

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday November 9, 2023

PRESENT: Chair Michael Riis-Christianson

Directors Judy Greenaway
Clint Lambert
Shirley Moon
Chris Newell
Mark Parker
Stoney Stoltenberg

Staff Curtis Helgesen, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Director of Corporate Services
Nellie Davis, Manager of Regional Economic Development
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Wendy Wainwright, Deputy Director of Corporate Services

Others Shane Brienen, District of Houston
Leroy Dekens, Village of Telkwa
Martin Elphee, District of Fort St. James
Kevin Moutray, District of Fort St. James
Henry Wiebe, Village of Burns Lake

CALL TO ORDER Chair Riis-Christianson called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

FIRST NATIONS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

AGENDA & SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA Moved by Director Stoltenberg
Seconded by Director Greenaway

C.C.2023-3-1 "That the Connectivity Committee Agenda for November 7, 2023 be approved as amended; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be dealt with at this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Connectivity Committee Meeting Minutes -July 13, 2023 Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Parker

C.C. 2023-3-2 "That the Connectivity Committee Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2023 be approved."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

REPORT

Participation in a Study of Canadians' Internet Service Performance

Moved by Director Stoltenberg
Seconded by Director Lambert

C.C.2023-3-3

"That the Committee receive the Manager of Regional Economic Development's Participation in a Study of Canadians' Internet Service Performance memorandum."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place regarding sharing the Study of Canadians' Internet Service Performance information on the RDBN social media platforms.

Canada's Rural and Remote Broadband Conference

Moved by Director Stoltenberg
Seconded by Director Newell

C.C.2023-3-4

"That the Committee receive Chair Riis-Christianson's Canada's Rural and Remote Broadband Conference memorandum."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Chair Riis-Christianson indicated that the Conference was very informative and noted that the connectivity issues experienced within the Regional District are experienced Canada-wide. He identified that there was no provincial representation at the conference. Rogers was in attendance and spoke of work being done along Highway 16 to address the Highway of Tears Project. Chair Riis-Christianson encouraged the Committee to attend future conferences.

Director Greenaway requested additional information regarding 6Harmonics. Chair Riis-Christianson will provide the information.

IN-CAMERA MOTION

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Stoltenberg

C.C.2023-3-5

"That this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter for the Board to deal with matters relating to Connectivity Projects."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Stoltenberg

C.C.2023-3-6

"That the meeting be adjourned at 10:44 a.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Michael Riis-Christianson, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Deputy Director
of Corporate Services