

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, May 28, 2015

PRESENT: Chairperson Jerry Petersen

Directors Eileen Benedict
Tom Greenaway
Dwayne Lindstrom
Thomas Liversidge
Rob MacDougall
Bill Miller
Mark Parker
Gerry Thiessen – arrived at 10:30 a.m.

Director Absent Luke Strimbold, Village of Burns Lake

Alternate Director John Illes, Village of Burns Lake

Staff Gail Chapman, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Others Darci Burtch, Canadian Animal Assistance Team
Valerie Ingram, Lakes Animal Friendship
Lois Martin, Lakes Animal Friendship
Mark Fisher, Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural) – arrived at 10:30 a.m.
Darcy Repen, Village of Telkwa
Alistair Schroff, Lakes Animal Friendship

CALL TO ORDER Chair Petersen called the meeting to order at 10:22 a.m.

AGENDA & SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Director Benedict

SNRHD-2015-5-1 “That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Agenda of May 28, 2015 be approved and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be received.”

(All/Directors/Majority) **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MINUTES

Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Meeting Minutes – April 30, 2015 Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Miller

SNRHD-2015-5-2 “That the minutes of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District meeting of April 30, 2015 be adopted.”

(All/Directors/Majority) **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Financial Statements **-March 31, 2015**

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Lindstrom

SNRHD-2015-5-3

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the Treasurer’s May 14, 2015 memo titled “Financial Statements – March 31, 2015.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Northern Health Capital **Spending Reports,** **March 31, 2015**

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Alternate Director Illes

SNRHD-2015-5-4

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the Treasurer’s May 14, 2015 memo titled “Northern Health Capital Spending Reports, March 31, 2015.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Northern Health – News **Release – Northern Health** **Board Celebrates Unique** **Physiotherapy Clinic in Prince** **Rupert, and Sepsis Screening** **Successes**

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director MacDougall

SNRHD-2015-5-5

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the correspondence from Northern Health titled “News Release – Northern Health Board Celebrates Unique Physiotherapy Clinic in Prince Rupert, and Sepsis Screening Successes.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Fort St. James Dr. Anthon **Meyer Receives My Family** **Doctor Award**

Director MacDougall mentioned that Fort St. James Dr. Anthon Meyer was nominated and selected to receive the My Family Doctor Award. The My Family Doctor Award is a patient nominated award that celebrates the doctor-patient relationship.

Dr. Stent Retiring in Fort St. **James**

Director MacDougall noted that Dr. Stent is retiring today and will become a locum doctor. Fort St. James will be recruiting for his position.

Northern Medical Programs **Trust Annual General Meeting**

Director Miller, while at the North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) Annual Convention in Prince George, May 6-8, 2015 attended the Northern Medical Programs Trust (NMPT) Annual General Meeting. Director Miller mentioned that the review of the program completed in 2014 has moved the NMPT in a very positive direction. The program has been in existence for a number of years and is now seeing the results of doctors graduating and staying and or returning to northern BC.

VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)

Meeting with Northern Health at NCLGA

Chair Petersen mentioned that he met with Northern Health at NCLGA and discussions took place regarding the replacement of the Stuart Lake Hospital in Fort St. James. Northern Health indicated that it is number one on their list of priority replacements but has not yet been placed on the province of BC's list. Northern Health requested that further discussions take place at the Union of B.C. Municipalities Convention in September, 2015 prior to the SNRHD Board of Directors meeting with the Minister of Health.

Director Lindstrom also met with Northern Health during NCLGA to bring forward the issues in Fraser Lake in regard to the doctor shortage. Northern Health has secured one half time doctor and is currently hoping to sign a second half time doctor to replace the doctor that is leaving.

Northern Health Spring Meeting

Chair Petersen reported that along with Hans Berndorff, Treasurer he attended the Northern Health Spring meeting. Discussion took place regarding Northern Health's capital expenditures in the SNRHD: Burns Lake Hospital tear down and parking lot completion, Stuart Lake Hospital sprinkler system and the Fraser Lake Treatment Centre heating system.

Pilot Project in Fort St. James

Director MacDougall spoke of the pilot project in Fort St. James and the payment structure received by the Doctors for general medical care and emergency on call work. The Medical Clinic is managed by a society and an agreement is in place with Northern Health for compensation for patients seen at the clinic.

Director MacDougall mentioned the benefits of having Northern Health come to a future Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District meeting to discuss the medical pilot project in Fort St. James.

Receipt of Verbal Reports

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Director Benedict

SNRHD.2015-5-6

"That the verbal reports of the various Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Northern Health – Invitation to Meet with Northern Health Board

Moved by Director Liversidge
Seconded by Director Greenaway

SNRHD.2015-5-7

"That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the invitation from Northern Health titled "Invitation to Mnechakoeet with Northern Health Board."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Selling Farm Fresh Eggs in Local Health Food Store

Director Miller mentioned that the local health food store in Burns Lake is no longer able to sell farm fresh eggs due to Northern Health regulations. Concerns were discussed regarding the ability to purchase local produce and the impact that this may have on local farmers and businesses. Further information regarding the regulations will be brought forward at a future Rural Directors Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Liversidge

SNRHD-2015-5-8

“That the meeting be adjourned at 10:41 a.m.”

Jerry Petersen, Chairperson

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant