

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

MEETING NO. 11

Thursday, August 17, 2017

PRESENT: Chair Bill Miller

Directors Eileen Benedict
Shane Brienen
Mark Fisher
Tom Greenaway
John Illes
Thomas Liversidge
Rob Newell
Mark Parker
Jerry Petersen
Darcy Repen
Gerry Thiessen

Directors Absent Taylor Bachrach, Town of Smithers
Dwayne Lindstrom, Village of Fraser Lake
Rob MacDougall, District of Fort St. James

Staff Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services –
left at 10:47 a.m.
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning – arrived at 10:47 a.m., left
at 12:06 p.m.
Rory McKenzie, Director of Environmental Services – left at
10:47 a.m.
Roxanne Shepherd, Chief Financial Officer
Corrine Swenson, Manager of Regional Economic Development
– arrived at 10:34 a.m.
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Others Tyrel Ray, Village of Fraser Lake
Marlene Erickson, Director of Aboriginal Education, College of
New Caledonia – arrived at 12:09 p.m.
Corrine George, Regional Principal, College of New Caledonia-
Lakes District Campus - arrived at 12:09 p.m.
Nicholette Prince, Regional Principal –College of New Caledonia
– Nechako Campus – arrived at 12:09 p.m.
Birdy Markert, District Principal – Aboriginal education, SD 54
(Bulkley Valley) – arrived at 12:09 p.m.

Media Flavio Nienow, LD News – arrived at 10:34 a.m., left at 10:44
a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**AGENDA &
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Petersen

2017-11-1

“That the agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board meeting of August 17, 2017 be approved as amended; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be received and dealt with at this meeting.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes
-July 20, 2017

Moved by Director Illes
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2017-11-2

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2017 be adopted as amended.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee
Meeting Minutes

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Brien

2017-11-3

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Committee Meeting Minutes:

- Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes
 - July 20, 2017 (Unapproved);
- Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes
 - June 8, 2017;
- Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes
 - July 20, 2017 (Unapproved);
- Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes
 - April 6, 2017.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Committee Meeting
Recommendations
-July 20, 2017

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2017-11-4

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve Recommendations 1 through 3 as written

**Recommendation 1:
Re: Mail Ballot Voting**

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors rescind “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Mail Ballot Authorization and Procedure Bylaw No. 1617, 2011.”

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Waste Management Committee – July 20, 2017

Recommendation 2:

Re: Salvaging of Wood Waste at RDBN Sites

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize staff to create a designated salvaging area at RDBN Transfer Stations and the Knockholt Landfill; and further, that staff complete appropriate safety measures and signage at sites to allow wood waste salvaging.”

Recommendation 3:

Re: Salvaging of Metal at RDBN Sites

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ban salvaging of metal at all RDBN Transfer Stations and Landfills.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lakes Economic Development Service – Burns Lake and District Chamber of Commerce Request

Moved by Director Illes
Seconded by Director Benedict

2017-11-5

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize contributing \$7,432 of Lakes Economic Development Service funds to the Burns Lake Chamber of Commerce for publishing 8,000 copies of the Burns Lake and Lakes District Visitors Guide.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Smithers District Chamber of Commerce-Request for Grant in Aid -Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural)

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Brienon

2017-11-6

“That the Smithers District Chamber of Commerce be given \$157.50 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural) for the “Environmental Business of the Year Award” at the 2017 Community and Business Awards.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fort St. James Rest Area License of Occupation Site Clean Up-Request for Grant in Aid -Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2017-11-7

“That up to \$10,000 from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) grant in aid monies be utilized for the reclamation of the Fort St. James rest area.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Proposed New RDBN Service Moved by Director Petersen
Braeside Community Hall Seconded by Director Illes

2017-11-8

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer's August 8, 2017 memo titled "Proposed new RDBN Service – Braeside Community Hall" amended as follows:

"the tax limit of \$5,000 results in a residential property tax rate of \$0.3025 per \$1,000 (\$30.25 on a \$100,000 property." (Based on Total Assessed Value).

amended to:

"the tax limit of \$5,000 results in a residential property tax rate of \$0.2312 per \$1,000 (\$23.12 on a \$100,000 property." (Based on Net Taxable Value)."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Braeside Community Hall
Service Establishment
Alternative Approval Process

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2017-11-9

"That the alternative approval process be used to determine approval of the electors for "Braeside Community Hall Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1808, 2017";

Further, that for the purpose of obtaining approval for the "Braeside Community Hall Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1808, 2017" using the alternative approval process, 23 be used as the fair determination of 10% of the total number of eligible electors within the Braeside Community Hall Service Establishment area;

Further, that the deadline for receiving elector responses for Bylaw No. 1808 be Monday, October 30, 2017;

And further, that the attached Elector Response Form be approved as the Elector Response Form for Bylaw No. 1808."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Chinook Comfor Ltd.
Partnership Revenue Pooling
Agreement and Chinook
Community Foundation
Constitution and Bylaws

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-11-10

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer's August 1, 2017 memo titled "Chinook Comfor Ltd. Partnership Revenue Pooling Agreement and Chinook Community Foundation Constitution and Bylaws;" and,
2. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize that "The Revenue Pooling Agreement be amended by hand in Section 4.1 (b) to cross out June 15, 2017 and add in March 15, 2018, with initials next to the change; and,
3. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the Chinook Community Foundation Constitution and Bylaws'."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Benedict mentioned the need to review the Chinook Comfor Ltd. Partnership Revenue Pooling Agreement and Chinook Community Foundation Constitution Bylaws once the "Draft" has been removed from the document.

2017 Regional Business
Forum Update

Moved by Director Illes
Seconded by Director Newell

2017-11-11

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Manager of Regional Economic Development's August 8, 2017 memo titled "2017 Regional Business Forum Update."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

July 20, 2017 Snow Survey
and Water Supply Bulletin

Moved by Director Illes
Seconded by Director Benedict

2017-11-12

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Protective Services Assistant's July 24, 2017 memo titled "July 20, 2017 Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

2017 Recycling Program Contract with Smithers and Area Recycling Society

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Repen

2017-11-13

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Deputy Director of Environmental Services' August 8, 2017 memo titled "2017 Recycling Program Contract with Smithers and Area Recycling Society."

2. Further, that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors enter into a contract with Smithers and Area Recycling Society for the proposed recycling project starting September 1 and ending December 31, 2017; and,

3. Further, that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve \$5,057.25 per month (September-December 2017) be allocated to Smithers and Area Recycling Society to carry out the proposed project."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Metal Recycling -Recommendation for Contract Award

Moved by Director Illes
Seconded by Director Parker

2017-11-14

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Director of Environmental Services' July 24, 2017 memo titled "Metal Recycling – Recommendation for Contract Award;"

2. Further, that Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors award a contract for metal recycling services for 2017, expiring January 31, 2018, to Schnitzer Steel Canada Ltd. with revenue paid to the RDBN of \$69.71/metric tonne of scrap metal recycled from RDBN sites other than the Manson Creek Landfill. Scrap metal will be removed and recycled from the Manson Creek Landfill with revenue paid at \$17.47/metric tonne."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (All Directors)

REFERRALS

Land Referral File No. 7409929 & 7409930 Takla First Nation Electoral Area "C"

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2017-11-15

"That the comment sheet titled "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral No. 7409929 & 7409930 be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Referral File Nos. 7409929 & 7409930."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (All Directors) (CONT'D)

REFERRALS (Cont'd)

Subdivision Referral File No. Moved by Director Parker
D-01-14 (Revised) Ministry of Seconded by Director Thiessen
Transportation and Infrastructure
Electoral Area "D"

2017-11-16 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors not require the property owner to provide parkland dedication as part of their subdivision of "District Lot 3192 Range 5 Coast District."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ELCTORAL AREA PLANNING (All Directors)

DVP Applications

Development Variance Permit Moved by Director Illes
No. B-01-16 John and Melanie Seconded by Director Benedict
Chretien, Electoral Area "B"

2017-11-17 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve Development Variance Permit B-01-17 for the property located at 2275 Highland Place to vary Section 12.04 (1)(a) of "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700, 1993" to reduce the rear parcel line setback from 7.5 metres (24.61 ft.) to 1.82 metres (5.97 ft.) for the proposed garage developed in general compliance with Schedule A of the permit."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rezoning & Re-application
No. A-06-17 (Kilback)
-Re-application, Electoral
Area "A"

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Brienen

2017-11-18 "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct the Building Inspectors to make recommendations regarding the filing of a notice on title of the subject property (1698 Hudson Bay Mountain Road) pursuant to Section 57 of the *Community Charter*, should the processing of Rezoning Application A-06-17 not be allowed."

Opposed: Director Benedict CARRIED

(All/Directors/Majority)

Concerns were brought forward in regard to the non-compliance of the property to the BC Building Code and the Regional District's Building Bylaw. Discussion took place regarding the potential impact to the value of the property. Strong messaging needs to be provided to the public in regard to the importance of complying with provincial and local government policies and regulations.

ELCTORAL AREA PLANNING (All Directors) (CONT'D)

DVP Applications (Cont'd)

Discussion took place in regard to implementing punitive fines to residents that choose to be in non-compliance of building regulations and bylaws.

Article – Non-Compliance of BC Building Code and RDBN Building Bylaws

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director Brien

2017-11-19

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to consult with RDBN Solicitors to draft an article for RDBN communications regarding the Regional Board’s resolution in regard to the property located at 1698 Hudson Bay Mountain Road and the potential impacts to a property, such as property values, resale (mortgaging) and insurance, if there is a notice on title.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EMERGENCY SERVICES (All Directors)

Reception Centre Memorandum of Understanding

Moved by Director Illes
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2017-11-20

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the use of the ESS Reception Centre Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) template and allow RDBN Staff to enter into ESS Reception Centre MOUs at their discretion.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9-1-1 System Maintenance Contract Renewal

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Benedict

2017-11-21

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize staff to renew the existing contract with Tower Communications for an additional 2 year term, with a contract expiration date of December 31, 2019.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER (Planning Reports)

Planning Department Reports and Correspondence

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-11-22

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following:

Planning Department Reports:

-Planning Department Enquiries Report – July 2017;
-Building Inspector’s Report -July, 2017;
-Action List – July, 2017.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Village of Telkwa – Update

Director Repen mentioned that the Village of Telkwa has been very busy with its Summer Fun in the Village program, ball hockey at the Joseph Dockrill outdoor rink and Tyhee Lake Triathlon. The Village of Telkwa has also been working on its water tower architectural and engineering studies along with moving ahead with a core infrastructure review.

Village of Granisle -Granisle Day

Director Newell commented that he attended the Village of Granisle's Granisle Day on August 12, 2017 and commented that the event was very good and provided an opportunity to provide information to attendees regarding the RDBN and the Northwest BC Resource Benefits Alliance.

Director Liversidge thanked Director Newell for attending Granisle Day and noted that John Rustad, MLA Nechako Lakes was also in attendance. Village of Granisle staff and Granisle community members have made an effort and worked hard to have a successful event.

Community of Vanderhoof -Loss of Two Young People in Tragic Accident

Director Thiessen mentioned that two young individuals were killed in a vehicle accident in a road construction site near Cluculz Lake that has been very hard for the community.

Nechako Mechanical -Vanderhoof

Director Thiessen reported that Nechako Mechanical in Vanderhoof, a fabricating facility, has 117 employees and is currently looking to hire 100 more employees. This will have a huge economical boost for the community.

Northern Development Initiative Trust Farm Tour -August 15, 2017

Director Thiessen attended a Farm Tour Day in Vanderhoof on August 15, 2017 where they visited local farms and agriculture businesses. They also attended an agriculture think tank to discussion.

Nechako Valley Exhibition -August 18-20, 2017

Director Thiessen invited everyone and their families to attend the Nechako Valley Exhibition August 18-20, 2017 in Vanderhoof.

Construction of Vanderhoof Water Tower & Vanderhoof Pool

Director Thiessen reported that the District of Vanderhoof is moving forward with the construction of a water tower for the community. The Vanderhoof Pool construction is also progressing well.

BLMBA – Big Pig Festival

Director Illes noted that the Burns Lake Mountain Biking Big Pig Festival was held August 11-13, 2017. He mentioned that the number of attendees was impacted by the wildfires in the Cariboo and throughout the province.

Thank you To Chair Miller -NW BC Resource Benefits Alliance (RBA)

Director Illes thanked Chair Miller for the RBA media release and expressed optimism for the success of the RBA in the future.

Hay Fever Music Festival -Grassy Plains

Director Benedict mentioned that the Hay Fever Music Festival that took place at Grassy Plains July 21-23, 2017 was very successful and had attendees from Prince Rupert to Quesnel. The current organizers for the event were very enthusiastic and did a good job.

VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)

Lakes District Fall Fair September 8-10, 2017 Burns Lake

Director Benedict invited everyone to attend the Lakes District Fall Fair that will be held September 8-10, 2017. This event attendance has been increasing yearly.

Village of Granisle -Physician Twice a Week

Director Liversidge mentioned that the Village of Granisle has a physician visiting the community twice a week and has also purchased property in the community.

The pharmacy in the Village of Granisle is open four days a week and is a great bonus to the community.

Northwest BC Resource Benefits Alliance (RBA)

Chair Miller mentioned that he along with Phil Germuth and Barry Pages, Chairs of the Northwest Resource Benefits Alliance and Lee Brain, Mayor, Prince Rupert met with the new provincial government ministers, MLAs and senior staff to begin discussions regarding revenue sharing for the Northwest. They met with Andrew Weaver, BC Green Party Leader and provided the history of the RBA. Mr. Weaver extended his support and asked that he be kept apprised of discussions with the Provincial Government.

They met with Geoff Meggs, Chief of Staff to Premier John Horgan due to Premier Horgan having prior commitments and being unable to attend. Chair Miller mentioned that the RBA received a positive response from Mr. Meggs and he ensured the RBA that the provincial government lead in further discussions with the RBA would need to have the authority to oversee all ministries due to the cross regional approach of the RBA.

They also had meetings with Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Deputy Minister Carole James, Minister of Finance and Jennifer Rice, Parliamentary Secretary via teleconference.

Chair Miller commented that the RBA will be moving forward with its business case at the end of September, 2017 to hopefully begin negotiations and further discussions in October, 2017.

The Postmen – Disaster Relief

Chair Miller mentioned that the disaster relief group "The Postmen" have opened a drop off location in Burns Lake and are collecting items to deliver to areas impacted by wildfire in the Cariboo Chilcotin area.

Receipt of Verbal Reports

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Repen

2017-11-23

"That the verbal reports of the various Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Directors be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE

Men of the North Society
– Request for Letter of Support
Re: Training Centre

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-11-24

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support to the Men of the North Society for its Training Centre.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CivicInfo 2017 UBCM
Convention – Meeting
Requests with the Minister of
Municipal Affairs and Housing
& Union of B.C. Municipalities
Meeting Requests 2017

Chair Miller noted that during his meeting with the new provincial government in regard to the RBA the government expressed its openness to listen and bridge the gap between rural and urban B.C.

The Regional Board requested staff to request the following Minister Meetings at the 2017 Union of B.C. Municipalities Convention on September 25 to 29, 2017 in Vancouver.

- **Minister of Health** (Jerry Petersen – introductions)
 - Fort St. James Hospital Replacement (Rob MacDougall and Tom Greenaway)
 - Seniors Health Care and gap in assisted living (Darcy Repen & Gerry Thiessen)
 - Resource Benefits Alliance
- **Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure** (Bill Miller – introductions)
 - Colleymount Road (Eileen Benedict)
 - Need for more passing lanes on Hwy 16 (Bill Miller)
 - Northroad (Fort St. James to Mackenzie Connector) – opposition to change from MOTI Road to Forestry Road (Tom Greenaway)
 - Resource Benefits Alliance
- **Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing** (Bill Miller – introductions)
 - Housing – prohibitive creating housing due to regulations and owner/builder restrictions (Gerry Thiessen & Darcy Repen)
 - Resource Benefits Alliance
- **Minister of Energy Mines and Petroleum Resources (Also Jennifer Rice if Possible)** (Bill Miller and Rob Newell)
 - Tailings Ponds (Equity Mine Dam Safety)
 - Oil and Gas Commission Process
 - Resource Benefits Alliance
- **Network BC (Rob Newell)**
 - Internet and cell phone connectivity
 - Resource Benefits Alliance
- **Minister of Agriculture** (Mark Parker – lead and Mark Fisher – support)
 - Tree planting agricultural land for carbon offsets
 - Foreign ownership of agricultural land
 - Agricultural Land Commission (support)
 - Resource Benefits Alliance

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

- Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development (Gerry Thiessen & Bill Miller)

- Wildfires (inability to protect resources)
- Community Wildfire Protection Plans
- Spruce Beetle
- Harvesting practices (landscape objectives)
- Grizzly Bear Population (impacts on ranchers and communities) (Shane Brienen)
- Jobs & Rural Development (Fibre Supply, other)
- Resource Benefits Alliance

-Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (Mark Fisher)

- Zero Waste
- Landfill Guidelines
- Resource Benefits Alliance
- Water Licensing

-Minister of Finance (Darcy Repen)

- Clean Water and Waste Water Fund (release of funds, allocation formulas and timelines)
- Infrastructure Funding
- Resource Benefits Alliance

-Minister of Mental Health and Addictions (Eileen Benedict and Gerry Thiessen)

- Youth and Adult Mental Health Services
- Opioid Crisis
- Resource Benefits Alliance

-Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General (Also Jennifer Rice if Possible)

- Provincial Download of Emergency Preparedness (Bill Miller)
- Tailings Ponds (Equity Mine Dam Safety)
- Flood Mitigation
- Resource Benefits Alliance
- Dikes

Northern B.C. Helicopter
Emergency Rescue Operations
Society – Request for Letter of
Support

Moved by Director Illes
Seconded by Director Petersen

2017-11-25

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Northern B.C. Helicopter Emergency Rescue Operations Society request for Letter of Support.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

Administration Correspondence

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-11-26

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following correspondence:

- Town of Smithers – Bulkley Valley Regional Pool Advisory Committee Appointments;
- Northern Society for Domestic Peace - Quarterly Reporting;
- Metro Vancouver – UBCM Resolutions on Electric Vehicle Charging in Stratified Multi-Unit Residential Buildings;
- Union of B.C. Municipalities – Gas Tax Agreement Community Works Fund Payment;
- Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary School Junior Curling Team – Thank You for Grant in Aid;
- Fort St. James Humane Society – Thank You for Grant in Aid;
- District of Squamish – Request for Support of Resolutions at UBCM Convention;
- City of New Westminster – Request for Support of Resolutions at UBCM Convention;
- Executive Council of the B.C. Government Making Nature Count – Municipal Natural Assets Initiative – Call for Expressions of Interest;
- Interior Health – Info Bulletin – 100 Mile Emergency Department is Open;
- Northern Health
 - Wildfire July 14 Update
 - Wildfire July 21 Update
 - Wildfire July 28 Update;
- Northern Health – Media Bulletin- Blue-green Algae Tips for Summer – Have Fun But be Safe Around the Lake;
- UBCM Convention Bulletin #1;
- Union of B.C. Municipalities
 - Federal Flood Ready Initiative
 - National Disaster Mitigation Program Funding
 - Chief Elected Officials Forum
 - Liquor Policy Working Group Update
 - Police Resources Impacted by Wildfire Situation
 - Funding for Asset Management
 - Abandoned Boats Funding Information Session
 - Rail Safety Improvement Program Funding
 - RCMP Contract Management Committee Update
 - In Memoriam – Councillor Andrée Janyk, Whistler
 - Input Sought for Convention Forums
 - Highlights of the July 2017 Executive Meeting
 - UBCM Supports Report on the Opioid Crisis
 - UBCM Welcomes Convention Keynote Terry Milewski
 - Funding & Resources Update
 - Municipal Natural Assets Initiative
 - Responsible Conduct Report Released

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

INVITATIONS

-BC Natural Resources Forum – January 16-18, 2018 – Prince George, B.C.;
-B.C. Community Forest Association - 2018 BCCFA Conference and AGM – May 24-26, 2018, Burns Lake, B.C.

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BC Natural Resources Forum
– January 16-18, 2018
– Prince George, B.C.

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-11-27

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize the attendance of the Chair and Chief Administrative Officer at the BC Natural Resources Forum, January 16-18, 2018 in Prince George, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Regional Board requested staff to bring forward the invitation to the Rural Directors Committee meeting for their consideration.

FINANCIAL

Operating Accounts
-July, 2017

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2017-11-28

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify the Operating Accounts – Paid July, 2017.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

READING FILE

Reading File

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-11-29

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Reading File:

- BC Chamber of Commerce – Insight – Know What’s on BC’s Mind;
- Canada Wood Group – Canada Wood Global Markets Newsletter – August 2017;
- Canfor – July 26, 2017 - Reports Results for Second Quarter of 2017;
- Clean Energy Review:
 - August 9, 2017 – Get Practical Tips for a Wastewater System Upgrade
 - July 31, 2017 - Guess Who’s Getting an EV
 - July 24, 2017 – What’s on BC’s Horizon
 - July 17, 2017 – It took a Century
 - July 10, 2017 – Volvo Doesn’t Hold Back;
- Cumulative Impacts Research Consortium (CIRC) – Summer Updates;

READING FILE (CONT'D)

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities - Voice
 - July 27, 2017 – 2018 Sustainable Communities Awards/Make Infrastructure Count!/Abandoned Boats Program
 - July 13, 2017 – Ending Poverty Starts Locally/Sustainable Development Goals/Federal Environmental and Regulatory Review;
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities:
 - August 9 2017 - Get Practical Tips for a Wastewater System Upgrade
 - July 2017 – Ending Poverty Starts Locally
 - July 2017 – Presidents Corner
 - July 20, 2017 - Sustainable Communities Awards: Learn More and Apply;
 - July 20, 2017 – Make Infrastructure Count!/Survey Launches July 24th;
- Northern BC Tourism:
 - July 26, 2017 – Wildfire Update & Survey
 - July 21, 2017 – Call for Board of Directors Nominations
 - July 20, 2017 – Register for the 2017 Tourism Summit!
 - July 13, 2017 – Special Bulletin – Wildfires;
- Resource Works Newsletter:
 - August 10, 2017 – Canada Depends on Energy Exports
 - July 27, 2017 – Many losers as Petronas Pulls Plug
 - July 13, 2017 – Stand up for BC's Rural People and Resources
 - July 13, 2017 – Links fixed: Resource Works Newsletter; With Apologies;
- Rio Tinto Alcan - Nechako Reservoir Flow Facts:
 - July 29 to August 4, 2017
 - July 22 to July 28, 2017
 - July 15 to July 21, 2017
 - July 8 to July 14, 2017
 - July 1 to July 7, 2017
 - June 24 to June 30, 2017;
- Whistler Centre for Sustainability – Hot Topic for the Summer!"

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION BYLAWS

Bylaw For First, Second & Third Reading

No. 1808 – Braeside
Community Hall Service
Establishment

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2017-11-30

"That "Braeside Community Hall Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1808, 2017" be given first, second, and third reading this 17th day of August, 2017."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION BYLAWS (CONT'D)

Bylaw For First, Second, Third Reading & Adoption

No. 1811 – RDBN Mail Ballot
Authorization and Procedure
Repeal Bylaw Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Fisher

2017-11-31

“That “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Mail Ballot Authorization and Procedure Repeal Bylaw No. 1811, 2017” be given first, second, third reading and adoption this 17th day of August, 2017.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

REPORTS

Proposed New RDBN Service
Laidlaw Street Lights Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Brienen

2017-11-32

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer’s August 15, 2017 memo titled “Proposed new RDBN Service –Laidlaw Street Lights:”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Laidlaw Street Lights
Service Establishment
Alternative Approval Process

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Parker

2017-11-33

“That the alternative approval process be used to determine approval of the electors for “Laidlaw Street Lighting Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1809, 2017”;

Further, that for the purpose of obtaining approval for the “Laidlaw Street Lighting Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1809, 2017” using the alternative approval process, 19 be used as the fair determination of 10% of the total number of eligible electors within the Braeside Community Hall Service Establishment area;

Further, that the deadline for receiving elector responses for Bylaw No. 1809 be Monday, October 30, 2017;

And further, that the attached Elector Response Form be approved as the Elector Response Form for Bylaw No. 1809.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Town of Smithers – CWPP
and Wildfire Risk to Local
Governments

Moved by Director Illes
Seconded by Director Newell

2017-11-34

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the correspondence from the Town of Smithers re: CWPP and Wildfire Risk to Local Governments.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ELECTORAL AREA PLANNING (All Directors)

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director Newell

2017-11-35

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following correspondence:

-Marylou and Pat Westman RE: Rezoning & Re-application No.A-06-17 (Kilback) Electoral Area “A”;
-J. Deacon-Rodgers RE: Rezoning & Re-application No.A-06-17 (Kilback) Electoral Area “A”.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING

No. 1809 – Laidlaw Street
Lighting Service
Establishment

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Newell

2017-11-36

“That “Laidlaw Street Lighting Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1809, 2017” be given first, second and third reading this 17th day of August, 2017.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

City of Prince George
UBCM Resolution – Support
For Forest Dependent
Communities

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director Illes

2017-11-37

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors co-sponsor and support the City of Prince George’s resolution to the Union of B.C. Municipalities for consideration at the 2017 UBCM Convention titled:

Municipal Resolution to Support Forest Dependent Communities:

WHEREAS the expired Softwood Lumber Agreement between Canada and US failed to address the needs of workers and Forest Dependent Communities; and

WHEREAS in the absence of a new, negotiated Softwood Lumber Agreement, in 2017 the US has begun a series of escalating duties that will threaten the very existence of forest dependent communities across Canada; and

WHEREAS industry may take the step of moving production to other countries and shutting Canadian mills for the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS Forestry is one of the foundations on which Canada’s prosperity has been built, supporting over 259,000 family-supporting jobs and contributing approximately \$22.1 billion to Canada’s GDP; and

WHEREAS Forestry is a renewable industry and can be a perpetual source of sustainable jobs; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Council support a campaign aimed at securing, through fair negotiation with the United States, a softwood lumber agreement that puts the interests of communities, forestry workers and their families first.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rio Tinto Alcan

Chair Miller mentioned that he recently spoke with Phil Germuth, Mayor, City of Kitimat in regard to Rio Tinto Alcan. The City of Kitimat has similar concerns and issues with Rio Tinto Alcan as communities in the Nechako Reservoir. He spoke of Rio Tinto Alcan potentially applying for a provincial tax cap available to marine export industries that would substantially reduce taxation for Rio Tinto Alcan. Discussion took place regarding the need to form a working group with First Nations and other community stakeholders, similar to the structure of the RBA, to bring forward topics of concerns with industry and corporations.

Discussion took place in regard to the impacts that occur along the Nechako River and watershed with the raising and lowering of the water levels by Rio Tinto Alcan. Frustrations were expressed in regard to the lack of communication with Rio Tinto Alcan, the impacts to the watershed, hay crops along the river and the air quality in the Northwest Regional Hospital District.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Repen

2017-11-38

“That the meeting be adjourned at 12:21 p.m.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bill Miller, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant