Meeting – May 11, 2017 (Cont'd)**

**Recommendation 13:**

**Re: Bulkley Valley Co-Existence Discussions -Request for Grant in Aid -Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural)**

"That the Bulkley Valley Co-Existence Discussions be given \$400 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural) to be utilized to cover the cost of the Bulkley Valley Co-Existence Meeting."

**Recommendation 14:**

**Re: Bulkley Valley Co-Existence Meeting, Smithers – May 18, 2017**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize Chair Miller and Director Parker's attendance at the Bulkley Valley Co-Existence Meeting in Smithers on May 18, 2017."

**Committee of the Whole Meeting – May 11, 2017**

**Recommendation 15:**

**Re: Community to Community Forum Facilitators**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize staff to retain the services of Dan George, Four Directions Management Services Ltd. to facilitate the Community to Community Forum for June 28, 2017 to be hosted at the Nadleh Whut'en Administrative Building; and further, if Mr. George is unable to facilitate, staff is directed to choose a second facilitator."

Moved by Director Benedict  
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-7-11

"That Motion 2017-7-10 be amended as follows:

**Recommendation 13:**

**Re: Bulkley Valley Co-Existence Discussions -Request for Grant in Aid -Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural)**

"That the Bulkley Valley Co-Existence Discussions be given \$500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural) to be utilized to cover the cost of the Bulkley Valley Co-Existence Meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

"That the question be called on Motion 2017-7-10 as amended."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place in regard to Recommendation 3: Connectivity Project. Melany de Weerd, CAO explained that the ability to proceed prior to knowing the outcome of the Rural Dividend Grant Application is an option. She also provided an outline of the RDBN Special Projects Budget.

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)**

Transit Service Agreement Moved by Director Illes  
Annual Operating Agreement Seconded by Director Fisher

2017-7-12

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors defer the Regional Transit Coordinator's May 15, 2017 memo titled "Transit Service Agreement, Annual Operating Agreement" to a future meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Federal Gas Tax Funds Moved by Director Fisher  
Electoral Area "A" (Smithers  
Rural) – Town of Smithers Seconded by Director Bachrach

2017-7-13

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize contributing \$10,000 of Electoral Area "A" Federal Gas Tax allocation monies to the Town of Smithers towards the capital leasing costs of the Smithers and area transit buses;

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. That the RDBN Board of Directors authorize the withdrawal of up to \$10,000 from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund."

(Participants/Weighted/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Federal Gas Tax Funds Moved by Director Fisher  
Electoral Area "A" (Smithers  
Rural) – Bulkley Valley Aquatic  
Centre Management Society Seconded by Director Repen

2017-7-14

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize contributing \$22,495 of Electoral Area "A" Federal Gas Tax allocation monies to the Bulkley Valley Aquatic Centre Management Society for a Community Energy Systems/Recreation Infrastructure project located at the Bulkley Valley Regional Pool in Smithers;

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. That the RDBN Board of Directors authorize the withdrawal of up to \$22,495 from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund."

(Participants/Weighted/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)**

RDBN-Northern Development  
Application – Marketing  
Initiative Program

Moved by Director MacDougall  
Seconded by Director Fisher

2017-7-15

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors:  
1. Support the Connecting Consumers and Producers Regional Agriculture Brochure application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust – Marketing Initiatives Program in the amount of \$3,643.  
2. Authorize entering into an agreement for funding of the Connecting Consumers and Producers Regional Agriculture Brochure project with Northern Development Initiative Trust, should the funding request be successful.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bulkley Valley Agriculture  
and Industrial Association  
-Northern Development  
Application –North West RAC

Moved by Director Fisher  
Seconded by Director Repen

2017-7-16

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors support the Bulkley Valley Agricultural and Industrial Association application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust – Fabulous Festivals and Events in the amount of \$2,500.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Vanderhoof Community  
Foundation – Northern  
Development Application  
–Prince George RAC  
-RDBN, Electoral Area “F”

Moved by Director Petersen  
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2017-7-17

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors support the RDBN, Electoral Area F’s application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust – Community Foundation Matching Grants in the amount of \$25,000 for support of the Vanderhoof Community Foundation.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Withdrawal from Development  
Services Capital Reserve  
-Plotter Purchase

Moved by Director Greenaway  
Seconded by Director Benedict

2017-7-18

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer’s April 28, 2017 memo titled “Withdrawal from Development Services Capital Reserve” and authorize the withdrawal of \$18,387.95 from the capital reserve.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)**

### **Round Lake Dry Hydrant Security Issuing Bylaw 1791**

Moved by Director Repen  
Seconded by Director Fisher

2017-7-19

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer's May 8, 2017 memo titled "Round Lake Dry Hydrant Security Issuing Bylaw 1791"; and, give three readings and adoption to Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Security Issuing – Round Lake Fire Protection Service Bylaw No. 1791, 2017 further in the agenda."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Administration Reports**

Moved by Director Newell  
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2017-7-20

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Administration Reports:

-Manager of Administrative Services:

– Items to be Brought Forward to the Public Agenda from Special (In-Camera) Meeting;

-2017 UBCM Resolution Deadline;

-Chief Financial Officer:

- Items to be Brought Forward to the Public Agenda from Special (In-Camera) Meeting May 11, 2017;

-Report on 2016 Short Term Investments;

-Emergency Services Manager – Monthly 9-1-1 Call Report – April, 2017."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

### **Paint, Pesticides and Flammable Liquids Collection Revenue Report**

Moved by Director Bachrach  
Seconded by Director Brienen

2017-7-21

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Environmental Services Coordinator's May 15, 2017 memo titled "Paint, Pesticides and Flammable Liquids Collection Revenue Report."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place in regard to providing an opportunity for the Smithers and Area Recycling Society (S.A.R.S.) to expand its ability for collection while the RDBN meets its legislative requirements and contract commitments with Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Stewardship organizations. The opportunity for S.A.R.S. to enter into an agreement with the RDBN to provide recycling initiatives and services in comparison to other recycling organizations in the RDBN was also discussed. Staff have discussed the possibilities with S.A.R.S. Directors Fisher, Bachrach and Repen spoke of the benefit of working together and building a partnership. Director Fisher mentioned that the Solid Waste Management Plan review process will provide an opportunity to review the waste being diverted from the RDBN Transfer Stations and Landfills.

## ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

### Paint, Pesticides and Flammable Liquids Collection Revenue Report

Moved by Director Repen  
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2017-7-22

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to:

- a. Request from the Smithers and Area Recycling Society (S.A.R.S) an updated Business Plan with financial information that supports a sustainable business; and
- b. Work with S.A.R.S. to negotiate an agreement that will be finalized to provide a cost contribution for recycling initiatives and services in comparison to other recycling organizations in the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako that complies with legislation and does not contravene the requirements of the Stewardship programs.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Public Report – Climate Actions Summary 2016

Moved by Director MacDougall  
Seconded by Director Brien

2017-7-23

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Environmental Services Assistant’s May 15, 2017 memo titled “Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Public Report – Climate Actions Survey 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Bachrach spoke to the lack of incentives for RDBN Directors to carpool to a meeting or event. He noted that the individual that provides the vehicle is given an allowance for kilometres travelled but no incentive for passengers in a car pooling arrangement. He spoke of the potential cost savings in creating a car pool incentive program wherein the vehicle owner and passengers receive an allowance. Concerns were raised in regard to scheduling issues. Chair Miller spoke of the option for carpooling if the opportunity arises. Discussion took place in regard to compensation for travel time. Director Fisher mentioned the benefit of having further discussion in regard to carpooling targets. Director Thiessen spoke to staff bringing forward a report providing an outline of possible carpooling targets.

Discussion took place about reducing greenhouse gas emissions in regard to heating the Bulkley Valley Pool. Director Bachrach spoke to the challenges of moving forward with heating initiatives for the Bulkley Valley Pool. Director Repen mentioned that along with Director Fisher and Town of Smithers Councillor Brienesse they have emphasized that the proposed Facility Condition Review for the Bulkley Valley Pool contain an energy efficiency review. He noted the challenges in regard to four of the buildings that could be part of an energy efficiency project along with the Bulkley Valley Pool not being owned by the RDBN

**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (CONT'D)**

but the Town of Smithers and School District 54 Bulkley Valley.

Chair Miller suggested that a further discussion at a Committee of the Whole Meeting in regard to the CARIP Report may be beneficial. Further discussion by Directors directly involved and impacted by the Bulkley Valley Pool would be advantageous.

Roxanne Shepherd, Chief Financial Officer mentioned that the Bulkley Valley Pool Manager has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Facility Condition Assessment and is currently developing an RFP for an Energy Assessment study that will be released at the close of the Facility Condition Assessment RFP. The studies will be a component of the RDBN's Asset Management planning.

Moved by Director Bachrach  
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2017-7-24

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to bring forward a report including recommendations in regard to a carpooling incentive for RDBN Directors."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (All Directors)**

**ALR APPLICATIONS**

ALR Application No. 1192  
(Redekop) Subdivision within  
the ALR, Electoral Area "F"

Moved by Director Petersen  
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2017-7-25

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors not authorize the submission of Agricultural Land Reserve Subdivision Application No. 1192 to the Agricultural Land Commission."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEMO**

Coastal Gaslink Pipeline  
Referral

Moved by Director Repen  
Seconded by Director Newell

2017-7-26

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to send a letter to the Oil and Gas Commission (OGC) and TransCanada stating the Board's letter dated March 13, 2017 is the Board's response to all renewal referrals for the Coastal Gaslink Pipeline Project and the Prince Rupert Gas Transmission Project; and further that an invitation be provided to TransCanada and the OGC to attend a future Regional Board meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEMO (CONT'D)**

Frustrations were expressed in regard to TransCanada's response to the request for information concerning their proposed work camps.

Land use development tools that the Regional District can utilize in regard to proposed work camp development areas was discussed. Approximately half of the Coastal GasLink Pipeline proposed work camps are on zoned lands. The Prince Rupert Gas Transmission Pipeline proposed work camps are located in more remote areas. TransCanada has indicated they don't want to submit a Temporary Use Permit Application prior to hiring a contractor to build the pipeline. Staff raised concerns in regard to the timeline that may be created and liquid waste disposal. Discussion took place in regard to options to build possible legacies for communities in regard to future liquid waste management.

**ELECTORAL AREA PLANNING (All Directors)**

**MEMO**

Joint OCP Review Process for  
Electoral Area "D" and the  
Village of Fraser Lake

Moved by Director Parker  
Seconded by Director Lindstrom

2017-7-27

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the work plan and consultation checklist for the Area D OCP review, identified as Appendices A and B.

(Participants/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve entering into the contract, attached to the staff report dated May 12, 2017 as Appendix C, with the Village of Fraser Lake."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BYLAWS FOR THIRD READING**

Rezoning File No. A-03-16  
Phil's Boxes Ltd.  
Electoral Area "A"

Moved by Director Fisher  
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2017-7-28

1. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Report of the Public Hearing for "Smithers Telkwa Rural Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1786, 2016" and "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1787, 2016".

2. That "Smithers Telkwa Rural Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1786, 2016" and "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1787, 2016" be given third reading this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.

3. That should Bylaws Nos. 1786 and 1787, 2016 be supported at 3<sup>rd</sup> reading, final reading not be considered until the applicant

**BYLAWS FOR THIRD READING (CONT'D)**

has the attached Section 219 Covenant registered on the title of the property legally described as Lot B, Section 14, Township 1A, Range 5, Coast District, Plan EPP25548, Except Plan EPP42191 to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rezoning File No. A-04-17  
Cynthia Cardinal  
Electoral Area “A”

Moved by Director Fisher  
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2017-7-29

1. “That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Report of the Public Hearing for “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1799, 2017.”
2. “That “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1799, 2017” be given third reading and adoption this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

Equity Mine Emergency  
Response Plan

Moved by Director Newell  
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2017-7-30

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Director of Protective Services’ May 14, 2017 memo titled “Equity Mine Emergency Response Plan.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Newell thanked staff for the information and spoke to the lack of response from the Ministry of Energy and Mines and Minister Responsible for Core Review. Director Fisher suggested that the Ministry of Energy and Mines staff be invited to attend a future RDBN Board meeting. Director Fisher noted he would also like to discuss cumulative impacts associated with gravel extraction in Electoral Area “A”.

Emergency Event Response  
Update

Moved by Director Brien  
Seconded by Director Repen

2017-7-31

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Emergency Services Manager’s May 15, 2017 memo titled “Emergency Event Response Updates.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**PROTECTIVE SERVICES (CONT'D)**

Cluculz Lake Volunteer  
Fire Department

Moved by Director Petersen  
Seconded by Director Parker

2017-7-32

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors

1. Renew the Contribution Agreement between the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako and the Cluculz Lake Fire Department for a term not exceeding 1 year.
2. Include a clause in the agreement that states a re-assessment will be conducted in one years' time to determine if a training program has been established, as well as essential equipment acquired and maintained.
3. Include a clause that states the Department will not perform fire suppression activities that are outside of their current skill level, or outside the limits of their current equipment when responding to calls.
4. Staff investigate the authority responsible for Cluculz Lake Fire Department and the associated liability.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OTHER (All Directors)**

Planning Department  
Reports and Correspondence

Moved by Director MacDougall  
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-7-33

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Planning Department Reports:

- Planning Department Enquiries Report – April 2017;
- Building Inspector's Report -April, 2017;
- Owner Building Authorizations and Meeting with the Building Safety Standards Branch (BSSB),”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEMOS**

Building Inspection Service to  
the Village of Telkwa

Moved by Director Repen  
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2017-7-34

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize the RDBN to enter into an agreement with the Village of Telkwa for the provision of building inspection services, as outlined in the May 15, 2017 staff report from the Director of Planning.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MEMOS (CONT'D)**

Planning Department  
Reports and Correspondence

Moved by Director Illes  
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2017-7-35

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Planning Department Reports:

-Action List – April 2017;

**Correspondence:**

-Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project RE: Proposed Huckleberry Multi-Use Site;  
-Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Natural Gas Development and Minister Responsible for Housing."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**VERBAL REPORTS**

Village of Burns Lake  
-Charitable Tax Receipts

Director Illes mentioned that the Village of Burns Lake Council has concerns in regard to the issuance of Charitable Tax Receipts to local organizations and individuals and has stopped issuing receipts. The Village of Burns Lake is currently researching their options to develop a policy. They have received a number of complaints from organizations and individuals since the announcement that they will no longer provide Charitable Tax Receipts at this time.

Endako Mines – Update

Director Lindstrom reported that an Endako Mines representative attended the Village of Fraser Lake Council meeting and provided an update. Endako Mine is currently under a care and maintenance shutdown and there are currently eight people on staff. They will be hiring two more individuals and have received over 100 applications for the two positions. They have also planted more grass surrounding the tailings ponds to mitigate and contain the dust.

Bulkley Valley Co-existence  
Workshop – May 18, 2017  
-Smithers

Director Parker mentioned that he attended the Bulkley Valley Co-existence Workshop in Smithers, May 18, 2017 hosted by Director Fisher. He noted that the discussion in regard to genetically modified organisms vs. non-genetically modified organisms (GMO's) was very beneficial. There was a good cross section of individuals in attendance in regard to GMO vs. Non-GMO farming practices. Director Parker will bring forward further information at a future Agriculture Committee meeting.

Director Fisher commented that Brent Barclay, Regional Manager, Interior, Ministry of Agriculture was in attendance and it was beneficial to have his input. Director Fisher mentioned that the workshop provided a good opportunity for open communication and discussion.

**VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)**

Juvenile Sturgeon Release  
into the Nechako River

Director Thiessen attended the juvenile sturgeon release into the Nechako River at Riverside Park on May 11, 2017. In attendance were the Honourable Shirley Bond, Minister of Jobs, Tourism & Skills Training & Minister Responsible for Labour, Todd Doherty, MP Cariboo-Prince George and Art Kaehn, Chair Regional District of Fraser-Fort George. Rio Tinto was also in attendance.

Director Thiessen along with his children and grandchildren spent last evening assisting and stirring spawning sturgeon eggs.

Physician Recruitment  
-District of Vanderhoof

Director Thiessen mentioned that two physicians have been recruited for the District of Vanderhoof in the coming year. Work is also continuing in regard to the recruitment of a surgeon for St. John Hospital.

District of Vanderhoof Raising  
Concerns in Regard to Drugs  
and Crime in the Community

Director Thiessen noted that the District of Vanderhoof has raised concerns in regard to the drugs and crime in the community and a recent drug seizure where a number of individuals were arrested. The District of Vanderhoof has written a letter in the past to the courts in regard to expelling individuals from the community.

He also spoke to concerns in regard to the opioid crisis that is occurring and the need for further discussion to be proactive.

Softwood Lumber Agreement  
Meeting

Director Thiessen commented that Chair Miller organized a meeting in Terrace during the 2017 NCLGA Convention May 3-5, 2017. He noted the importance of being proactive in regard to the potential impacts of the softwood lumber agreement to the region. He mentioned the need to invite John Brink, Brink Forest Products Ltd. to a future RDBN Meeting.

District of Fort St. James Fire  
Chief Steps Down

Director MacDougall mentioned that the District of Fort St. James Fire Chief recently stepped down and they are in the process of hiring a replacement.

District of Fort St. James  
Welcomes Syrian Family

Director MacDougall spoke of the volunteer community members in the District of Fort St. James that have worked to bring a Syrian refugee family to the community.

Invasive Weeds in Seymour  
Lake in Electoral Area "A"  
(Smithers Rural)

Director Fisher commented that he has been working with residents living near Seymour lake in Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural) that is considering a service area to mitigate the invasive weeds that are overrunning the lake.

## **VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)**

### Cycle 16 Bike Trail Group

Director Fisher noted that he along with RDBN staff, has been working with the Cycle 16 Bike Trail Group in Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural).

Director Fisher commented the benefits of RDBN staff working and building relationships in Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural) and he has received comments and input in regard to it being very helpful for community members. He also thanked Director Parker for attending and providing assistance at the Bulkley Valley Co-existence workshop.

### Northwest Community College Closes in Houston

Director Brienien mentioned that Northwest Community College (NWCC) announced that it would be closing its campus in Houston. He stated that the community is in the process of determining next steps as a number of programs were linked to NWCC, the high school, alternate school and Houston Link to Learning.

### Bulkley Valley District Hospital Mammography Unit

Director Bachrach reported that the Bulkley Valley District Hospital is in need of a new digital mammography unit. The current analog machine is at the end of its life. Northern Health is replacing analog mammography units in Prince Rupert and Terrace and has indicated it is uncertain if it will replace the unit at the Bulkley Valley District Hospital. Northern Health has suggested the use of a mobile unit for screening in Smithers and for diagnostic services, which are currently offered at the Bulkley Valley District Hospital. Patients would need to travel to Terrace. Director Bachrach spoke of the importance of having a fixed unit at the hospital and the need for support from the northern region. The Northwest Regional Hospital District meeting is being held tomorrow, May 26, 2017 and Northern Health will be in attendance to discuss the issue.

### Village of Telkwa Water Tower

Director Repen mentioned that the Village of Telkwa is expecting an announcement in the near future in regard to funding to move forward with the engineering and archaeological assessment for its water tower replacement project. He commented that further grant funding applications would need to go forward to move the project beyond the assessments. Director Repen spoke of the challenges faced by the small community in regard to sewer and water infrastructure upgrades.

### Chair Miller – Update

#### North Central Local Government Association Convention – May 3-5, 2017, Terrace, B.C.

- Met with Lyn Hall, Mayor, City of Prince George, Art Kaehn, Chair, Regional District Fraser-Fort George, Directors Brienien and Thiessen – strategy session in regard to the Softwood Lumber Agreement;
  - o With the dissolving of OBAC have lost the ability to have conversations in regard to such issues as the softwood lumber agreement and its impacts to the north;
  - o Discussed the impact to smaller forest manufacturing companies;
  - o Will have further discussion moving forward.

## VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)

### Northwest Resource Benefits Alliance (RBA)

- Pre-election – concentrated efforts, energy and time in regard to networking;
- RBA meeting scheduled for tomorrow, May 26, 2017;
  - o Discuss the new Memorandum of Understanding amendments;
  - o Election of Chair and Vice Chair;
  - o Continue to move forward and lobby Members of Legislature.

### Houston Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting

- Attended the Houston Chamber of Commerce AGM;
- Provided an overview of the Regional District;
- Spoke to the importance of small business owners;
- Provided an update in regard to the RBA and continued messaging.

### Bulkley Valley Food Security Workshop, May 19, 2017, Smithers

- Excellent forum;
- Speaks to the Regional Board's Agriculture Initiative;
- Representative of Bulkley Valley Wholesale spoke to the impacts of the Fort McMurray Fire when the power went out and all of the perishables were spoiled;
- Chair Miller spoke to the possibility of an Agriculture Coordinator.

### Beyond the Market Program

- Met with Susan Stearns, General Manager, Community Futures Fraser-Fort George in regard to the Beyond the Market program;
- Community Futures Fraser-Fort George received Rural Dividend Funds for Beyond the Market program with a focus for the Fraser-Fort George area;
- Will provide outreach to the RDBN.

### Community to Community Forum –June 28, 2017

- Teleconference May 24, 2017 with RDBN staff and Dan George, Facilitator, Four Directions Management Services Ltd.;
- Developed an outline for the C2C, Mr. George will be providing a Doodle Poll for input from participants prior to the C2C;
- Spoke with co-host Chief Larry Nooski, Nadleh Whut'en First Nation in regard to the C2C agenda.

Chair Miller will be attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in Ottawa, Ontario on June 1-4, 2017. Any topics that the Regional Board wishes to forward to FCM can be provided to Chair Miller.

### Receipt of Verbal Reports

2017-7-36

Moved by Director Bachrach  
Seconded by Director Brien

"That the verbal reports of the various Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Directors be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Break at 12:30 p.m.**

**Returned from lunch at 1:00 p.m.**

**ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE**

Rick Braam, Adams Creek Consulting Ltd. Request for Letter of Support – Kyahwood Rural BC Dividend Program Application

Moved by Director Illes  
Seconded by Director Repen

2017-7-37

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support to Kyahwood for its Rural BC Dividend Program application.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Administration Correspondence

Moved by Director Illes  
Seconded by Director Repen

2017-7-38

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following correspondence:

- District of Fort St. James – Gas Tax Grant;
- Fire Prevention Officers Association of B.C.-Fire Away Magazine – Request for Sponsorship;
- Brink Group of Companies – B.C. Value Added Lumber Secondary Remanufacturers are Again Victimized by the Softwood Lumber Battle of the Major Producers, While Christy Clark and the BC Liberal Party are Asleep at the Wheel;
- Social Planning & Research Council of B.C.(sparc bc) –Re: Access Awareness Day – June 3, 2017 – Accessible Communities are Inclusive Communities;
- Northern Society for Domestic Peace Re: 2016/2017 RCMP Based Victim Assistance Program Stats;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities- Call to Action: Supporting Flood-Affected Communities/FCM 30 Years; Municipal Asset Management Program;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities - The Countdown is on to #FCM2017AC;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities - Making Railway Safety a Priority;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities- Budget 2017 Social Media Shareable;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities-Marijuana Legalization: Municipalities are Vital Partners;
- Union of B.C. Municipalities
  - Update on Marijuana Legalization
  - Marijuana Survey Underway
  - Province Wide Community to Community Forum
  - In Memoriam: Eydie Fraser
  - Session Proposal Process
  - Saving Lives Through Organ Donation
  - Federal Marijuana Legislation Introduced
  - 2017 Provincial Election Platform Commitments
  - Executive Meeting Highlights
  - 2017 Community Excellence Awards
  - Province Wide Community to Community Forum: Update

## **ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)**

- Funding & Resources Update
- 2017 UBCM Member Visits
- Seismic Safety Council Seeks Representative
- Initiative to Prevent Distracted Driving;

## **INVITATIONS**

-British Columbia Community Forest Association - BCCFA 2017 Conference and AGM in Tumbler Ridge – June 15-17, 2017;  
-Resource Breakfast Series – 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Resource Breakfast Series – Vancouver BC-September 26-29, 2017;  
-Walk for Reconciliation – September 24, 2017-Vancouver, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Director Repen noted that the Brink Group of Companies has yet to request a letter of support in regard to the softwood lumber tariffs. Director Thiessen will extend an invitation to John Brink, Brink Group Companies to attend a future RDBN meeting.

Director Newell spoke to the correspondence “FCM Voice April 28” and questioned if there was British Columbia representation on the FCM’s National Municipal Rail Safety Working Group which has been formed to review the upcoming *Railway Safety Act*. Chair Miller will bring forward the issue at the FCM Convention June 1-4, 2017. Director MacDougall spoke bringing rail issues forward to the FCM working group in regard to the transportation of dangerous goods and train whistles at crossings.

Director MacDougall mentioned that it would be helpful to have a workshop at UBCM in regard to Marijuana Legalization and potential impacts to municipalities and communities. Chair Miller mentioned bringing the information forward to UBCM northern representatives.

Director Fisher spoke to submitting a Union of B.C. Municipalities Session Proposal for the 2017 UBCM Convention in regard to Agriculture. He mentioned that a focus could be local government’s role in strengthening agriculture in the community and what is being done in other local governments. Director Parker commented that the topic can be brought forward at a future Agriculture Committee meeting for further discussion. Chair Miller also suggested the topic be brought forward to UBCM northern representatives.

Director Thiessen questioned what communities are doing in regard to opioid overdoses and spoke to being proactive. He noted that Saik’uz First Nations has received training in regard to the use of Naloxone kits in regard to the emergency treatment of a narcotics overdose. Director Bachrach mentioned that Smithers RCMP and emergency responders have received training in regard to the use of Naloxone kits. Director MacDougall commented that the RCMP, First Nations, healthcare providers and school representatives in Fort St.

## **ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)**

James have meetings in regard to awareness and education. Nak'azdli First Nations has the Naloxone kits and training. Director Brienien mentioned that he is in regular contact with the Houston RCMP and they are providing education in the schools. BC Ambulance in Houston also has the kits. He commented that in order to carry a kit you must take a course but the course is not as readily available in the north. Director Thiessen spoke to potentially having community meetings for parents and community members. Director Repen stated that the RCMP in Smithers and the Village of Telkwa is identifying groups of people that come into the community that may have more issues. Some of those groups are being provided the kits and training. The RCMP has made it one of their priorities in terms of intervention and harm reduction education. He mentioned that recently support has been provided for a program called *Family Smart*. The Program provides *Parents In Residence (PiR)*, parents that have experienced youth with substance abuse, to provide support for parents and youth that are susceptible to substance use. Director Thiessen mentioned the need to speak with the schools, Northern Health and RCMP to be proactive in regard to opioid overdoses in communities. Director Brienien mentioned that the Northwest Regional Hospital Board of Directors is meeting tomorrow and he spoke of bringing forward the issue and possible supports available along with Northern Health potentially hosting Naloxone training sessions.

## **FINANCIAL**

Operating Accounts  
-April 2017

Moved by Director Benedict  
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2017-7-39

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify the Operating Accounts – Paid April, 2017."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **ADMINISTRATION BYLAW**

### **Bylaw for First, Second, Third Reading & Adoption**

No. 1791 – RDBN Security  
Issuing – Round Lake Fire  
Protection Service

Moved by Director Fisher  
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2017-7-40

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Security Issuing Round Lake Fire Protection Service Bylaw No. 1791, 2017 be given first, second, third reading and adoption this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017."

(All/Weighted/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **READING FILE**

### **Reading File**

Moved by Director Newell  
Seconded by Director MacDougall

### **2017-7-41**

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Reading File:

#### **INVITATIONS:**

-Federation of Canadian Municipalities Wastewater Best Practices Free Webinar - May 25, 2017 – Optimizing Wastewater Treatment;

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- BC Community Forest Association – April 19, 2017 - The Importance of Community Forests to Rural Communities;
- BC Community Forest Association – 2016 CCCFA Indicators Report Released;
- BC Healthy Communities – BCHC May eNews;
- Canada Wood Waste Recycling Group – Press Release – Parkland County Welcomes Pinnacle Renewable Energy to Entwistle;
- Child Finder British Columbia – Child Find BC Proclamation May is National Missing Children’s Month;
- Clean Energy Canada:
  - May 1, 2017 – Clean Energy’s Unexpected Boosters
  - April 24, 2017 – A \$120 Billion Opportunity
  - April 20, 2017 – Next Week: What Trump Means for Clean Energy
  - April 13, 2017 – Time to Get a Little Deep;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Green Update – May 9, 2017 – Spring Flooding Appeal;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities – President’s Corner –May 2017;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Green Update
  - May 9, 2017 – New Funding to Improve Asset Management – Apply Now
  - April 20, 2017 – FCM’s New Infrastructure and Climate Change Programs: Workshop
  - April 18, 2017 – Meet our Local Climate Change Heroes: Interview Series
  - April 13, 2017 – Advance Your Asset Management Goals: CNAM Conference
- Health Canada – Public Health Agency of Canada –
  - April 25, 2017 – National Immunization Awareness Week April 24-30, 2017
  - May 8, 2017 - Emergency Preparedness Week May 7-13, 2017;
- Nechako Reservoir Update - Flow Facts:
  - May 6 – 12, 2017
  - April 29- May 5, 2017
  - April 22 – 28, 2017
  - April 15 – 21, 2017
  - April 14, 2017;
- Northern BC Tourism – News from Northern BC Tourism;
- Real Estate Foundation of BC – Spring eNews – How Sustainable are BC’s Communities? - \$1.3M in Grants;

**READING FILE (CONT'D)**

**CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D):**

- Resource Works – Newsletter:
  - May 4, 2017 – Time to Vote for BC
  - April 20, 2017 – Site C a Valid Alternative;
- Thompson-Nicola Regional District Board of Directors' Meeting of May 11, 2017;
- Social Planning & Research Council of BC – RE: Access Awareness Day – June 3, 2017 – Accessible Communities are Inclusive Communities.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

Regional Agriculture Brochure Moved by Director Fisher  
- Request from Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine Seconded by Director Petersen

2017-7-42

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to enter into a cost recovery agreement with the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine to include Hazelton in the Regional Agriculture Brochure.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Federal Gas Tax Funds  
Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural) – Village of Fraser Lake

Moved by Director Parker  
Seconded by Director Lindstrom

2017-7-43

1. “That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize contributing \$25,896.20 of Electoral Area “A” Federal Gas Tax allocation monies to the Village of Fraser Lake towards the purchase of the Fraser Lake transit bus;

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2. That the RDBN Board of Directors authorize the withdrawal of up to \$25,896.20 from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund.”

(Participants/Weighted/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Lakes District Secondary School – Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Areas “B” (Burns Lake Rural) and “E” (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural)

Moved by Director Benedict  
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-7-44

“That the Lakes District Secondary School be given \$250 grant in aid monies from each of Electoral Areas “B” (Burns Lake Rural) and “E” (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) for costs associated with the Girls’ Soccer Team attending Provincial Championships in Kelowna, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)**

Fort St. James Secondary School Mountain Bike Team – Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)

Moved by Director Greenaway  
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2017-7-45

“That the Fort St. James Secondary School Mountain Bike Team be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for costs associated with the Mountain Bike Provincials in Cumberland, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary School – Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural)

Moved by Director Parker  
Seconded by Director Lindstrom

2017-7-46

“That the Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary School be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural) for costs associated with its Golf Team attending the provincial tournament in Christina Lake, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

CityWest – Request for Letter of Support – Connecting British Columbia Program

Moved by Director Illes  
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2017-7-47

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support to CityWest for its application to the Connecting British Columbia Program.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **INVITATIONS**

Houston Community Garden Canada 150 Celebration -June 8, 2017-Houston, B.C.

Moved by Director Illes  
Seconded by Director Brienen

2017-7-48

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the invitation for the Houston Community Garden Canada 150 Celebration- June 8, 2017 – Houston, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **INVITATIONS (CONT'D)**

Province-Wide Community to  
Community Forum – June 6,  
2017-Vancouver, B.C.

Moved by Director Bachrach  
Seconded by Director Parker

2017-7-48

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the invitation for the Province-Wide Community to Community Forum- June 6, 2017 – Vancouver, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Diagnostic Testing in  
Northern B.C.

Director Benedict spoke of concerns in regard to the lack of electrocardiograms for youth patients in northern B.C. and the need to support a digital mammography unit in the Bulkley Valley Hospital. She also brought forward concerns regarding the lack of training for physiotherapists in northern B.C. She noted the need to have further conversation with Northern Health. Chair Miller mentioned that the Northern Medical Programs Trust is supporting a physiotherapy program.

Letter of Support for a  
Digital Mammography Unit  
at the Bulkley Valley Hospital

Moved by Director Benedict  
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2017-7-49

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support urging Northern Health to replace the mammography unit with an in-house digital mammography unit that performs both screening and diagnostic functions.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Fisher spoke to communication between the Northwest Regional Hospital District Board of Directors and the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors to advocate for issues and concerns facing both Regional District Boards. Director Petersen spoke to contacting Northern Health in regard to the lack of electrocardiogram tests for youth in northern B.C. and bringing forward the information to a future Stuart Nechako Regional Hospital District Board Meeting.

Resource Works

Director Repen commented that it may be beneficial to have discussions with Stewart Muir, Executive Director, Resource Works in regard to the RBA and softwood lumber agreement. Chair Miller will bring forward the information at the RBA meeting scheduled for tomorrow, May 26, 2017.

BC Hydro Right of Way  
Clearing

Director MacDougall mentioned that BC Hydro has removed trees along its right of way near Fort St. James and has left the stumps in the ground. District of Fort St. James Council is planning to write a letter requesting that the trees be removed at ground level or that the stumps be removed.

Clearview Landfill

Director MacDougall mentioned that there is a substantial amount of paper and plastic littering the ground and roadway along Highway 27 near Clearview Landfill and questioned who is responsible for the cleanup.

**NEW BUSINESS (CONT'D)**

**Greening Up Fort St. James Society – Promoting the Use of Compostable Dishes and Utensils**

Director MacDougall reported that District of Fort St. James Council had a presentation from the Greening up Fort St. James Society in regard to promoting the use of compostable dishes and utensils in the community. Director MacDougall mentioned that District of Fort St. James Council has agreed to utilize the compostable products at events in the community. He mentioned that Council would also like the RDBN, during its Solid Waste Management Plan review, to consider implementing a composting program at the Fort St. James Transfer Station to accommodate such programs moving forward.

**SPECIAL IN-CAMERA MEETING MOTION**

Moved by Director MacDougall  
Seconded by Director Brien

2017-7-50

“In accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, it is the opinion of the Board of Directors that matters pertaining to Section 90 (1)(g) – litigation or potential litigation and Section 90(1)(i) – the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications for that purpose or information received relating to these matters (Home Occupation at 22361 Gala Bay Road) and 90 (2)(b) – the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party (CityWest) must be closed to the public therefore exercise their option of excluding the public for this meeting.

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Director Brien  
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2017-7-51

“That the meeting be adjourned at 1:47 p.m.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Bill Miller, Chair

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Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant