



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MINUTES

December 12, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
1981 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC

Directors Present: Chair Rose, Electoral Area E
Vice-Chair Sperling, Electoral Area C
Director Hiebert, Electoral Area D
Alternate Director Graham, Electoral Area B (via Zoom)

Staff Present: Shawn Dahlen, Chief Administrative Officer
Roxanne Shepherd, Chief Financial Officer
Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer
Joanne Caldecott, Deputy Corporate Officer
Kari Bondaroff, General Manager of Environmental Services
Ashley Murphey, General Manager of Development Services
Kevin Clarkson, General Manager of Community Services
Daris Gillis, Environmental Services Manager
Gerritt Lacey, Solid Waste Services Manager
Trevor Ouellette, IT Manager
Ashley Dimapilis, Grants Coordinator
Olivia Lundahl, Electoral Area Officer
Kyla Traichevich, Community Services Clerk
Katherine Lovino, Administrative Clerk/Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED Director Hiebert

SECONDED Director Sperling

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee agenda for December 12, 2024 be adopted:

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3. GALLERY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Electoral Area Directors Committee Draft Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2024

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 Agriculture of the Future

6. DELEGATIONS

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Email from the Save Our Northern Seniors President Re: Seniors Aging In Place Support Services Program

8. REPORTS

9. NEW BUSINESS

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9.1 Director Sperling - Request for Discussion Re: Proposed Windfarms

10. DIARY

10.1 EADC Diary

11. CONSENT CALENDAR

11.1 EADC Terms of Reference

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

13. ADJOURNMENT

CARRIED

3. GALLERY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Electoral Area Directors Committee Draft Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2024

MOVED Director Hiebert

SECONDED Director Sperling

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2024 be adopted.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 Agriculture of the Future

Director Hiebert requested that Agenda Item 12.1 titled "Agriculture of the Future, DR - EADC – 020" from the November 14, 2024 meeting be added to the EADC Diary.

MOVED Director Hiebert

SECONDED Director Sperling

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee add Agenda Item 12.1 titled "Agriculture of the Future" from the November 14, 2024 Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting to the EADC Diary.

CARRIED

6. DELEGATIONS

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Email from Save Our Northern Seniors Re: Seniors Aging in Place Support Services Program

MOVED Director Sperling

SECONDED Alternate Director Graham

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee refer the email from Save Our Northern Seniors regarding the Seniors Aging in Place Support Services Program to the Regional Board.

CARRIED

8. REPORTS



9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Director Sperling - Request for Discussion Re: Proposed Windfarms

MOVED Director Sperling
SECONDED Director Hiebert

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee approve a New Business Item being a discussion on proposed windfarms.

CARRIED

Directors discussed the proposed wind farms that were approved as part of BC Hydro's Call to Power. They were concerned that the Minister of Energy and Climate Solutions ignored community concerns over wind farms. Directors mentioned that the province had not conducted an environmental assessment on these wind projects and was ignoring community impact studies. They noted that during the recent provincial election the Premier had recognized the need to listen more closely to rural communities including those in the North, however based on their responses (re: windfarms, emissions caps and the oil and gas industry) it seemed the province was ignoring rural communities. They emphasized that the Regional Board needed to have a discussion on these issues and explore how to move forwards. Additionally, Directors noted that recent correspondence pertaining to these issues received from ministers, business groups and independent contractors should be reviewed at that meeting.

MOVED Director Sperling
SECONDED Director Hiebert

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend that the Regional Board have a fulsome discussion at a future Committee of the Whole meeting regarding concerns about the Province's stance on the Call for Power including windfarms, environmental assessments, emission caps and impacts on industry and the economy.

CARRIED

10. DIARY

10.1 EADC Diary

11. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOVED Director Hiebert
SECONDED Director Sperling

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee accept the December 12, 2024 Consent Calendar.

CARRIED

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.



CERTIFIED a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Peace River Regional District's Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting held on December 12, 2024 in the PRRD Board Room, 1981 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC.

Dan Rose, Chair

Katherine Lovino, Administrative
Clerk/Recorder

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