

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

(VIRTUAL) MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2021

PRESENT: Chair Jerry Petersen

Directors Dolores Funk
Tom Greenaway
Clint Lambert
Linda McGuire
Mark Parker
Bob Motion
Michael Riis-Christianson
Gerry Thiessen
Sarrah Storey

Staff Curtis Helgesen, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
John Illes, Treasurer
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Others Gladys Atrill, Town of Smithers – arrived at 9:55 a.m.
Michael Hoefler, Regional Director, Capital Planning and Support
Services, Northern Health 9:04 a.m. to 9:38 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Petersen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Storey

SNRHD.2021-2-1

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Agenda of February 25, 2021 be approved.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

**Stuart-Nechako Regional
Hospital District Meeting
Minutes – January 28, 2021**

Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Funk

SNRHD.2021-2-2

“That the minutes of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District meeting of January 28, 2021 be adopted.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

NORTHERN HEALTH - Michael Hoefler, Regional Director, Capital Planning and Support Services, Northern Health RE: Stuart Nechako Manor

Chair Petersen welcomed Michael Hoefler, Regional Director, Capital Planning and Support Services, Northern Health.

Mr. Hoefler provided a PowerPoint Presentation in regard to the Stuart Nechako Manor.

Mr. Hoefler identified:

- The Stuart Nechako Manor building envelope engineers report of the Stuart Nechako Manor is not yet complete
- Next steps to meet with Chair Petersen and RDBN Chair Thiessen in regard to the reports
- Roof upgrade and replacement options
- Full repair of the facility roof
- Completing the project without inconveniencing Stuart Nechako Manor residents.

Discussion took place regarding the Stuart Nechako Manor:

- Cold attic
- Impacts of weather events and fluctuations of temperatures
- The two separate heating systems in the facility
- Steps taken to repair the roof issue to date
- Northern Health working with Chair Petersen and RDBN Chair Thiessen
- RDBN Chair Thiessen is consulting with local contractors to provide an understanding of the roof issues
- Moisture and mold issues in the past
 - o Mr. Hoefler indicated the mold issues have been addressed
- Northern Health continues to work through options and details to determine the best solution moving forward
 - o Will meet virtually with key stakeholders
- Risk management in building facilities and warranties provided by builders
- Building in northern BC.

Chair Petersen thanked Mr. Hoefler for attending the meeting.

REPORTS

Budget for 2021 – SNRHD
Annual Budget Bylaw No. 79

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Storey

SNRHD.2021-2-3

“That Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Annual Budget Bylaw No. 79, 2021 be given third reading, and adoption this 25th day of February, 2021.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SNRHD Capital Expenditure
Bylaw No. 80

Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Storey

SNRHD.2021-2-4

1. That Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 80, 2021 be given first, second, third reading, and adoption this 25th day of February, 2021.

2. That staff be authorized to pay Northern Health \$524,717.

3. That the Board receive the Accounting Update.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS (CONT'D)

Treasurer Illes indicated that \$7M has been included in the 2023 Budget for the Stuart Nechako Manor roof replacement project. Chair Petersen noted that Northern Health indicated it would fund the roof replacement project when it was first identified as needing to be replaced.

Audit Findings for 2021

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

SNRHD.2021-2-5

“That the Board receive the Treasurer’s Audit Findings for 2021 memo.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

COVID-19 Vaccination Rollout

Director Funk mentioned that Burns Lake is preparing for the COVID-19 Vaccination rollout for early March 2021 and is determining a location for mass vaccinations.

Director Lambert indicated that vaccinations are taking place at the Southside Health and Wellness Centre as well.

Director Riis-Christianson commented that he has received a number of calls regarding the lengthy process concerning the COVID-19 vaccination rollout. He also brought forward concerns that the Burns Lake Lab workers have yet to receive vaccinations.

Director Thiessen noted that St. John’s Hospital in Vanderhoof will receive additional vaccinations and begin phase two in the middle of March, 2021.

Director Storey mentioned the Village of Fraser Lake will use the Fraser Lake Arena for its mass vaccination centre.

Endoscopy Working Group
-Burns Lake

Director Funk noted that the Burns Lake Endoscopy Working Group is conducting some work in order to have testing abilities at the Lakes District Hospital and Healthcare Centre.

Stuart Lake Hospital
Replacement Project

Director Greenaway and Chair Petersen met with Northern Health in January, 2021 regarding the Stuart Lake Hospital. Chair Petersen noted the design plans are moving forward starting in March 2021 and will be completed in stages. The construction is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2022.

Granisle Health Centre

Director McGuire mentioned that the current location of the Granisle Health Centre is scheduled to be moved to the new location at the Babine Elementary Secondary School near the end of March 2021.

Director McGuire commented that the second round of vaccinations started to take place February 24th. The Granisle Seniors Centre will potentially be the location for the mass vaccination rollout.

Local Government
Officials Teleconference
with Minister of Municipal
Affairs and Minister of Mental
Health and Addictions

Director Parker spoke of the local government officials teleconference with the Honourable Josie Osborne, Minister of Municipal Affairs and the Honourable Sheila Malcolmson, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions. Discussions took place regarding silos that exist, due to consideration of privacy, in regard to agencies working with individuals with mental health issues that is a concern in the region. He noted the need to have a situational table to bridge the gap regarding confidentiality and enabling agencies to work together.

VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)

Vanderhoof Dementia Care Unit Director Thiessen mentioned that there will be an announcement February 26, 2021 in regard to the final funding required for the Vanderhoof Dementia Care Unit to be built.

Stuart Nechako Manor Director Thiessen commented that he has requested to meet with local contractors in Vanderhoof to discuss the Stuart Nechako Manor roof.

Fraser Lake Community Health Centre & Home Support Director Storey spoke of meeting with James Simpson, Health Services Administrator, and Raquel Miles, Community Services Manager, Northern Health regarding lab technicians being brought to the Fraser Lake Community Health Centre.

Director Storey also mentioned discussion took place with HSA Simpson in regard to Home Support services in Fraser Lake. She noted that Fraser Lake is working to develop an Assisted Living Facility. HSA Simpson spoke of training home support care aids to address the need. Director Storey is arranging a meeting with the Village of Fraser Lake, Stelat'en First Nation, Nadleh Whut'en and Director Parker, Electoral Area "D" (Fraser Lake) to discuss an Assisted Living Facility for the communities.

Director Storey noted that Fraser Lake is in the recruitment process for a Nurse Practitioner.

HSA Simpson and Ms. Welsh mentioned that they are working on a community health table in which the Chief Administrative Officers from the communities in the area have been invited to participate.

Mental Health Care Worker Connexus Community Resources Director Storey commented that the Village of Fraser Lake Council passed a resolution in support of Connexus Community Resources bid to have a Mental Health Care Worker in Fraser Lake.

Babylon by Telus Health Director Storey spoke of the wait times to see a local doctor and her experience utilizing Babylon by Telus Health.

Verbal Reports Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Storey

SNRHD.2021-2-6 "That the verbal reports of the various Board of Directors be received."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Storey

SNRHD.2021-2-7 "That the meeting be adjourned at 10:00 a.m."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Jerry Petersen, Chairperson

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant