

**Rural Roads in the North Peace Initiative** 

PRRD Directors Meeting May 1, 2020 – (teleconference)

## Attendance:

#### Regrets:

**Director Dale Bumstead** 

Director Karen Goodings Director Dave Heiberg Director Rob Fraser Tyra Henderson Jackie Kjos

## Call to Order

Director Goodings called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.

## 1. Agenda

Director Goodings called for additional agenda items, there were none. **Moved** by Director Fraser to accept the agenda as presented **2**<sup>nd</sup> by Director Heiberg **Carried** 

#### 2. Minutes

Minutes from the March 27, 2020 meeting had been sent out via email. Director Goodings called for errors or omissions. There were none.

**Moved** by Director Fraser to accept the minutes from the March 31, 2020 meeting as presented **2**<sup>nd</sup> by Director Heiberg **Carried** 

## 3. Consultants Report

a) Lobbyist Registration – Jackie advised that she had extended the existing registration period to December 31, 2020. There are new reporting requirements starting in May.

## 4. Budget/Workplan Approvals

- a) The Directors discussed the items arising from the Peace River Regional District Board meeting on April 9, 2020.
  - Tyra will request a delegation for the board meeting on June 25, 2020 where Jackie will present the long video, provide a short update on progress made by the initiative and answer questions.
  - Tyra has/is compiling the necessary information for the PRRD Board to create a Select Committee using the 2018 NPRR initiative Terms of Reference for guidance. The Select Committee process will resolve the issue of the current quorum requirements and voting/quorum rules of the ex-officio role for PRRD Chair Sperling.
- b) The participants discussed the 2020 Contract for JK Solutions Ltd. to December 31, 2020

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#### PLEASE REPLY TO:

- The two videos are complete and paid for Jackie has minor editing improvements to complete next week and then the files will be uploaded to the for the Directors to download from Jackie's OneDrive site.
- The "final report" in the contract documents refers to the North Peace Rural Road Conditions (last update March 31, 2020) report which is a large, pictorial collection of road pictures that will continue to be updated through the life of the project each time road evaluations/pictures are taken.
- Tyra has taken notes to supplement the previous contract scope of work that should be adequate to develop the new contract.
- c) The Directors confirmed that the general approach in 2020 will be to maintain the progress that has been achieved with a focus on:
  - Developing a relationship with the new A/District Manager Rena Gibson. Jackie to request an in-person meeting with Rena, potentially with Directors joining either in person or via teleconference subject to Covid 19 rules at the time.
  - Conducting a spring/summer road tour including issues recently identified on the Lower Cache and Stoddart Creek.
  - Continue to refine pullout information to prioritize with the task force.
  - Conduct any research/lobbying if an economic stimulus package is introduced by either the federal or provincial governments.
  - Broaden the orphan well research done on Milligan/PJ to match the recent funding to identify impacted roads.
  - Research and raise the concern of the change of seasonal load restrictions from 100% to 75% legal axle loading on key roads (Beatton Airport, parts of Montney Highway, etc.) with Katherine Styba when she returns to the role (expected to be in the fall of 2020).
  - Develop a 2020 DRAFT workplan for Director input/approval.

## 5. New Business

- a) The Directors agreed that Director Goodings will continue as chair of the NPRR initiative.
- b) Jackie was directed to poll the Task Force member regarding their willingness to continue and how many Task Force meetings they would recommend for 2020.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.

Next Meeting – May 22, 2020.