

MINUTES of a Regional Board meeting held in the Bear Pit, Town Square, Fort Nelson, BC on Monday, March 10, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

THOSE PRESENT

Chair Morey -Chair
Director Barr
Director Craddock
Director Gray
Director Lutsiak
Director Middleton
Director Streeper
Director Unruh

STAFF

Pat Bailey -CAO
Debbie Walker -Corporate Administrator
Heather Brown -Deputy Corporate Administrator
Linda Wallace -DRDS
Bruce Hupman -DOP
Liana Capes -Recording Secretary
Judy Munro -Recording Secretary In Training
Pat Higgins -Treasurer

PUBLIC/MEDIA

Brent Hodson -Fort Nelson News
Alt. Director Sime -NRRD
Alt. Director Novotny -NRRD
Myrna Blake

1. Call to Order A quorum being present, Chair Morey called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM and proceeded with the business placed before it.
2. Temporary Adjournment **MOVED** by Director Unruh, **SECONDED** by Director Craddock that the March 10, 2003 Regional Board meeting be temporarily adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

CARRIED

3. Re-Call to Order Chair Morey re-called the meeting to order at 8:11 p.m. and proceeded with the business placed before it.

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4. Adoption of Agenda

MOVED by Director Unruh, **SECONDED** by Director Barr that the agenda for the March 10, 2003 Regional Board meeting be amended to include the following:

- BC Hydro, Tour Invitation
- Slocan Woodlands Division, Tour Invitation
- Historical Society Meeting Update

and thereafter, be adopted for implementation.

CARRIED

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

5. Emergency Regional Board with BC Hydro
February 20, 2003

MOVED by Director Gray, **SECONDED** by Director Middleton that the minutes of the Emergency Regional Board with BC Hydro meeting held February 20, 2003 be amended as follows:

Page 3, Item #2, 3rd & 4th Paragraphs

"that the reference to "technician" be amended to read "electrician" and that "gas meters" be amended to read "hydro meters."

and thereafter be adopted as distributed and read, there being no further errors or omissions.

CARRIED

6. Emergency Regional Board with
Ministry of Energy and Mines
February 20, 2003

MOVED by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** by Director Unruh that the minutes of the Emergency Regional Board with Ministry of Energy and Mines meeting held February 20, 2003 be adopted as distributed and read, there being no errors or omissions.

CARRIED

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7. Public Hearing, Re: Landfill Tipping Fees
February 24, 2003
- MOVED** by Director Gray, **SECONDED** by Director Middleton that the minutes of the Public Hearing Re: Landfill Tipping Fees meeting held February 24, 2003 be adopted as distributed and read, there being no errors or omissions.

CARRIED

8. Regional Board
February 24, 2003
- MOVED** by Director Gray, **SECONDED** by Director Lutsiak that the minutes the Regional Board minutes dated February 24, 2003 be amended to read:

Page 4, Item # 12, 3rd Paragraph

"It was noted Director Middleton would be available to help out at the trade show."

and thereafter be adopted as distributed and read, there being no further errors or omissions.

CARRIED

9. Emergency Regional Board
March 3, 2003
- MOVED** by Director Unruh, **SECONDED** by Director Craddock that the minutes of the Emergency Regional Board meeting held March 3, 2003 be adopted as distributed and read, there being no errors or omissions.

CARRIED

INFORMATION PACKAGES

10. Council/Board Information Package
February 28, 2003
- MOVED** by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** by Director Unruh that the Council/Board Information Package dated February 28, 2003 be received for information.

CARRIED

11. Council/Board Information Package
March 7, 2003
- MOVED** by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** by Director Unruh that the Council/Board Information Package dated March 7, 2003 be received for information.

CARRIED

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PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS

12. 2003 Budget Process - 8:00 PM
Public Question and
Answer Period

There were no questions during the public question and answer period.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

13. Airport Advisory Committee
February 27th, 2003
(Minutes to Follow)

MOVED by Director Unruh, **SECONDED** by Director Gray that Alternate Director Sime be authorized to attend the British Columbia Aviation Council Airports Workshop March 31 - April 1, 2003, in Richmond, BC all expenses paid, with said funds being allocated from the Legislative travel budget.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Unruh, **SECONDED** by Director Barr that the Fort Nelson Airport budget be amended to include a contribution of 10% of the cost to a maximum of \$20,000 for the upgrade of the Ministry of Forests, Forest Protection Branch east ramp with said funds to be taken from Airport Reserves.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

14. Administration Report #26/03
Re: PUBLIC RELATIONS - Fort Nelson
First Nation/Town of Fort Nelson and
Northern Rockies Regional District,
Memorandum of Understanding
re: Statement of Relationship,
DRAFT

MOVED by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** by Director Middleton that the Memorandum of Understanding proposed between the Fort Nelson First Nation and Fort Nelson and the Northern Rockies be adopted for implementation as amended and that Chair Morey be authorized to sign said memorandum on behalf of the Town & Regional District.

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15. Administration Report #27/03
Re: FORESTRY - Ministry of Sustainable
Resource Management: *"A Working Forest
for British Columbia"*
Discussion Paper, Comments Discussion ensued regarding the discussion paper whereby it was noted that accessibility to timber is essential for the revitalization of BC's forest industry and the Board supports the concept and intent of the "Working Forest Legislation". How the intent of the legislation would be achieved was questioned, and the board asked DRDS Wallace to include mention of that in an accompanying cover letter. Establishing new land designations was also queried since it was uncertain as to who would establish the highest or best uses of particular land designations.

DRDS Wallace was commended on a paper well done.

MOVED by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** by Director Gray that Administration Report # 27/03 be received for information and further that DRDS Wallace forward the Board's comments to the Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management accompanied by a cover letter outlining the Northern Rockies Regional Districts views and concerns.

CARRIED

- BYLAWS/POLICIES**
16. For Adoption
Northern Rockies Regional District
The Rural Land Use Amendment
(Northgate Contractors Inc.)
Bylaw No. 151, 2003 **MOVED** by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** by Director Gray that the Northern Rockies Regional District Rural Land Use Amendment (Northgate Contractors Inc.) Bylaw No. 151, 2003 be adopted.

CARRIED

17. For First, Second and Third Readings
Northern Rockies Regional District
The Regional District Procedure
Bylaw No. 152, 2003 **MOVED** by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** by Director Unruh that the Northern Rockies Regional District Regional District Procedure Bylaw No. 152, 2003 be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

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18. For Adoption
Northern Rockies Regional District
The Regional District Procedure
Bylaw No. 152, 2003
- MOVED** by Director Barr, **SECONDED** by Director Lutsiak that the Northern Rockies Regional District Regional District Procedure Bylaw No. 152, 2003 be adopted.

CARRIED

19. For Third Reading
Northern Rockies Regional District
The Landfill Tipping Fees and Regulations
Bylaw No. 153, 2003
- It was suggested that Section 3 (1) of the Landfill Tipping Fees and Regulations amendment (Land Clearing) Bylaw 153, 2003 be amended to read 300 mm in diameter and that section 3 (2) (xvi) be amended to read 300 mm in diameter.

MOVED by Director Craddock, **SECONDED** Director Barr that the Northern Rockies Regional District Landfill Tipping Fees and Regulations amendment (Land Clearing) Bylaw No. 153, 2003 be given third readings.

CARRIED

20. For Adoption
Northern Rockies Regional District
The Landfill Tipping Fees and Regulations
Bylaw No. 153, 2003
- MOVED** by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** Director Unruh that the Northern Rockies Regional District Landfill Tipping Fees and Regulations Amendment (Land Clearing) Bylaw No. 153, 2003 be adopted.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS/VERBAL STATUS REPORTS

21. BC Hydro
Invitation to Tour
- Chair Morey advised that John Maher, BC Hydro was in Fort Nelson on the weekend and invited Council/Board to tour the new BC Hydro Transmission Site.

Administration was *requested* to advise Mr. Maher that Council/Board would be unable to tour at this time; however, would like to schedule a tour in May, 2003.

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22. Slocan Woodlands Division
Invitation to Tour

It was noted that Director Lutsiak received an invitation from Paul Davidson, Slocan Woodlands Division, asking whether the Council/Board would like to undertake a full day tour to visit Slocan's main line operations.

Administration was *requested* to contact Mr. Davidson and thank him for his invite and ask if the tour could be re-scheduled in the Fall of 2003.

23. Historical Society Meeting
Update

Director Middleton advised that she attended a meeting of the Fort Nelson Historical Society, noting the society was concerned about the status of the land the museum site is on. She further noted that the Society had formed a small committee to discuss the land status and would like to meet with the Board to discuss the issue further. A tentative date for March 24, 2003 at 5:00 p.m. was scheduled, dependent on whether this date would be suitable for the Fort Nelson Historical Society.

24. Resolution
For Adoption

MOVED by Director Gray, **SECONDED** by Director Middleton that the decisions of the meeting of the Town Council as held preceding this meeting of the Regional Board be adopted for implementation.

CARRIED

25. Subjects For
Municipal Bulletin

CAO Bailey advised Regional Board Directors they could forward their quarterly portfolio reports to her for inclusion in the Municipal Bulletin.

26. Subjects For
Radio Call-In Program

This item was *deferred* to the March 24, 2003 Regional Board meeting.

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27. Emergency Regional Board Meeting
With MP Jay Hill
Wednesday, March 12, 2003
5:00 PM, Bear Pit

It was noted Chair Morey, Director Unruh, Director Craddock, Director Streeper, Director Middleton, Director Barr and Director Gray would attend the Emergency Regional Board Meeting with MP Jay Hill on Wednesday, March 12, 2003, 5:00 p.m., Bear Pit.

28. Resolution for Adoption
InCamera Meeting

MOVED by Director Lutsiak, **SECONDED** by Director Barr that the public be excluded from the March 10, 2003 InCamera Sessions of the Town of Fort Nelson Council and Northern Rockies Regional District Board meetings, as the aforementioned meetings pertain to Section 242.2 (j).

CARRIED

29. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Gray, **SECONDED** by Director Streeper that the Regional Board meeting dated March 10, 2003 be declared adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED a true and correct copy of the minutes of a Regional Board meeting held on Monday, March 10, 2003.

Chris Morey, Mayor/Chair

Debbie Walker, Corporate Administrator

Liana Capes, Recording Secretary