



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

North Peace Rural Roads Initiative **Rural Roads Task Force Meeting**

February 25, 2020

Peace River Regional District Office – Fort St. John

Task Force Attendance

Art Jarvis
Bob Fedderly
Dave Heiberg
Jim Little

Jim Schilling
Karen Goodings
Rob Fraser

Task Force Regrets

Brad Sperling
Curtis Rogers
Doug Summer
Ernest Wiebe
Lloyd Hayden

Consultants

Jackie Kjos
Bruce Mackay
Guest

Call to Order

Karen called the meeting to order.

1. Agenda

A copy of the agenda and was provided to participants. Director Goodings called for additional agenda items. There were none.

2. Minutes

The previous meeting minutes were circulated and reviewed by participants. Director Goodings called for any errors or omissions – it was noted that “spelled” was spelled incorrectly.

Moved by Rob Fraser to “accept the minutes with the correction noted from the December 19, 2019 Rural Roads Task Force meeting”. 2nd Art Jarvis CARRIED

3. Arising from the Minutes

Karen provided a brief update on the BC Natural Resources Forum in Prince George and her short discussion with MP Bob Zimmer regarding a meeting. They agreed that a May timeframe would be best.

4. Update from Jackie

- a) Call with Dave Nikolejsin – we are challenged to build a business case for our cause in current environment.
- b) Jackie, Bruce and Steve Nicol held a brainstorming session of building an economic development case. There is nothing obvious to pursue that could generate the type of business case required to create a return on investment on the roads. It is easy to build a cost/benefit case, but not ROI. From that meeting the question arose of where the region PRRD/Northeast are going with economic development and who is looking to address the future vacuum when both Site C and the current pipeline construction to support LNG Canada are complete. There may be a need/opportunity, but it is beyond the scope of this group.

One of Steve’s recommendations was for this group to stay dialed in to what the LRMP process is doing. The task force pointed out the level of uncertainty and slow progress of the LRMP.

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5. MoTI Meeting

- a) Jackie to poll residents and industry for potential locations for pullouts sharing the criteria Hali Davenport provided at the morning meeting. Jim Schilling noted that there is a new road users' group on the Upper Halfway road. Bruce recommended that we identify gravelling priorities as well.
- b) Jackie to prepare a letter to MoTI reiterating our concerns with the condition of Beryl, Farrell and Aitken last year

6. Video Feedback

- a) The task force worked through the DRAFT video segment by segment and provided feedback for improvement and additions. Determination was to keep the long video but to create a second shorter (5-6 min) video directed only at the provincial government based on feedback from Scott Maxwell and the task force.

Director Goodings adjourned the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

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