

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

MEETING NO. 11

Thursday, July 19, 2018

PRESENT: Chair Bill Miller

Directors Chris Beach – left at 12:08 p.m., arrived at 12:52 p.m.
Shane Brienen
Mark Fisher
Tom Greenaway
Rob MacDougall
Rob Newell
Mark Parker
Jerry Petersen
Darcy Repen
Gerry Thiessen

Directors Absent Taylor Bachrach, Town of Smithers
Eileen Benedict, Electoral Area “E” (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural)
Dwayne Lindstrom, Village of Fraser Lake
Thomas Liversidge, Village of Granisle

Alternate Directors Gladys Atrill, Town of Smithers – left at 2:20 p.m.
Carol Imus, Electoral Area “E” (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural)

Staff Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services
–left at 12:08 p.m.
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning –left at 11:35 a.m.,
returned at 1:55 p.m. , left at 2:35 p.m.
Corrine Swenson, Manager of Regional Economic Development
–left at 11:29 a.m., returned at 12:07 p.m.
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Others Carey McIver, Carey McIver & Associates – left at 12:08 p.m.
Lauren Quan, Project Engineer, Tetra Tech Canada Inc. – left at
12:08 p.m.
Dawn Stronstad, RPF, Stewardship Forester, Nadina District,
Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and
Rural Development – left at 11:32 a.m.
Brent May, District Manager, Nadina District, Ministry of Forests,
Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development –
left at 11:32 a.m.
Susan Scheinbien, Burns Lake – left at 12:08 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

**AGENDA &
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Petersen

2018-11-1

“That the agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board meeting of July 19, 2018 be approved; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be received and dealt with at this meeting.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes
-May 24, 2018

Moved by Director Brienen
Seconded by Director Beach

2018-11-2

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2018 be adopted.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS, NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT – Dawn Stronstad, RPF, Stewardship Forester, Nadina District RE: Lakes TSA Timber Supply Review

Chair Miller welcomed Dawn Stronstad, RPF, Stewardship Forester, Nadina District, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Ms. Stronstad provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Presentation Outline

- Timber Supply Review (TSR) Objectives and Process
- Lakes Timber Supply Area (TSA) Context
- Lakes Data Package Summary

Timber Supply Review (TSR)

- Provide Chief Forester with the information needed to make Annual Allowable Cuts (AAC) determination
- Update timber supply picture to reflect current management
- Identify information gaps and areas of uncertainty to set priorities for data collection and research

TSR Principles

- Consistent with legislated mandate
- Uses best available information
- Based on current forest management practices, land base, and policies: based on “**what is**”
- Open and transparent, allowing review and input from the public, First Nations and other interests
- Rigorous and thorough deliberation

DELEGATION (CONT'D)

MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS, NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT – Dawn Stronstad, RPF, Stewardship Forester, Nadina District RE: Lakes TSA Timber Supply Review (CONT'D)

Annual Allowable Cuts (AAC)

What are AAC?

- An AAC is an allowed rate of harvest (usually volume) from a specified area of land
- AACs are decisions that reflect a balance among biological, environmental, economic & social factors

Why do we determine AACs?

- To ensure a sustainable & regulated flow of timber
- Stability of revenues & communities
- Allocation of harvesting rights to licensees
- Others: impact analyses, targets?

TSR Process

- Data package
 - First Nations consultation process
 - Public review process
- Timber supply analysis
- Analysis report and public discussion paper
 - First Nations consultation process
 - Public review process
- Chief forester
 - Legislation
 - Social and economic objectives of the Crown
- AAC determination and written rationale

Lakes TSA (Timber Supply Area) Context:

Mountain Pine Beetle

- 54 million m³ of pine trees killed (1999 “TSA”)
- 26 million m³ of pine trees logged
 - 15 million m³ dead logged
- Percentage of pine (live and dead) relative to total harvest is declining
- Most of the trees killed in 2005

Annual Allowable Cut (AAC)

Year	Lakes TSA AAC (m3)	Other Lands AAC (m3)	Total AAC (m3)
1999	1,500,000	21,098	1,521,098
2000	Mountain Pine Beetle Outbreak Begins		
2001	2,962,000	91,908	3,053,908
2004	3,162,000	390,026	3,552,026
2013	Mountain Pine Beetle Outbreak Ends		
2016	1,648,660	731,739	2,380,399
2018	1,648,660	580,210	2,228,870
Average AAC (1999-2017)	2,400,000	500,000	2,900,000
Average Harvest Level (1999-2017)	1,600,000	300,000	1,900,000

DELEGATION (CONT'D)

MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS, NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT – Dawn Stronstad, RPF, Stewardship Forester, Nadina District RE: Lakes TSA Timber Supply Review (CONT'D)

Data Package Overview

- Summarizes information and assumptions proposed to conduct a timber supply analysis
- Available for public review and First Nations consultation
- Consistent with legislated mandate
- Uses best available information
- Based on current forest management practices, land base, and policies: based on “**what is**”
- Open and transparent, allowing review and input from the public, First Nations and other interests
- Rigorous and thorough deliberation

Data Package Content

- Major forest management considerations
- Inventories
- Land Base Classification
- Forest Management Assumptions
- Sensitivity Analysis

Major Forest Management Considerations

- Biodiversity
- Equivalent clear-cut area
- Forest health MPB (Mountain Pine Beetle), Spruce Beetle, rusts
- Land base changes
- Marginally economic stands
- Minimum harvestable volume
- Shelf-life
- Visual quality (legally established objective)
- Wildlife, including habitat supply

Inventories

- Over 30 inventories
 - Land base definition
 - Areas where specific forest management activities apply
 - Areas where specific objectives must be accounted for
- All inventories available publicly, mostly within the British Columbia Geographic Warehouse

Land Base Classification

1. Gross Land Base = 1 577 450 ha
2. Crown Forested Land Base (CFMLB)
 - Land not administered by FLNRO for timber supply purpose (e.g. private lands community forests)
 - Non-forested areas and roads
 - 1 023 912 hectares removed
3. Gross Harvesting Land Base (GHLB) = 462 109 ha
 - Parks and protected areas
 - Old growth management areas
 - Goat winter range
 - Rare and hydro-riparian ecosystems
 - 91 429 hectares removed

DELEGATION (CONT'D)

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4. Timber Harvesting Land Base (THLB) = 370 598 ha
 - Inoperable areas
 - Low productivity sites
 - Non-merchantable types
 - Riparian areas
 - Wildlife tree retention
 - 91 511 hectares removed
5. Net Crown Forest Management Land Base (CFMLB) Classification
 - Total area: 553 538

Forest Management Assumptions

- Utilization levels (i.e. size of trees)
- Deciduous component of conifer-leading stands excluded
- Minimum harvestable volume
- Shelf-life of mountain pine beetle-killed stands
- Un-salvaged losses due to insect, disease, fire, or wind
- Basic Silviculture
- Incremental Silviculture
- Rust impacts (pine)
- About 214 000 ha of managed young stands (<50 years old) on the THLB
- Biodiversity and hydrology
- Wildlife requirements
- Scenic areas
- Lots of overlap amongst connectivity corridors, wildlife areas and scenic areas

Sensitivity Analysis

- **Purpose of Sensitivity Analysis**
 - Help understand implications of uncertainty around:
 - Data
 - Management assumptions
 - Can be used to determine which variables have the greatest influence on harvest forecasts
- **Examples of Proposed Sensitivity Analysis**
 - Data
 - Use RESULTS rather than rust survey data to estimate rust impact
 - Management Assumptions
 - Increase shelf-life to 20 years
 - Reduce minimum harvestable volume to 140 m³/ha and 100 m³/ha
 - Variables
 - Limit equivalent clearcut area to 30%, by watershed
 - THLB changes by ± 5%

How it all fits together, the process today in relation to the process...

Example: Morice Timber Supply Review – 2015

- Data Package – July 2013
- Public Discussion Paper – April 2014
- Base Case from Public Discussion Paper: AAC 2.1, dropping to 1.6, up to 1.9

AAC Determination – March 2015: 1.9 million m³ (no more than 1.6 from live trees); from 2020 1.6 million m³ – Chief Forester balances all the information

DELEGATION (CONT'D)

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Where the process is at Today

- Data Package – Currently

Input is Vital!

- What is important?
- What information should be incorporated in the data package?

Director Beach questioned that ability for industry to log on steep slopes as is done in other locations within the province. Ms. Stronstad commented that the Data Package doesn't restrict logging steep slopes but it speaks to practices in the past and to date and there is the ability to review optional practices to adjust to major changes moving forward.

Director Repen spoke of the second growth timeline for harvesting and questioned if climate change is considered regarding the regrowth patterns. Ms. Stronstad noted that there are a number of factors taken into account such as species, transition of species movement of seed lots to other locations, etc. She will provide further information to Director Repen in regard to the minimum age of the second growth timeline patterns for harvesting and the consideration of climate change.

Discussion took place in regard to higher density planting to address rust impacts and regrowth patterns. Ms. Stronstad noted that Forest Stewardship Plans from research generated provides the minimum density of 2 metres and in some difficult areas 1.5 metre spacing is utilized. Approximately three years ago the FLRNORD Lakes District, District Manager conducted a review of the planting practices and determined that it was not meeting certain tests and that the increase in density and diversity needed to be adjusted. The licensees in their Forest Stewardship Plans made adjustments in the planting of trees to address the issues.

Director Thiessen asked if there will be a need to reduce licensees if there is a reduction to the cut. Brent May, District Manager, Nadina District, FLNRORD noted that the Chief Forester will make the AAC determination and the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development makes the decision in regard to the apportionment.

Discussion took place in regard to forest practices needing to be more flexible to adjust to changes in forestry. Director Beach questioned how a community and stakeholders can provide input to encourage more flexibility to allow for changes occurring. Ms. Stronstad commented that certain considerations like augmas and Visual Quality Objectives are legally established and is not a component of the Chief Forester's ability to change when reviewing the Timber Supply and determining the Annual Allowable Cut. There is opportunity to harvest inside visual quality areas with careful consideration in regard to harvesting techniques in those areas.

Ms. Stronstad noted that public meetings are being held in regard to fire mitigation and fire smarting homes. She spoke to research in regard to logging changing fire behavior but still burning forests and one of the main concerns being the embers that blow from a fire. Mr. May mentioned that the Province of B.C recently released new provincial fire maps. He is in discussions with Burns Lake Community Forest, Chinook Community Forest and a fuel specialist with FLNRORD and is wanting to work with community forests to determine the risks and develop a plan. He will provide more information as the plan moves forward. He also spoke of the funding that is available from the Forest Enhancement Society to licensees to harvest the low economic wood that can assist in community fire mitigation efforts. Fire and fuel management in relation to a community or Timber Supply Analysis may affect the timing and location of a harvest but doesn't affect the amount of harvest because there is an AAC.

DELEGATION (CONT'D)

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Chair Miller spoke of the importance of the data package of providing information to the Chief Forester to assist in their understanding of the impacts and potential opportunities that may exist. He also noted that any small change will have an impact.

Chair Miller thanked Ms. Stronstad for attending the meeting.

DELEGATIONS

TETRA TECH – Carey Mclver, Carey Mclver & Associates and Lauren Quan, Project Engineer, Tetra Tech Canada Inc. RE: SWMP Overview

Chair Miller welcomed Carey Mclver, Carey Mclver and Associates and Lauren Quan, Project Engineer, Tetra Tech Canada Inc.

Ms. Mclver provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Defining the Funding Gap
3. Closing the Gap – External Scan
4. Closing the Gap – Options for RDBN

Introduction

SWMP Update: Asses' Cost Recovery through User Fees

Issue: Cost recovery funded through primarily taxation versus tipping fees provides limited incentive to reduce, reuse and recycle

- a. Develop a strategy to increase cost recovery from municipal solid waste and other materials in the RDBN
- b. **Current Cost Recovery**
 - o Taxes – 82%
 - o Grants – 9%
 - o Recycling – 4%
 - o User Fees – 5%
- c. Other Regional Districts
 - o Kitimat-Stikine – 33%
 - o Peace River – 38%
 - o RDFFG – 50%
 - o Cariboo – 20%
 - o Thompson-Nicola (excluding Kamloops) – 25%

Defining the Funding Gap

Ms. Mclver provided a Proposed 5-Year Financial Plan, Proposed 10-Year Capital Plan and Funding Gap – Worst Case Scenario.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

TETRA TECH – Carey McIver, Carey McIver & Associates and Lauren Quan, Project Engineer, Tetra Tech Canada Inc. RE: SWMP Overview (CONT'D)

Closing the Gap-External Scan

	RDBN	CRD	RDEK	PRRD	RDFFG	TNRD	RDKS
Population	37,896	61,988	60,439	62,942	94,506	42,663*	37,367
Area	73,361	80,610	27,542	117,388	50,676	44,150	104,465
Density	0.5	0.8	2.2	0.5	1.9	1.0	0.4
Disposal Rate	600	748	561	685	844	531	769
Taxation	90%	49%	82%	38%	50%	80%	36%
User Fees	5%	NA	15%	26%	50%	20%	47%
Commercial Fees	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Residential Fees	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Cariboo Regional District

- Pop: 61,988
- Area: 80,610 km²
- Density: 0.8 persons/ km²
- Disposal Rate: 748 kg/cap
- Facilities:
 - 14 Landfills
 - 18 Transfer Stations
- Revenue: \$8,464,776
- Expense: \$8,464,779

CRD-Why User Fees?

- 2013 SWMP goal to move towards user pay approach
- Recognition that tax based fee structure does not encourage waste reduction
- Advisory Committee and public concerned about increased illegal dumping
- Moderate public support (56.3%)
- Move slowly towards user pay in sync with infrastructure to collect fees

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

TETRA TECH – Carey McIver, Carey McIver & Associates and Lauren Quan, Project Engineer, Tetra Tech Canada Inc. RE: SWMP Overview (CONT'D)

CRD-Costs to Implement?

- At first kept costs low
- Fees for commercial loads only – more waste per load
- Easy to administer (accounts)
- Weight based as scaled facilities – scale software
- Volume based for commercial at rural sites
- Commercial haulers won't dump in the bush
- Residential free for first 450 kg
- Charge for large loads over 450 kg

CRD-Public Response?

- Residents don't want user fees
- Preferred previous 24/7 access
- Residents don't want the hassle of paying at sites (i.e. slow them down)
- Fear of illegal dumping
- Support for user fees from municipalities (Williams Lake)

CRD –Lessons Learned?

- Make sure you know your costs then determine the fees
- Works best with scales
- User fees go hand-in-hand with access to recycling
- Phased in approach has been successful
- Challenge is rural sites

Regional District of East Kootenay

- Pop: 60,439
- Area: 27,542 km²
- Density: 2.2 persons/ km²
- Disposal Rate: 561 kg/cap
- Facilities:
 - 2 landfills
 - 5 urban transfer stations
 - 15 rural transfer stations
- Revenue: \$8,656,670
- Expense: \$8,656,670

RDEK Cost Recovery Policy

- Solid waste system almost entirely funded through tax base
- Tipping fees in place for some items and only enforced at attended transfer stations and landfills
- Free disposal of sorted MSW for commercial and residential
- Unsorted commercial charged \$100 per tonne

Peace River Regional District

- Pop: 62,942
- Area: 117,388 km²
- Density: 0.5 persons/ km²
- Disposal Rate: 685 kg/cap
- Facilities:
 - 3 Regional Landfills
 - 16 Attended Transfer Stations
 - 13 Unattended Transfer Stations
- Revenue: \$14,702,318
- Expense: \$14,702,318

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

TETRA TECH – Carey McIver, Carey McIver & Associates and Lauren Quan, Project Engineer, Tetra Tech Canada Inc. RE: SWMP Overview (CONT'D)

PRRD-Why User Fees?

- User fees have been in place since 1998 at attended transfer stations and landfills
- 2008 SWMP supported user fees wherever possible to encourage waste reduction
- Seen as fair approach to pay for services
- Weight based if scales, volume based if not
- Fees coincide with improved services

PRRD – Costs to Implement?

- Capital infrastructure
- 2012 Capital Build – 6 more attended transfer stations
- Scales and/or Attendant Shack - Additional Staff

PRRD – Response/Lessons Learned?

- Public supportive if combined with additional services
- Rural residents like improved services but still unhappy about fees
- User fees allow a “carrot and stick” approach to diversion
- Rates for unsorted commercial loads need to be higher to promote more diversion
- Illegal dumping addressed with free clean up coupons

Regional District of Fraser-Fort George

- Pop: 94,506
- Area: 50,676 km²
- Density: 1.9 persons/ km²
- Disposal Rate: 844 kg/cap
- Facilities:
 - 3 Landfills
 - 17 Transfer Stations
- Revenue: \$10,827,230
- Expense: \$10,827,230

Thompson-Nicola Regional District (Excluding City of Kamloops)

- Pop: 42,663*
- Area: 44,150 km²
- Density: 3 persons/km²
- Disposal Rate: 531 kg/cap

TNRD Solid Waste Services

Facilities

- 10 Eco Depots
- 18 Transfer Stations
- 2 Landfills

2018 Budget:

- Revenue \$12,675,105
- Expenditures: \$12,675,105

Cost Recovery

- Taxation 80%
- User Fees 20%

TNRD-Why User Fees?

- Major initiative in 2008 SWMP
- Taxes were steadily increasing
- Stop annual tax increases and promote diversion
- 2009 introduced volume-based fees
- Coincided with closing dumps and providing attended transfer stations
- 2013 introduced weight-based fees at new Eco-Depots

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

TETRA TECH – Carey McIver, Carey McIver & Associates and Lauren Quan, Project Engineer, Tetra Tech Canada Inc. RE: SWMP Overview (CONT'D)

TNRD-Costs to Implement?

- TNRD Eco-Depots constructed with \$14 million Build Canada Grant
- Provided improved service levels
- Every site was upgraded to varying degree

TNRD-Public Response?

- 2009 - threats and complaints
- Most people couldn't fathom that anyone should have to pay for garbage
- Fees introduced at larger sites
- Some residents would drive 40 km each way to avoid paying fees
- Important to have an illegal dumping strategy to coincide with fees
- Budget \$50K per year for clean-up

TNRD – Lessons Learned?

- May not have implemented bag fees at small local transfer stations
- No cash on site – non-locals don't have cards
- Lot of work for very little revenue at small sites

Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine

- Pop: 37,367
- Area: 104,465 km²
- Density: 0.4 persons/ km²
- Disposal Rate: 769 kg/cap
- Terrace Service Area: 18,470
- Facilities:
 - 1 Landfill
 - 1 Compost Facility
 - 1 Transfer Station
- Revenue: \$3,854,271*
- Expense: \$3,854,271
- Includes Terrace Area Curbside

Closing the Gap – RDBN Options

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

- Pop: 37,896
- Area: 73,361 km²
- Density: 0.5 persons/ km²
- Disposal Rate: 600 kg/cap
- Facilities:
 - 3 landfills
 - 8 transfer stations
- Revenue: \$6,291,644
- Expense: \$6,291,644

Cost Recovery Options

Option 1:

- Commercial Customers only
- Weight based at landfills/volume based at transfer stations
- Easy to administer – few accounts

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

TETRA TECH – Carey McIver, Carey McIver & Associates and Lauren Quan, Project Engineer, Tetra Tech Canada Inc. RE: SWMP Overview (CONT'D)

Option 2:

- Commercial Customers first
- Phase-In Residential
 - Weight based at larger transfer stations
 - Volume based (eco-card?) at smaller attended sites

Option3:

- Status Quo

Discussion took place in regard to a universal tipping fee structure. Director Repen spoke to reviewing the current taxation mechanism for environmental services. Ms. McIver commented that some areas utilize a taxation mechanism that considers both assessed value and population.

Chair Miller and Director Fisher thanked staff, Ms. McIver and the consultants for everyone's hard work regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan.

Break for lunch at 12:08 p.m.

Reconvened at 12:48 p.m.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

RDBN Northern Development Application – Connecting British Columbia Program

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2018-11-3

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors support the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako's application to Northern Development Initiative Trust's – Connecting British Columbia Program – Connectivity Infrastructure Strategy, and; that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors agree to enter into a contract with Northern Development, should the funding be approved.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RDBN Environmental Services BC Rural Dividend Program Application

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Alt. Director Atrill

2018-11-4

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize the submission of an application to the BC Rural Dividend Program for the Solid Waste Management Plan Priority Actions Project, and that the Board support this project through its duration.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Visit Bulkley-Nechako Advertising for 2019

Moved by Alt. Director Atrill
Seconded by Director Brien

2018-11-5

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize staff to purchase ¼ page advertisements in the 2019 Northern BC Travel Guide and the 2019 MILEPOST.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

The Smithers Mountain Bike Association – Request for Grant in Aid-Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural)

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Repen

2018-11-6

“That the Smithers Mountain Bike Association be given \$2,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural) to repair trails.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Regional Transit Service Grant in Aid

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2018-11-7

“That Electoral Areas “B” (Burns Lake Rural) and “G” (Houston Rural) each contribute \$1,000 grant in aid monies toward 2018 operating costs for the Regional Transit Service.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

District of Fort St. James – Request for Grant in Aid -Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural)

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2018-11-8

“That the District of Fort St. James be given \$751.54 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for advertising costs associated with the North Road Meeting.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fraser Lake Saddle Club – Request for Grant in Aid -Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural)

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2018-11-9

“That the Fraser Lake Saddle Club be given \$500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural) for costs associated with the BC Interior Gymkhana Invitational & Jackpot.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fort Fraser Community Recreation Society– Request for Grant in Aid -Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural)

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Petersen

2018-11-10

“That the Fort Fraser Community Recreation Society be given \$3,170 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural) for costs associated with the Children’s Summer Day Program.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Fraser Lake Arts Council
– Request for Grant in Aid
-Electoral Area “D” (Fraser
Lake Rural)

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2018-11-11

“That the Fraser Lake Arts Council be given \$2,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural) for costs associated with the Fraser Lake Festival of the Arts.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upper Nechako Wilderness
Council– Request for Grant
in Aid -Electoral Area “F”
(Vanderhoof Rural)

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2018-11-12

“That the Upper Nechako Wilderness Council be given \$1,500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “F” (Vanderhoof Rural) for the design and development of the brand and online presence for the Upper Nechako Wilderness Council.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Houston Unis'tot'en
Preservation Society
– Request for Grant in Aid
-Electoral Area “G”
(Houston Rural)

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Brienen

2018-11-13

“That the Houston Unis'tot'en Preservation Society be given \$4,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “G” (Houston Rural) for costs associated with a five-day film shoot and production.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Regional Economic
Development Proposal Writing
Quarterly Report

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Fisher

2018-11-14

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Regional Economic Development Coordinator's July 10, 2018 memo titled “Regional Economic Development Proposal Writing Quarterly Report.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

2018 UBCM Minister Meeting Requests

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2018-11-15

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the 2018 UBCM Minister Meeting Requests."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Parker mentioned that a teleconference has been scheduled with the Honourable Lana Popham, Minister of Agriculture on July 31, 2018.

Director Brienen has recently received correspondence in regard to Equity Mine and he will forward the information to Director Newell and Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning.

Discussion regarding UBCM Directors attendance at specific Minister Meetings will be determined at the August 16, 2018 RDBN Board Meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Nak'azdli Recycling Program -Review and Restructuring Options

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Newell

2018-11-16

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Director of Environmental Services' July 19, 2018 memo titled "Nak'azdli Recycling Program – Review and Restructuring Options."

2. That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve Carey McIver & Associates Ltd. to proceed with the "Nak'azdli Recycling Program – Review and Restructuring Options" for a cost of \$10,000.00 excluding GST."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Break for the Regional Transit Committee Meeting at 1:03 p.m.

Reconvened the meeting at 1:51 p.m.

Regional Solid Waste Advisory Committee (RSWAC) Minutes

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Petersen

2018-11-17

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Deputy Director of Environmental Services' July 9, 2018 memo titled "Regional Solid Waste Advisory Committee (RSWAC) Minutes;" and further, that the following be received:

- Regional Solid Waste Advisory Committee RSWAC Minutes
 - o February 21, 2018 Webinar
 - o March 7, 2018 meeting
 - o April 11, 2018 meeting
 - o April 25, 2018 meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (All Directors)

ALR APPLICATION

ALR Application No. 1205
(Butz) Non-Farm Use within
the ALR, Electoral Area "A"

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Alt. Director Atrill

2018-11-18

"That Agricultural Land Reserve Non-Farm Use Application No. 1205 (Butz) be recommended to the Agricultural Land Commission for approval."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PROVINCIAL REFERRALS

Land Referral File No.
0272313 Naomi Himechi
– Electoral Area "G"

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Brienens

2018-11-19

"That the comment sheet titled "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral No. 0272313" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Application File #0272313."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Land Referral File No.
REC230132 MFLNRO –Rec
Sites – Electoral Area "A"

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Repen

2018-11-20

"That the comment sheet titled "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral REC230132" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Application File REC230132."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Land Referral File No.
7410010 Michael & Christina
Dowling – Electoral Area "F"

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2018-11-21

"That the comment sheet titled "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral 7410010" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Application File 7410010."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Land Referral File No.
7404687 Crystal French
– Electoral Area "C"

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2018-11-22

"That the comment sheet titled "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Comment Sheet on Crown Land Referral 7404687" be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown Land Application File 7404687."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ELECTORAL AREA PLANNING

CORRESPONDENCE

Electoral Area Planning Correspondence

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Petersen

2018-11-23

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

-July 3, 2018 correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing titled “Housing Needs Reports – Bulletin” and Residential Rental Tenure Zoning – Bulletin”
-Union of B.C. Municipalities RE: Application for 2018 Community Excellence Award.”

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

Discussion took place in regard to housing challenges in a number of municipalities and electoral areas within the RDBN and the impacts of the regulatory changes that are increasing costs. In a number of communities it is cost prohibitive to build new homes. An increase in modular homes has also been noted. The issue has been identified by both Northern Development Initiative Trust and the Northwest BC Resource Benefits Alliance. Director MacDougall mentioned that the District of Fort St. James completed a housing strategy and during an open house the public identified five top priorities for the community. Director Repen mentioned that he has been in discussion with Director Bachrach in regard to potential options and solutions for Smithers and Telkwa. Discussion took place in regard to potential funding to complete housing studies. Jason Lewellyn, Director of Planning noted that the RDBN currently has an outstanding request to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to attend a future Board meeting to discuss the issues. Staff will provide further information for discussion at a future RDBN Committee of the Whole Meeting.

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Cluculz Lake Volunteer Fire Department

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Beach

2018-11-24

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize the renewal of the Contribution Agreement attached to the Regional Fire Chief’s June 29, 2018 staff report between the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako and the Cluculz Lake Fire Department for a term of two (2) years.”

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

PROTECTIVE SERVICES (CONT'D)

Regional Emergency Support Services

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Brien

2018-11-25

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to:

1. Refer the draft Emergency Support Services Agreement to each municipality for formal consideration; and,
2. Report back to the Regional Board of Directors with a report regarding implementation of the Regional ESS Model."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Emergency Services Reports and Planning Enquiries Report

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2018-11-26

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

- Monthly 9-1-1 Call Report – June 2018
- Building Inspector's Report for June 2018
- Planning Department Enquiries Report for June, 2018."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Rest Area on Highway 27

Director Greenaway mentioned that Highway 27 has recently had public washrooms installed at the rest area along the highway.

Burns Lake Indigenous Day-June 21, 2018

Director Beach reported that the Indigenous Day Event held in Burns Lake on June 21, 2018 had a very successful turn out. The parade was held on a portion of Highway 16 again this year.

Mouse Mountain Days -Fraser Lake - July 1, 2018

Director Parker commented that Fraser Lake hosted its Mouse Mountain Days on July 1, 2018. This year an agriculture theme was chosen for its parade. It was a really good theme.

Wildfires near Fraser Lake burning Fires

Director Parker reported that a couple wildfires have been on both the north and south of the community.

Canada Celebrations -Fort St. James

Director MacDougall noted that Fort St. James hosted Canada Day Celebrations. It was a good event.

Meeting with Premier Horgan & Minister Fraser, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation RE: Fort St. James Hospital Replacement

Director Petersen mentioned that a meeting took place with Premier Horgan and Minister Fraser, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation in Fort St. James in regard to the Fort St. James Hospital Replacement Project. Premier Horgan commented he would return for the grand opening of the new hospital.

VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)

ICBC Rates in Telkwa

Director Repen stated that the Village of Telkwa has been in dispute with ICBC in regard to their rate dividing line and the higher rates for Telkwa. He has forwarded a letter with a solution for a dividing line. He brought forward his frustrations in regard to the response from ICBC. He spoke with the Honourable Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development in regard to the response provided.

Chair Miller Report -RBA/Timber Supply Review

Chair Miller mentioned that he spent the first week in Vancouver meeting with stakeholders in regard to the Northwest BC Resource Benefits Alliance, in order to provide further information to the RBA Negotiation Team in their meeting with the Province. He noted that the response from the stakeholders was positive.

Timber Supply Review

Chair Miller has been involved in the Lakes Timber Supply Review process at the local level and providing input into the data package.

Wildfire Information Sessions

Chair Miller mentioned that the RDBN has been invited to participate in public wildfire information sessions with the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development Wildfire Management Branch that are held in Burns Lake and surrounding area to bring a level of awareness to rural residents in regard to wildfire mitigation.

RCMP Musical Ride

Chair Miller mentioned that the Lakes District Fall Fair Association is hosting the RCMP Musical Ride in Burns Lake on July 17, 2018 at the Lakes District Fall Fair Grounds. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Receipt of Verbal Reports

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Beach

2018-11-27

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

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE

Innovation Central Society – Request for Letter of Support -Northern Investment Group

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director Fisher

2018-11-28

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support to the Innovation Central Society for its application to the Rural Dividend fund to build the Northern Investment Group.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

Smithers District Chamber of
Commerce – Smithers District
Music Strategy – Municipal
Government Recommendation

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Brienen

2018-11-29

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter recognizing receipt of the Smithers District Chamber of Commerce – Smithers District Music Strategy – Municipal Government Recommendation.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ministry of Forests, Lands,
Natural Resource Operations
and Rural Development
– Bulkley-Nechako Workforce
Opportunities Table – Request
for Letter of Support

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Fisher

2018-11-30

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter of support for the Bulkley-Nechako Workforce Opportunities Table in regard to its application to Community Futures Nadina’s BC Rural Dividend application.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Northern BC Tourism
Association – Northern BC
Tourism Summit
-Sponsorship Opportunities

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Brienen

2018-11-31

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the correspondence from Northern BC Tourism Association in regard to the Northern BC Tourism Summit – Sponsorship Opportunities.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Royal Canadian Legion
-Annual Military Service
Recognition Book
– Sponsorship Opportunities

Moved by Director Beach
Seconded by Director Fisher

2018-11-32

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Royal Canadian Legion – Annual Military Service Recognition Book – Sponsorship Opportunities.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UBCM Resolution- Expansion
of Community Forest Program

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2018-11-33

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify the UBCM Resolution – Expansion of Community Forest Program.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

Administration
Correspondence

Moved by Director Brienen
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2018-11-34

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

- Emergency Management BC – Plaque re: Seasonal Hazards Response 2017
- Greyhound – Greyhound Canada to Downsize its Canadian Business Based on a 41% Decline in Ridership Since 2010
- Union of BC Municipalities – Submission of Resolutions
- Fraser Lake Elementary-Secondary School- Grant in Aid – Follow Up Report – Sr. Girls Soccer Team
- Fort St. James Secondary School – Grant in Aid – Report/Update from FSJSS Grade 9 Haida Gwaii Trip
- Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association- 2018 Annual General Meeting
- Fortis BC – Safe Digging
- Northern Development Initiative Trust - Lakes District Fairgrounds Concession Renovation
- qathet Regional District – Powell River Regional District to be Renamed to qathet Regional District
- The Township of Spallumcheen – Employer Health Tax Impact on Local Government
- Fort Fraser Local Community Commission Meeting Minutes -
 - May 8, 2018
 - June 14, 2018
- BC Community Forest Association – July 2018 Member's Newsletter
- BC Wildfire Newsletter – July 1, 2018 to July 14, 2018
- Coastal Gaslink Pipeline Project – Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project Conditionally Awards \$620 Million in Contracting Opportunities to B.C. First Nations
- Union of B.C. Municipalities
 - Senate Passes Bill C-45 with Amendments
 - Cambodian Delegates' Victoria Study Tour
 - SWPI to Transition to CRIP
 - New Organics Infrastructure Program Fund
 - Community Climate Change Adaptation Workshops
 - BC Community Road Safety Toolkit
 - UBCM Submission to FOIPPA Review
 - Cannabis Legalization Legislation Passes Final Vote
 - Local Government Representation for PRIMECorp
 - Municipal Natural Assets Initiative
 - Community Overdose Crisis Grants
 - 2018 Convention Code of Conduct Finalized
 - Remembering Duncan Councillor John Horgan
 - Convention Registration Opens July 3rd
 - Environmental Assessment Revitalization Discussion Paper
 - Election Resources for Candidates
 - Input Sought for Convention Forums
 - Deadline for Executive Nominations
 - Small, Rural and Remote Child Care Survey
 - Emergency Preparedness Grant Intake

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

- Housing Needs & Rental Zoning Bulletins
- Funding & Resources Update
- University of BC – Wildfire and Fuels in the Wildland-Urban Interface

INVITATIONS

-BC Council of Forest Industries – COFI PG Community Dinner – September 18, 2018 - Prince George, B.C.
-Move the North: 2018 Physical Activity Summit - October 26, 2018 – Prince George, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BC Council of Forest Industries
– COFI PG Community Dinner
– September 18, 2018 - Prince
George, B.C.

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2018-11-35

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize Chair Miller’s attendance at the-BC Council of Forest Industries – COFI PG Community Dinner – September 18, 2018 - Prince George, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Action Lists

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director Petersen

2018-11-36

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Action Lists for April and May, 2018.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCIAL

Operating Accounts
-May, 2018

Moved by Director Beach
Seconded by Director Fisher

2018-11-37

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify the Operating Accounts – Paid June, 2018.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

READING FILE

Reading File

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Petersen

2018-11-38

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

- BC Achievement Foundation – 2018 BC Community Achievement Awards Post-Event Summary
- BC Healthy Communities – July eNews: Housing Needs Assessments Explained, Last Chance for PlanH Grants and More
- Clean Energy Review
 - July 3, 2018 – A Canadian Milestone
 - June 25, 2018 – Not so Hot on Ontario
 - June 18, 2018 – The Other Half of the EV Equation
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Voice:
 - July 9, 2018 – Get your #FCM2018AC Report
 - First Nations – Municipal Updates
 - Setting our sights on Election 2019
 - July 4, 2018
 - Report from FCM's 2018 Annual Conference
 - Training on Asset Management/Brownfield Email Series/Summer Schedule
 - June 28, 2018 – Build Asset Management Skills through Regional and National Training Events
 - June 25, 2018 – Removing Barriers for Women in Local Politics / ICLEI Conference / Reconciliation Through Collaboration
 - June 18, 2018 – New Homelessness Strategy / National Indigenous People's Day / Upcoming Webinar
- Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure – Bulkley-Stikine District – Load Restrictions in the Lakes Service Area 24 – All Seasonal Load Restrictions are Rescinded
- New Gold Inc. – Blackwater Project – Spring 2018 Newsletter
- Northern BC Tourism – Industry News & Updates
- Resource Works – Newsletter
 - June 21, 2018 – Salmon Farming's New Uncertainty
- Rio Tinto Alcan - Nechako Reservoir Flow Facts:
 - Join our New Facebook Group
 - June 30 to July 6, 2018
 - June 23 to June 29, 2018
 - June 16 to June 22, 2018
 - June 9 to June 15, 2018
- Prince George, City of – Economic Update May 2018
- Privacy & Access Council of Canada – Newsworthy Nuggets About Privacy, Access & Data Protection
- Smithers Exploration Group
 - Invites you to Golf on September 14, 2018.
 - July 2018 Enews Update.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

REPORTS

Risk Management Grant
Application for BV Pool

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Repen

2018-11-39

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Chief Financial Officer’s July 17, 2018 memo titled “Risk Management Grant Application for BV Pool;” and further, that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors submit the grant application to the Municipal Insurance Association for consideration.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Business Façade Program

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Parker

2018-11-40

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize entering into an agreement with Honeysuckle Garden Centre for the Business Façade Funding Program and further, that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors agree to expand the eligible communities to include applications from all eligible businesses within the electoral areas.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE

Union of B.C. Municipalities
-2018 Resolutions

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director Parker

2018-11-41

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the correspondence from the Union of B.C. Municipalities – 2018 Resolutions.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Administration
Correspondence

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Repen

2018-11-42

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

- TRUE Consulting – Weekly Field Review Report – Fort Fraser Water Distribution Improvements – July 9, 2018;
- Fort Fraser Water Distribution Improvements – Progress Report – July 15, 2018;

INVITATION

-Town of Smithers – Open House Invitation – New Library/Art Gallery/Park;

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES - ALR APPLICATIONS

- Notice of Reconsideration "A" ALR Application 1197 (Kirsh);
- Environmental Assessment Office – Letter re: New Gold Inc. Black Water Project."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Concerns were brought forward in regard to:

- the impacts to New Gold Inc. Black Water Project in regard to caribou
- Inconsistencies concerning caribou limited entry hunting draws
- Challenges and potential impacts to the region in regard to investment opportunities
- The lack of local input into the decision making process;
- Lack of a coordinated discussion between all stakeholders.

Environmental Assessment
Office – Letter re: New Gold
Inc. Black Water Project.

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director Brienen

2018-11-43

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors draft a letter to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development expressing its concerns in regard to:

- o the need for local input into decisions regarding caribou
- o the opportunity for investment in northern BC
- o industry leaving B.C due to uncertainty
- o Is BC open for business
- o the Forest Industries potential downturn of the Annual Allowable Cut
- o the recognition that New Gold Blackwater Project is supported by the communities and First Nations in the region;

and, further that the letter be forwarded to the Regional Board by e-mail for review."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Connectivity Mapping

Director Newell brought forward concerns regarding the accuracy of the mapping showing available connectivity along the Highway 16 corridor. He also spoke of the download and upload speeds needing to be acceptable levels to meet resident's needs.

NEW BUSINESS (CONT'D)

**Connectivity Mapping
Northern B.C.**

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Repen

2018-11-44

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors write a letter to Network B.C. in regard to the accuracy of information provided regarding connectivity along Highway 16 in northwest B.C.; and further, that the letter be forwarded to NDIT and the Ministry of Citizens’ Services.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**SPECIAL MEETING
IN-CAMERA MOTION**

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2018-11-45

“In accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, it is the opinion of the Board of Directors that matters pertaining to Sections 90(1)(c) labour relations or other employee relations and 90 (2)(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party (RBA) must be closed to the public therefore exercise their option of excluding the public for this meeting.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Beach
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2018-11-46

“That the meeting be adjourned at 3:06 p.m.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bill Miller, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant