

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2015

PRESENT: Chairperson Jerry Petersen

Directors Eileen Benedict
Thomas Liversidge
Rob MacDougall
Bill Miller
Mark Parker
Luke Strimbold
Gerry Thiessen

Directors Present Tom Greenaway, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural)
Absent Dwayne Lindstrom, Village of Fraser Lake

Alternate Director Bob Hughes, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural)

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

Other Bill Stewart, Fraser Lake

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Petersen called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Director Parker

SNRHD-2015-7-1

"That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Agenda of August 20, 2015 be approved."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Stuart-Nechako Regional
Hospital District Meeting
Minutes – June 25, 2015

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Strimbold

SNRHD-2015-7-2

"That the minutes of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District meeting of June 25, 2015 be adopted."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Northern Health Emergency
Capital Request - Pines
Electrical Upgrades

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Miller

SNRHD-2015-7-3

"That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors request that Northern Health provide an itemized cost analysis and further information in regard to the Pines Electrical Upgrades."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Discussion took place regarding the need to have an overview of what is required in replacing the current generator at the Pines Care Facility. Concerns were brought forward regarding the cost associated with replacing the generator at the Pines with the generator from the old Lakes District Hospital and Health Centre and the need to redo the electrical system at the Pines to accommodate the new generator. Director Strimbold noted the potential to save in long-term planning if the upgrade is completed now.

Northern Health Emergency Capital Request - Pines Electrical Upgrades

Moved by Director Strimbold
Seconded by Director Miller

SNRHD-2015-7-4

"That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the Treasurer's August 12, 2015 memo titled "Northern Health Emergency Capital Request – Pines Electrical Upgrades."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Financial Statements -June 30, 2015

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Parker

SNRHD-2015-7-5

"That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the Treasurer's August 11, 2015 memo titled "Financial Statements – June 30, 2015."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

Moved by Director Strimbold
Seconded by Director Miller

SNRHD-2015-7-6

"That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the following correspondence from:

- Northern Health titled "NCLGA Meeting – Prince George – May 6, 2015;
- Stuart Lake Senior Association titled "Senior Residents' Concerns and lack of Positive Response from Northern Health;
- Northern Health News Releases:
 - New Mental Health and Substance Use Support Programs to Help support Residents of Northern B.C.;
 - New Residential Care Beds Officially Opened During Gateway's Fifth Anniversary Celebration;
 - Increases in HIV Testing and Treatment Key Outcomes in the STOP HIV/AIDS Program;
 - Northern Health Board Recognizes Energy Saving Initiatives and Programs Engaging Youth About Future Health Care Career Opportunities;
- Cariboo Chilcotin Regional Hospital District titled "Shortage of Physiotherapists in BC."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS

First, Second, Third Reading and Adoption

No. 55 & 56 Stuart-Nechako
Regional Hospital District
Capital Expenditure Bylaw

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Parker

SNRHD-2015-7-7

“That “Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 55 and 56, 2015” be deferred to a future Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board Meeting.”

(All/Weighted/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Paramedicine Trial in Fort
St. James

Director MacDougall mentioned that the Paramedicine trial is being implemented in Fort St. James. The Unit Chief for B.C. Ambulance is the lead and is currently working through the process. Optimism has been expressed that it will complement the health services in Fort St. James.

Lakes District Hospital and
Health Centre

Director Miller had an opportunity to utilize the Lakes District Hospital and Health Centre and noted the quality of the facility. He mentioned the importance for community members and staff to have input into the planning and developing of a new facility being built.

Child and Youth Mental Health
Forum in Fraser Lake

Director Thiessen and Director Benedict attended a Child and Youth Mental Health Forum in Fraser Lake on August 18, 2015. Director Thiessen mentioned one of the key concerns brought forward was the inability for agencies to share information thus helping an individual can be a very slow process. Concerns were brought forward in regard to the red tape and the need for the province to make changes and allow agencies to share information in regard to patients dealing with mental health issues. Prince George has implemented a system wherein a mental health nurse accompanies RCMP when attending patients. This has allowed for streamlining and better care for the patient.

Representatives from the provincial government attended to receive input from stakeholders in regard to the needs of children and youth in regard to mental health in the region. There is funding being provided to develop collaborative working groups in the region to address children and youth mental health and a position is being formed in Prince George to oversee the work. It was a very positive discussion.

Receipt of Verbal
Reports

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Director Strimbold

SNRHD.2015-7-8

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

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting with Northern Health at UBCM

A meeting has been requested with Northern Health at the Union of B.C. Municipalities Convention in Vancouver, September, 2015. Staff are awaiting confirmation. Northern Health has expressed a desire to meet with the Regional Board prior to meeting with the Minister of Health regarding the Stuart Lake Hospital replacement project.

Northern Health has suggested a similar model for the Stuart Lake Hospital replacement project that was used for the planning and replacement of the new Lakes District Hospital and Health Centre. The planning was funded by the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District and the amount spent to fund the planning was a portion of the 20% total contribution by the SNRHD to replace the facility. This allowed for the project to move forward in a timely manner and receive commitment from the province.

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Thiessen

SNRHD. 2015-7-9

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District commit to providing funds to the planning of a new Stuart Lake Hospital; and further, that those funds be part of the entire 20% contribution from the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District for the replacement of the Stuart Lake Hospital in Fort St. James.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Child and Youth Mental Health

Director Thiessen suggested inviting all stakeholders and agencies related to Child and Youth Mental Health in the region to have an In-Camera meeting to explain and discuss the magnitude of the issues in the region. Staff will forward an invite to stakeholders.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Director Parker

SNRHD-2015-7-10

“That the meeting be adjourned at 10:54 a.m.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Jerry Petersen, Chairperson

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant