

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**

**REGIONAL TRANSIT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**(Committee of the Whole)**

**Thursday, October 8, 2020**

**PRESENT:** Chair Tom Greenaway

Directors Shane Brien  
Mark Fisher  
Dolores Funk  
Judy Greenaway  
Clint Lambert – Via Zoom  
Linda McGuire  
Chris Newell  
Mark Parker  
Jerry Petersen  
Michael Riis-Christianson  
Gerry Thiessen  
Casda Thomas

Directors Absent Brad Layton, Village of Telkwa  
Sarrah Storey, Village of Fraser Lake

Alternate Director Kim Watt-Senner, Village of Fraser Lake

Staff Curtis Helgesen, Chief Administrative Officer  
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services  
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer  
Deneve Vanderwolf, Planner 1/Regional Transit Coordinator  
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Via Tele-Conference Lara Beckett, Electoral Area C/Chilako River-Nechako, Regional District of Fraser-Fort George  
Dave Bradshaw, Manager of Transportation & Technical Services, City of Prince George  
Michael Coulson, Transit Planner, City of Prince George – arrived at 1:11 p.m.  
Kelly Williams, CAO, Binche Whut'en

Media Priyanka Ketkar, Lakes District News

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Greenaway called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**

Moved by Director Petersen  
Seconded by Director McGuire

**RTC.2020-1-1**

“That the Regional Transit Agenda of October 8, 2020 be approved.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **MINUTES**

### **Regional Transit Committee Minutes – September 5, 2019**

Moved by Director Parker  
Seconded by Director Thiessen

RTC.2020-1-2

“That the Regional Transit Committee meeting minutes of September 5, 2019 be adopted.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **REPORTS**

### **Bulkley-Nechako Regional Transit Service Funding Communication Update**

Moved by Director McGuire  
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

RTC.2020-1-3

“That the Regional Transit Committee receive the Planner 1/Regional Transit Coordinator’s Bulkley-Nechako Regional Transit Service Funding Communication Update memo.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Rider’s Survey Report: Compilation of Data -2017 to 2019**

Moved by Director McGuire  
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

RTC.2020-1-4

“That the Regional Transit Committee receive the Planner 1/Regional Transit Coordinator’s Rider’s Survey Report: Compilation of Data – 2017 to 2019 memo.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place in regard to the potential for BC Transit to move forward with expansion of routes. Deneve Vanderwolf, Regional Transit Coordinator commented that BC Transit had indicated the possibility of conducting research and engagement in Fort St. James in order to determine the feasibility of moving forward with expansion in that area.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **Town of Smithers - Exploration of Three Expansion Options**

Moved by Director Fisher  
Seconded by Director McGuire

RTC.2020-1-5

““That the Regional Transit Committee receive the correspondence from the Town of Smithers – Exploration of Three Expansion Options.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**NEW BUSINESS**

**BC Transit COVID Protocols**

Director Fisher questioned ridership and BC Transit's COVID Protocols. Ms. Vanderwolf provided an overview of BC Transit's COVID Protocols.

Staff noted due to the recent announcement of a Provincial Election, BC Transit and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure representatives contacted the RDBN and indicated they would be unable to attend this meeting to provide an update.

Dave Bradshaw, Manager of Transportation & Technical Services, City of Prince George provided an update in regard to COVID protocols on BC Transit Buses in Prince George.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Director McGuire  
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

**RTC.2020-1-6**

"That the meeting be adjourned at 1:16 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Tom Greenaway, Chair

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Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant