



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING **MINUTES**

DATE: Thursday, August 20, 2020

PLACE: Regional District Office Boardroom, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT: **Directors**
Director Goodings, Meeting Chair
Director Sperling
Director Hiebert
Director Rose

Staff

Shawn Dahlen, Chief Administrative Officer
Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager
Kelsey Bates, Deputy Corporate Officer
Kari Bondaroff, Environmental Services Manager
Paulo Eichelberger, General Manager of Environmental Services
Trish Morgan, General Manager of Community Services
Teri Vetter, Chief Financial Officer
Trevor Ouellette, IT Manager
Hunter Rainwater, Recording Secretary

Call to Order The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Recess The Chair recessed the meeting to a Closed Session at 10:00 a.m.

Reconvene The Chair reconvened the Open meeting at 1:00 p.m.

DIRECTORS NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

Director Goodings Permissive Tax Exemptions

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee agenda for the August 20, 2020
meeting, including Director's new business, be adopted as amended:

1. **Call to Order**
 1.1. Director Goodings to Chair the meeting
2. **Directors' Notice of New Business**
3. **Adoption of Agenda**
4. **Gallery Comments or Questions**

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Adoption of agenda
continued

- 5. Adoption of Minutes**
 - 5.1. Electoral Area Directors Committee Draft Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2020
 - 5.2. Special Electoral Area Directors Committee Draft Meeting Minutes of August 7, 2020
- 6. Business Arising from the Minutes**
- 7. Delegations**
- 8. Correspondence**
 - 8.1. North Pine Farmers Institute
- 9. Reports**
 - 9.1. The Future of B.C.'s Food System, ADM-COW-002
 - 9.2. Regional District Service Establishment Process
 - 9.3. Transferring Community Recreation Facilities, CS-COW-001
 - 9.4. Electoral Area Directors Project Planning for 2021 - 2022
 - 9.5. Notice of Closed EADC Session – August 20, 2020
- 10. Discussion Item(s)**
 - 10.1. Memberships - UBCM and NCLGA
- 11. New Business**
 - 11.1 Permissive Tax Exemption
- 12. Diary**
 - 12.1. August EADC Diary
- 13. Item(s) for Information**
- 14. Adjournment**

CARRIED

GALLERY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS: None.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

5.1
June 18, 2020 - EADC
Minutes

MOVED by Director Hiebert , SECONDED by Director Sperling,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2020 be
adopted.

CARRIED

5.2
August 7, 2020 -
Special EADC Minutes

MOVED by Director Sperling SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Special Electoral Area Directors Committee Meeting Minutes of August 7,
2020 be adopted.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

The Chair requested a status update from the June 18, 2020 Minutes:

6.1 Grant Writer
Services

A survey has been posted on the PRRD Engage page to collect feedback from
community groups who have used the service. The survey has been extended to
August 24, 2020 to encourage more responses. A report summarizing the
information, along with a proposed work plan, will be brought forward to the
Electoral Area Directors to the October EADC meeting for consideration.

6.2 British Columbia
Utilities Commission
Complaint Process

Staff will forward the BCUC Complaint Guide out to the Electoral Area Directors.

6.3 Pacific Northern Gas – Update PNG suggested to Director Goodings that they have a joint call with the Department of Energy to discuss her concerns regarding access to natural gas services in rural communities. Director Goodings will forward Crystal a copy of the email Director Goodings sent to PNG.

6.4 Gotta Go The CAO advised that there may be an opportunity to give a grant for Gotta Go through function 280 or through PRA.

DELEGATIONS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

8.1
July 22, 2020 – North Pine Farmers Institute MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Hiebert, That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the email titled “North Pine Farmers Institute” for discussion.

CARRIED

Director Goodings will contact the North Pine Farmers Institute to ask more about what they would like to see in terms of help. Staff will add this topic to the speaking notes for the meeting requested with the Minister of Agriculture.

REPORTS:

9.1
June 16, 2020 - Future of Food – ADM-COW-002 from July 9, 2020 Board MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Hiebert, That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the June 16, 2020 report “The Future of B.C.’s Food System” for discussion.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Hiebert, That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend that the Regional Board invite Allison Witter, Director of Innovation, BC Ministry of Agriculture, as a delegation to a Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss the Food Security Taskforce Report following the UBCM Minister Meetings.

CARRIED

9.2
August 11, 2020 - Regional District Service Establishment Process MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Rose, That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the report titled “Regional District Service Establishment Process – ADM-EADC-017” which outlines the steps required to establish a new service with expected time frames, for discussion.

CARRIED

9.3
June 15, 2020 - Transferring Community Recreation Facilities MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Rose, That the Electoral Area Directors Committee defer the June 15, 2020 report titled “Transferring Community Recreation Facilities” to the September EADC meeting.

CARRIED

9.4
August 11, 2020 - Electoral Area Directors Project MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Rose, That the Electoral Area Directors Committee receive the report titled “Electoral Area Directors Project Planning for 2021 – 2022 – ADM- EADC-018”, which identifies potential projects for the Electoral Area Directors to focus on in 2021-2022, for

Planning for 2021-
2022

discussion and prioritization.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee authorize the Electoral Area Directors to
meet individually with staff to discuss their project priorities and budget implications
for 2021-2022.

CARRIED

9.5
August 20, 2020 –
Notice of Closed EADC
Session

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee defer the report titled “Notice of Closed
EADC Session” to the end of the meeting.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEM(S):

10.1
Memberships – UBCM
and NCLGA

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Rose,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend that the Regional Board
discuss the value of membership to UBCM, NCLGA, and FCM at a future Board
Meeting.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

11.1
Permissive Tax
Exemption

MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend that the Regional Board
authorize the preparation of a report regarding options for the Regional District to
grant permissive tax exemptions; further, that the report be provided to a future
Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

DIARY:

12.1

The Electoral Area Directors requested that staff contact Rick Anderson to find out if
he would be interested in setting up a Synergy group in the region, and if so, what
that might look like, and come to EADC as a delegation.

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Rose,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee remove the wording “Provide updates
from each meeting” from topic 4, Oil & Gas Working Groups from the Diary.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend that the Regional Board, at
the earliest opportunity, arrange a tour of the Don Nearhood Museum stationed at
the Peace Canyon Dam.

CARRIED

REPORTS:

9.5
August 20, 2020 –

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recess to a Closed Meeting for the

Notice of Closed EADC Session purpose of discussing the following items:
Agenda Item 3.1 – Closed Meeting Minutes (CC Section 97(1)(b))
Agenda Item 5.1 – Negotiations Related to a Proposed Service (CC Section 90(1)(k))

CARRIED

Recess The Chair recessed the meeting to a Closed Session at 2:25 p.m.

Reconvene The Chair reconvened the Open meeting at 2:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Original Signed By

Director Goodings, Meeting Chair

Original Signed By

Hunter Rainwater, Recording Secretary