



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING **MINUTES**

DATE: April 16, 2020

PLACE: Regional District Office Boardroom, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT: **Directors**

Director Rose, Meeting Chair
Director Sperling
Director Hiebert
Director Goodings

Staff

Shawn Dahlen, Chief Administrative Officer
Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager
Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer
Trish Morgan, General Manager of Community Services
Kari Bondaroff, Environmental Services Manager
Teri Vetter, Finance Services Manager
Trevor Ouellette, Information Technology Manager
Erin Price, Bylaw Enforcement Officer
Naomi Donat, Recording Secretary

Others

Katrin Saxty, Urban Systems

Call to Order The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:06 am

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

Director Rose Farmers Information Service
 Burning Bans

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee agenda for the April 16, 2020 meeting,
including Director's new business, be adopted as amended:

1. Call to Order
2. Directors' Notice of New Business
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Adoption of Minutes
 - 4.1. Electoral Area Directors Committee Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2020
5. Business Arising from the Minutes
6. Delegations

- 6.1. (10:15) Marsha Stewart, Executive Director, Dawson Creek Art Gallery/South Peace Art Society - Request for Support for Art Outreach Program
- 6.2. (1:00) Connectivity Project
Mike Stelck – President, Valo Networks; Mark Blake – President and Chief Operating Officer, Canadian Fiber Optics Group; Mike Colberg – Vice President, Customer Experience, Valo Networks; David Ball – Vice President, Project Management Office, Valo Networks; and Rebecca Lagos, Community Engagement Lead, Valo Networks.
7. Correspondence
7.1. Ministry of Agriculture - Further Changes to the ALC Act and Regulations
8. Reports
8.1. March 9, 2020 Charlie Lake Fire Department Road Rescue and First Medical Response Public Engagement
8.2. Upper Pine/ Upper Halfway/ Clearview arena, ADM-EADC-001
8.3. Quarterly Bylaw Enforcement Update, DS-EADC-001
8.4. Cannabis Zoning Regulation Review, DS-EADC-002
9. Discussion Items
9.1. Stoddart Creek Water Services
9.2. Hope Air
9.3. Farmland in Electoral Area 'B'
10. New Business
10.1. Farmers Information Service
10.2. Burning Bans
10.3. Dawson Creek Art Gallery/South Peace Art Society
11. Communications
12. Diary
12.1. April EADC Diary
13. Adjournment

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

4.1 EADC Minutes

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Goodings,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2020 be adopted.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

D-2 South Peace
Health Services
Society

Staff will contact Shaely Wilbur at the South Peace Health Services Society to ask her to provide a financial breakdown of what is left to fund for Bulterys House, to be presented at the next Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting.

C-1 Montney
Roundtable meeting

Due to COVID-19, all Electoral Area Directors' Roundtable meetings will be cancelled until further notice.

C-2 Vincent
Communications Ltd.

Director Goodings has sent a letter of support to Vincent Communications Ltd.

C-3 Posting letter to
the PRRD Facebook
page

It was confirmed that the letter from Julia Berardinucci, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy – Re: Follow-up to UBCM 2019 regarding Water Sustainability Act was posted to the Regional District Facebook Page.

R-3 Kelly Lake Design Study Report	A Request for Proposal is being prepared to investigate the presence of any hazardous materials in the building. A new design for the building will be considered after that investigation is complete.
NB-1 Cleanfarms	Staff will prepare a report for the next Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting.
NB-4 Curbside Recycling	A report will be brought forward to the next Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting regarding any curbside recycling for rural residents.

DELEGATIONS:

6.1 Dawson Creek Art Gallery/South Peace Art Society	<p>Marsha Stewart, Executive Director of the Dawson Creek Art Gallery/South Peace Art Society spoke about the packages that they are distributing to residents. So far, they have distributed 300 packages of colouring pages, colouring pencils, and other art activity supplies to residents in the Chetwynd, Tumbler Ridge, and Moberly areas. They have also been delivering online videos for children and are working with the Peace Liard Regional Arts Council on online workshops for adults. Marsha asked the committee if they would be willing to contribute \$10 per package of art supplies for 500 packages to be distributed in the rural areas. The Art Society can supply the staff to prepare the packages and get assistance from organizations within the communities to distribute the packages. Suggestions for groups to help distribute the packages included libraries, friendship centres, and School Parent Advisory Councils.</p>
6.2 Valo Networks	<p>Rebecca Lagos, Mike Stelck, Mike Colberg, David Ball, and David Gust from Valo Networks, along with Mark Blake from Canadian Fiber Optics Group gave the committee a summary of their Connectivity Project including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Responses from businesses and residents across the district• Network accessibility and partnership opportunities• What is missing• What is coming• Proposal and next steps, and• Pilot project recommendations

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Sperling,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee refer Valo Networks Proposal and Next Steps to the Rural Budgets Administration Committee.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

7.1 Ministry of Agriculture	<p>MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Sperling, That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive for discussion, the email from Anna North dated February 25, 2020, titled 'Intention for further changes to the Agricultural Land Commission Act and Regulations affecting the ALR in local government jurisdictions'.</p>
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CARRIED

Katrin Saxty confirmed that there is a teleconference scheduled for April 21, 2020 between PRRD staff and Ministry of Agriculture for engagement on policy development for small secondary residences.

REPORTS:

8.1
March 9, 2020 -
Charlie Lake Fire
Department Road
Rescue & First Medical
Response Public
Engagement

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee defer the March 9, 2020 Charlie Lake
Fire Department Road Rescue & First Medical Response Public Engagement report to
the next Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting.

CARRIED

8.2 Upper Pine /
Upper Halfway /
Clearview Arena

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the Upper Pine / Upper Halfway
/ Clearview Arena report for discussion

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee refer the topic of the Upper Pine
outdoor rink to the Rural Budgets Administration Committee.

CARRIED

8.3 Quarterly Bylaw
Enforcement Update

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Sperling,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the report 'Quarterly Bylaw
Enforcement Update', dated March 31, 2020 for discussion.

CARRIED

Files 18-298, 15-265, and 17-079 are to be reactivated.

8.4 Area B Water –
Rose Prairie Water
Station

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive for discussion, the report titled
'Area B Water – Rose Prairie Water Station', dated April 1, 2020.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Sperling,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee defer consideration of the following
recommendation until staff provide additional information on treatment issues:

"That the Electoral Area Directors Committee authorize conducting a four-six
week Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) pilot study at the current Rose Prairie
Tankloader location, to determine if the proposed treatment will meet
Northern Health water quality parameters as required for public
consumption."

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee pursue the following recommendation
no further:

"That the Electoral Area Directors Committee authorize well testing at the
North Peace Fall Fair Grounds to determine the feasibility of utilizing the well
as an alternative water source for the Rose Prairie Tankloader."

CARRIED

8.5 Cannabis Zoning
Regulation Review

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Regional Board remove the current definition for “cannabis related business” and the prohibition of all cannabis related businesses from all zoning bylaws, and insert the following definitions:

- 1) **Cannabis** means cannabis as defined in the federal *Cannabis Act*.
- 2) **Cannabis Processing Facility** means cultivating, growing, processing, testing, producing, packaging, storing, distributing, or dispensing of cannabis or any products containing or derived from cannabis as lawfully permitted and authorized under the federal *Cannabis Act*.
- 3) **Cannabis Retail Store** means the retail sale of cannabis, cannabis products, cannabis accessories, or any product containing or derived from cannabis as lawfully permitted and authorized under the Provincial *Cannabis Control and Licensing Act*.

Further, that the Regional Board permit cannabis retail and cannabis processing facilities in the zones noted below:

Zoning Bylaw	Recommended Zones for “cannabis retail store”	Recommended Zones for “cannabis processing facility”
Bylaw 479, 1986	C-1 Local Commercial	M-2 General Industrial M-3 Agricultural Industrial
Bylaw 506, 1986	C-1 Local Commercial	M-2 General Industrial
Bylaw 1000, 1996	NC Neighbourhood Commercial Zone	1-2 General Industrial Zone
Bylaw 1343, 2001	C-1 Local Commercial Zone C-2 General Commercial Zone	I-2 General Industrial Zone I-3 Agricultural Industrial Zone

On properties that are not located within:

- a) 200 m from a parcel containing a school or day care; and
- b) 100 m from any parcel containing a park, place of worship, medical clinic, rehabilitation centre, or other cannabis-related business.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

9.1 Stoddart Creek
Water Services

Staff will respectfully decline the invitation from Edward Stanford on behalf of Thomas Stahl to tour the Stoddart Creek Water Services.

9.2 Hope Air

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the topic of Hope Air for discussion.

CARRIED

Staff are to gather more information on Hope Air for the next Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting.

9.3 Farmland in
Electoral Area 'B'

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the email from Lori Vickers, Ministry of Agriculture, dated March 6, 2020, for information.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

10.1 Burning ban

Staff will contact Wildfire BC to see if there could be any exceptions for farmers to burn in the Regional District.

10.2 Farmers
Information Service

A Request For Proposals has been issued for the Farmers Information Service. The deadline for proposals is April 23, 2020. More information should be available for the next Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting.

10.3 Dawson Creek Art
Gallery

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee will refer the request from the Dawson Creek Art Gallery/South Peace Art Society to the Rural Budgets Administration Committee.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

DIARY:

DIA-1

Item 4B, Synergy Groups, was added to the Diary.

Recess
Reconvene

The Chair recessed the meeting for luncheon at 12:20 p.m.
The Chair reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Original signed by

Director Rose, Meeting Chair

Original signed by

Naomi Donat, Secretary/Receptionist