

# ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2021

**LOCATION** Peace River Regional District Office, Dawson Creek, BC

#### **ATTENDANCE**

**Directors** Staff

Director Goodings, Electoral Area 'B' (Via Zoom) Shawn Dahlen, Chief Administrative Officer

Director Sperling, Electoral Area 'C'

Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer

Director Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D'

Teri Vetter, Chief Financial Officer

Director Rose, Electoral Area 'E' – Committee Chair Tab Young, Deputy Corporate Officer

Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager
Kathy Suggitt, GM of Development Services
Kari Bondaroff, GM of Environmental Services

Jeff McDonald, Communications Manager (Via Zoom)

Daris Gillis, Environmental Services Manager Gerritt Lacey, Solid Waste Services Manager

Hunter Rainwater, Recorder

**1. CALL TO ORDER** The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:04 am.

### 2. DIRECTORS' NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Director Sperling BC Rural Center
Director Goodings Cemetery Meetings
Director Hiebert CleanBC Energy Plan

#### 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adoption of Agenda MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee adopt the October 28, 2021 Meeting Agenda, as amended to include Director's new business:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Directors' Notice of New Business
- 3. Adoption of Agenda
- 4. Gallery Comments or Questions
- 5. Adoption of Minutes
- 5.1. Electoral Area Directors Committee Draft Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2021
- 6. Business Arising from the Minutes
- 7. Delegations
- 8. Correspondence

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# Adoption of Agenda (Continued)

8.1. TC Energy – Coastal GasLink Community Investment – Call for Funding Requests from the PRRD

#### 9. Reports

- 9.1. Northern Development Local Government Internship Program, ADM-EADC-041
- 9.2. Bylaw Enforcement Files July Sept. 2021 Quarterly Update, DS-EADC-016
- 9.3. North Pine TV Tower Condition Assessment and 2021 Update, ENV-EADC-012
- 9.4. Decant Water Usage at Area B Bulk Tankloader Stations, ENV-EADC-017
- 9.5. Next Steps for Building a Business Case to Remove Weeds from Lakes within the PRRD Boundaries, ENV-EADC-018
- 9.6. Electoral Area Director Benefit Package, FN-EADC-002

#### 10. Discussion Item(s)

10.1. Farmers Information Services – Director Goodings

#### 11. New Business

- 11.1. BC Rural Center
- 11.2. Cemetery Meetings
- 11.3. CleanBC Energy Plan
- 12. Diary
- 12.1. Diary Items
- 13. Item(s) for Information
- 13.1. EADC Terms of Reference
- 14. Adjournment

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. GALLERY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

# 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

5.1 MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Goodings,

Sept 27/21 EADC Minutes That the Electoral Area Directors Committee adopt the September 27, 2021

Meeting Minutes.

**CARRIED** 

# 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

# 7. DELEGATIONS

#### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1

TC Energy – Coastal GasLink Community Investment – Call for Funding Requests from the PRRD MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the TC Energy – Coastal GasLink Community Investment – Call for Funding Requests from the PRRD for discussion.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee invite Heather Desarmia from TC Energy to a future Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting to discuss the Coastal GasLink Community Investment program.

**CARRIED** 

#### 9. REPORTS

#### 9.1

Northern Development Local Government Internship Program, ADM-EADC-041 MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend that the Regional Board authorize the submission of a grant application to Northern Development Initiative Trust for a grant of up to \$50,000 to host an Intern under the Local Government Internship Grant Program for a 12-month period; further, that the Peace River Regional District commit to providing sufficient financial and staffing resources to host an intern and commit to provide training and professional development opportunities for the intern.

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee amend the motion by adding "further, that the funding for the Northern Development Initiative Trust Intern be placed in Function 110 – Legislative Regional."

**CARRIED** 

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend that the Regional Board authorize the submission of a grant application to Northern Development Initiative Trust for a grant of up to \$50,000 to host an Intern under the Local Government Internship Grant Program for a 12-month period; further, that the Peace River Regional District commit to providing sufficient financial and staffing resources to host an intern and commit to provide training and professional development opportunities for the intern; further, that the funding for the Northern Development Initiative Trust Intern be placed in Function 110 – Legislative Regional.

**CARRIED** 

9.2

Bylaw Enforcement Files July – Sept. 2021 Quarterly Update, DS-EADC-016 MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the report "Bylaw Enforcement Files July – Sept. 2021 Quarterly Update – DS-EADC-016", dated October 28, 2021, for discussion.

**CARRIED** 

9.3

North Pine TV Tower Condition Assessment and 2021 Update, ENV-EADC-012 MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee resolve to build the established operational reserve for Function 525 – North Pine TV tower, up to the maximum allowance of \$50,000 for end of service life decommissioning in 2040.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Sperling

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee authorize that prior to decommissioning the North Pine Tower in 2040, that in 2035 a study be conducted to determine if there is a community need to keep the North Pine Tower.

**CARRIED** 

9.4

Decant Water Usage at Area B Bulk Tankloader Stations, ENV-EADC-017 MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee deny non-potable water withdrawal from the decant reject pond by Dawson Road Maintenance; and further, that no further action be taken to pursue options for providing decant water as a non-potable water source.

**CARRIED** 

9.5

Next Steps for Building a Business Case to Remove Weeds from Lakes within the PRRD Boundaries, ENV-EADC-018 MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee refer the report titled "Next Steps for Building a Business Case to Remove Weeds from Lakes within the PRRD Boundaries, ENV-EADC-018" to the Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting.

**CARRIED** 

9.6

Electoral Area Director Benefit Package, FN-EADC-002 MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend that the Regional Board authorize an increase to the Elected Officials benefits to include increasing Chiropractor and Naturopath from \$200 to \$400 per year, increasing Massage and Physiotherapist from \$250 to \$450 per year and adding \$500 to Vision Care per two years for the 2022 budget.

**CARRIED** 

# 10. DISCUSSION ITEM(s)

10.1

Farmers Information Services – Director Goodings MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee diarize "Farmers Information Services".

**CARRIED** 

#### 11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1

**BC Rural Center** 

Director Sperling and Director Hiebert received an email from the BC Rural Center requesting an interview, which will be held on October 29, 2021. Director Sperling will inform the Directors of the information that comes out of the interview.

MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Director Sperling,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee authorize that BC Rural Center be added to the November Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting agenda as a discussion item.

**CARRIED** 

11.2

**Cemetery Meetings** 

MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee authorize that a meeting between the Consumer Protection BC and representative from the Rural Cemeteries Caretakers be organized to talk about issues that rural cemeteries are having.

**CARRIED** 

11.2	MOVED Director Goodings, SECONDED Director Hiebert,	
Cemetery Meetings	That the Electoral Area Directors Committee authorize that the Agriculture	
(Continued)	Advisory Committee be added to the	November Electoral Area Directors
	Committee meeting as a discussion item.	
		CARRIED
11.3	MOVED Director Hiebert, SECONDED Direct	or Sperling,
CleanBC Energy Plan	That the Electoral Area Directors Committe	e authorize that a letter to be sent to
	MLA Dan Davies and MLA Mike Bernier	requesting that they bring forward
	Northern concerns regarding the CleanBC E	nergy Plan.
		CARRIED
12. DIARY		
12.1	MOVED Director Rose, SECONDED Director Hiebert,	
Diary Items	That the Electoral Area Directors Committee remove "The District of Chetwynd's	
	Participation and in the PRRD Planning Function and Financial Contribution for the	
	Construction of a new Chetwynd Library" fr	om the diary.
		CARRIED
13. ITEMS FOR INFORMAT	ION	
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13.1	The EADC Terms of Reference was included for the Committee's information.	
EADC Terms of Reference		
14. ADJOURNMENT	The Chair adjourned the Meeting at 11:35 a	um
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