

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

**Thursday, May 3, 2018**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Chair	Bill Miller
	Directors	Taylor Bachrach Chris Beach Eileen Benedict Shane Brienens Mark Fisher Tom Greenaway Dwayne Lindstrom Rob MacDougall Mark Parker Jerry Petersen
	Directors Absent	Thomas Liversdige, Village of Granisle Rob Newell, Electoral Area "G" (Houston Rural) Darcy Repen, Village of Telkwa Gerry Thiessen, District of Vanderhoof
	Alternate Directors	Brad Layton, Village of Telkwa Linda McGuire, Village of Granisle
	Staff	Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services Nellie Davis, Proposal Writer – arrived at 12:50 p.m., left at 1:30 p.m. John Illes, Chief Financial Officer Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning – arrived at 11:55 a.m., left at 12:01 p.m., returned at 1:33 p.m., left at 1:45 p.m. Kristi Rensby, Finance/Administration Coordinator – arrived at 1:04 p.m., left at 1:53 p.m. Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant
	Others	Brian Hearnden, Performance Management Analyst, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 12:07 p.m. Kasia Kistowska, Ecosystems Biologist, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 12:07 p.m. Sean Mitchell, Land and Resource Coordinator, Regional Initiatives, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 12:07 p.m. Eamon O'Donoghue, Regional Executive Director, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 12:07 p.m. Len Vanderstar, Ecosystems Biologist, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 12:07 p.m. Heather Wiebe, Caribou Project Lead, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – left at 12:07 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 10:51 a.m.

**AGENDA &  
SUPPLEMENTARY**

Moved by Alternate Director Layton  
Seconded by Director Petersen

C.W.2018-4-1

“That the Agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Committee of the Whole meeting of May 3, 2018 be approved; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be dealt with at this meeting.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MINUTES**

Committee of the Whole  
Minutes –April 5, 2018

Moved by Director Parker  
Seconded by Alternate Director Layton

C.W.2018-4-2

“That the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of April 5, 2018 be received.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATION**

**Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – Eamon O’Donoghue, Regional Executive Director and Heather Wiebe, Caribou Project Lead RE: Caribou Recovery Program**

Chair Miller welcomed Eamon O’Donoghue, Regional Executive Director and Heather Wiebe, Caribou North by Northwest (NxNW) Project Lead, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Mr. O’Donoghue introduced Brian Hearnden, Performance Management Analyst, Kasia Kistowska, Ecosystems Biologist, Sean Mitchell, Land and Resource Coordinator, Regional Initiatives and Len Vanderstar, Ecosystems Biologist, Ministry of Forests Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Mr. O’Donoghue outlined the roles of the Provincial and Federal Government in regard to the Caribou Project:

Provincial Government

- Responsible for the management of wildlife including Caribou Processes and procedures in place to protect the caribou habitat

Federal Government

- *Species at Risk Act*
- Have an obligation under the *Act* to protect Species at Risk
- Localized small areas where the Federal Government has implemented the *Species at Risk Act*
  - Example: Used the *Species at Risk Act* in Saskatchewan – Sage grouse
- Approximately two years ago the Federal Government relayed to the Province of BC that a review of the BC Caribou would be conducted

The Province of BC used significant resources to hire more staff, build science and knowledge in regard to the Caribou to ensure their continuation. The Province looks at a series of actions to build recovery plans such as habitat protection, predator and prey control, penning, feeding, recreation access control, etc. The Federal Government is very focused on habitat reduction and have completed reviews that identified caribou herds at risk in B.C. The Southern Mountain Caribou herds in northern B.C. identified by the Federal Government, as being imminently threatened was the Telkwa herd. The Province has determined it will take approximately two

## **DELEGATION (CONT'D)**

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years to accumulate the science needed and complete the engagement required to determine recommendations to maintain the Telkwa caribou herd. Currently the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD) utilizes the government action regulations to protect the caribou habitat. The protection was established approximately one year ago. The Tweedsmuir and Takla caribou herds are also located, along with Telkwa, in the Skeena FLNRORD District. Mr. O'Donoghue noted that he is currently reviewing a habitat protection plan for the Takla herd and FLNRORD is working on completing a plan for the Tweedsmuir herd. He also commented that the Federal and Provincial habitat layers are often different. The Provincial information reflects the most current information and the Federal Government may not always capture the local knowledge available. In the case of the Telkwa Caribou herd the information between the Province and Federal Governments was very similar with a few minor differences. A fundamental difference between the Province and Federal Governments is the Province reviews the social, economic and environmental interests when making a decision while the Federal Minister of Environment must review only the environmental aspects under legislation. If the Federal Minister of Environment decides to provide a habitat protection designation for a species and there is a potential socioeconomic implication as there is in BC, she must refer and discuss the designation with cabinet colleagues before the decision is finalized.

There is a team of six dedicated staff working with Ms. Wiebe on improving the information and developing a recovery plan. Mr. O'Donoghue mentioned that the intention is to work closely with local government and First Nations to develop recommendations in regard to the caribou recovery plan. At the completion of the review, FLNRORD will bring forward the information to request support from the Regional District.

Ms. Wiebe provided an outline of the work plan moving forward:

Currently:

- Assembling the best known population estimates herd by herd
- Assembling the best science
- Reviewing comments local governments provided in the past regarding Timber Supply Review (TSR) processes, etc.
- Working with First Nations to understand traditional knowledge
- Work with stakeholders
- Build the current knowledge base and continue to meet and work with the key stakeholders to:
  - Investigate recovery implementation through each herd plan
- Once recovery is established review implementation for the future (the next 10-20 years)
- Overview and understanding in regard to socioeconomic concerns

Ms. Wiebe mentioned that the 23 herds including the Telkwa herd in the Omineca and Skeena FLNRORD Districts are not currently experiencing the same attention and pressures from Canada as the caribou herds in the southern and northeast regions of the province. She spoke of this being the opportune time for BC, working with First Nations, local governments, key stakeholders and Canada, to ensure that the caribou herds are brought to a sustainable level or maintain herds. If herds are in decline, and the limiting factors cannot be controlled, and the tools not available to bring a herd back to a sustainable level it will be a difficult process.

Ms. Wiebe noted that FLNRORD would be returning to the Regional Board to provide an update as the Caribou Recovery Plan moves forward providing the current available information, along with new data and information. She also mentioned that the Tweedsmuir herd is a priority and the short and long-term recovery plans a focus.

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Alternate Director Layton commented that there is a need to understand the information that is available and what is being done for up to date data. Mr. O'Donoghue mentioned that initial data began in the 1960's and 1970's which provided an estimate of the Telkwa caribou herd. In the 1990's studies were completed that indicated that the herd was in significant decline. The Province brought 30 animals into the herd and it recovered to over 100 animals and was determined a successful recovery plan at that time. Mr. O'Donoghue noted that due to a lack of funding provided to continue the studies there is a gap in information available. In 2008 and 2009 it was noted that the numbers for the Telkwa caribou herd had declined significantly and by 2011 and 2012 there were approximately 12 caribou remaining.

Mr. O'Donoghue mentioned that the Province has moved the responsibility of the caribou recovery to the FLNRORD allowing for more capacity and funding to be allocated to study the animals. He also noted that there is better technology available to use to study the herd such as GPS collars. The herd has recovered slightly and there are approximately 18-20 animals. FLNRORD has also started to collar wolves to better understand the predator/prey dynamic and FLNRORD Biologists indicate that predators do have an impact. Predator control can be an option but requires careful consideration.

Director Beach questioned the Tweedsmuir caribou herd affecting the Burns Lake Timber Supply Review (TSR) and Canada's concerns regarding the caribou in the Prince George area. Ms. Wiebe noted that the concerns from the Federal Government blanket all of BC. They currently have a petition under section 80, which indicates more needs to be done to protect the imminent threat to the caribou herds. Currently, the Omineca and Skeena are not one of the four areas in the Province that has a section 80 review taking place at this time. The Tweedsmuir herd does currently have some protection measures in place through old growth management areas in the LRMP (Land and Resource Management Plan) but the caribou have experienced impacts to habitat from the mountain pine beetle (MPB) and forest fires. Discussion took place regarding the potential impacts from the fall down of MPB trees. Mr. O'Donoghue mentioned that some logging has taken place in the Tweedsmuir area. FLNRORD will bring forward further information at a later date regarding the Tweedsmuir and Takla herds during the consultation phase of the recovery plans. The Takla herd has less than 1% impact to the timber supply but the Federal polygon area is larger than the Provincial polygon area.

Ms. Wiebe mentioned the need to understand the impacts and further discussions will take place regarding each of the caribou herds, defining critical habitat and the disturbances that have occurred such as fire and/or anthropogenic. Mr. O'Donoghue noted that in some areas where a fire has taken place the collared animals being researched have been travelling differently and moving into areas where they have not normally been in prior to the fire in search of a food source.

Director Bachrach questioned the measurable targets to achieve success. He also questioned the socioeconomic balance and the strategies that have been used to manage caribou in southern BC and the herd being reduced to approximately four animals. Ms. Wiebe noted that the Federal Government reviews a recovery strategy on a broad base not herd by herd, within the larger area the limiting factors that are believed to be contributing to the decline in numbers are described. The Federal Government under the *Species At Risk Act* also set how wildlife are protected which is defined under three points: can't kill or harass individual species, can't damage or destroy the residence and can't destroy critical habitat defined in the recovery strategy. Ms. Wiebe commented that her team is investigating herd by herd to understand the recovery strategy level and review the Federal Governments required achievements. The Federal Recovery Strategy is identifying that BC needs to improve the management of the herds on a larger geographical scale and Ms. Wiebe noted that her team is researching each herd

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individually to amass the details and have a better understanding of the factors and uniqueness of each herd. FLNRORD will be investigating each herds level of sustainability based on cyclic population numbers. Mr. O'Donoghue noted that the intent is not to populate the caribou herd to historic levels but to reach a sustainable level utilizing additional habitat measures.

Discussion took place in regard to camera systems to monitor wildlife. Mr. O'Donoghue mentioned that FLNRORD biologists are using various technologies including camera's in some locations as a tool to monitor wildlife.

Chair Miller questioned factors that may impact the caribou herds such as transportation corridors such as highways and railways. FLNRORD is including transportation corridors in its consideration but information to date indicates there is a significant impact to the moose population and not to the caribou herds. Discussion took place regarding the decline of the moose population may create more of a predatory impact to the caribou population.

Chair Miller mentioned that in conversations with representatives of NewGold Blackwater Project and the concerns regarding caribou migratory paths in the area near the project the Federal Government has recently indicated it would not be pursuing the matter further.

Chair Miller questioned the use of spatial solutions for caribou herds. Ms. Wiebe indicated that spatial considerations is a tool among many that can be considered to assist in providing a clean and healthy ecosystems which is required for all species. She noted that there is not one factor that will address the issue but many factors that need to be utilized to find a balance in determining the caribou recovery but habitat is the foundation. Collaring the animals will provide a sense of their migratory patterns and other key factors to consider.

Discussion took place in regard to funding for the caribou recovery project. Mr. O'Donoghue mentioned that the Caribou Recovery Plan is an important issue for the Provincial Government and significant funding has been provided to allow for the hiring of six additional staff to assist Ms. Wiebe and gather the information required to move forward. Ms. Wiebe mentioned that if there is movement towards a conservation agreement under the *Species At Risk Act* there is federal funding available but an agreement needs to be in place.

Director Brienen spoke of the need to ensure that all regions and areas need to communicate and work together to determine best practices and strategies. Mr. O'Donoghue mentioned that the Caribou Recovery Plan is a Provincial strategy and has a provincial lead, Paul Rasmussen Executive Director Provincial Caribou Recovery Program is meeting with the provincial team, with dedicated staff, to communicate and build the foundation to ensure the principals are the same across the Province also recognizing that each herd is unique. Director Brienen also noted the importance and need for adequate and accurate up to date data. Mr. O'Donoghue commented that the complexity of issues has often impacted the data information available but in recent years better technology and funding has made available data significantly better. He did note that there is an ongoing pursuit for better data but in making decisions there is often times where there is never enough data available. In regard to the caribou herds in imminent risk there is a recognition that data can change and an adaptive approach is required.

Alternate Director Layton suggested that in regard to public meetings providing information based on scientific evidence and data used to determine the information and outcomes is important. Mr. O'Donoghue commented that there may be an opportunity in the North by Northwest (NxNW) to proactively communicate the data utilized by FLNRORD for the Caribou Recovery Plan.

Chair Miller spoke of the importance of the Province taking a lead role in the Caribou Recovery Plan process and thanked Mr. O'Donoghue and Ms. Wiebe for attending the meeting

## **DELEGATION (CONT'D)**

### **Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – Len Vanderstar, Ecosystems Biologist and Kasia Kistowska, Ecosystems Biologist RE: Mountain Goat Ungulate Winter Range Orders**

Chair Miller welcomed Len Vanderstar, Ecosystems Biologist and Kasia Kistowska, Ecosystems Biologist, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Mr. Vanderstar mentioned that under the *Forests and Range Practices Act* which governs forests and range practices in BC is the Government Action Regulation which allows Ecosystem Biologists to meet with interested parties, stakeholders to determine habitat protection measures and to ensure viability of wildlife populations. Currently there are winter range orders for grizzly bears and other wildlife including the Mountain Goat Ungulate. In the Skeena region there is approved mountain goat winter range orders along highway 16 including the Stikine, North Coast, Hazeltons, Kispiox, Morice and Lakes District most recently. The Bulkley Timber Supply Area (TSA) is the only TSA that remains outstanding within the Skeena region for ungulate mountain goat winter range orders.

#### Bulkley TSA

- Hudson Bay Mountain
- The Land Resource Management Plan (LRMP) in the 90's mapped out the mountain goat range with the information available at that time
- At that time there was no overlap of the Timber Harvesting Land Base (THLB)
- Since that time resource functions have been developed and a habitat resource section model that was able to reduce the size of the habitat polygon of the ungulate
- Less constrained on the THLB
- Over time the THLB has changed
  - Climate change
  - Market change
    - Resulting in a desire to harvest wood in fringe areas
    - Not a single cut block to date has overlapped the ungulate mountain goat winter range order area
  - The order for the ungulate mountain goat will not currently impact the THLB
- Implement the order to protect the habitat for 50-100 years
- There is a one kilometer buffer around the habitat areas
- Avoid winter harvesting between November 1 to June 15 in order to not displace the ungulate in its winter habitat
- Bulkley TSA is unique as it has areas that have winter only wood so accommodations have been made to allow harvesting – not affecting more than 10% of the ungulate.

Alternate Director Layton questioned the scientific data available to identify locations of winter mountain goats and their habitat that are being identified and orders implemented. He spoke of the mountain goat habitat in the Morice TSA. Mr. Vanderstar noted that there are satellite bluff areas within the Morice TSA that are captured in the order. In some of those areas, there has not been occupancy of the area and the forest industry, when logging, has brought the information forward to the scientists. In the future, there may need to be a review of some of those areas.

Discussion took place regarding the location of the mountain goat winter range areas being in the upper bands of the forests where they are able to forage on subalpine fir in the winter. In the coastal range they are closer to tide water and in the interior of the province goats mix using higher elevation bands and wind swept alpine. Mountain goats live on body fat 7-8 months of the year and move on average 30 metres in a day. If the goats become stressed it can cause impacts such as the females reabsorbing their fetus' and stressors will cause the goats to use their fat reserves more quickly. In working with other industries such as heli-skiing they ensure that flight plans don't impact the goats.

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Ms. Kistowska provided a PowerPoint Presentation

**Thinhorn Sheep Disease Prevention:  
GAR SA-6-292 & Land Act Section 17 Map Reserve**

- **Skeena and Northeast Region**
  - Formal consultation began the week of April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018
  - Introduction of domestic goat and sheep has created massive die offs in wild sheep particularly thinhorn sheep in the Okanagan and the U.S.A
  
- **Goals: map reserve and Order**
  - Part of a larger disease prevention effort
  - Prohibit domestic sheep, goat, camelids
  - Prohibit use of attractants that have come in contact with domestic sheep, goat, camelids
  - thinhorn sheep are across the Skeena, Omineca and Northeast
  - Current consultation is for the Skeena and Peace region
  - Omineca will review in 2018 and conduct a consultation process
  - Covers Crown Land – not private land
  
- **Disease Prevention**
  - Range Tenure Prohibitions (Grazing and Silviculture)
  - Map Reserve- Land Tenure Licensees and Leases (intensive and extensive agriculture, and commercial rec)
  - Recreational restrictions ?? (FRPA Section 58 (1) (b) – NO GO or Wildlife Act – NO GO)
    - Working to restrict the use of llama trackers, etc.
  - Parks- amendment to their conservation policy
  - Public Outreach Strategy
  - Mountain Goats

Ms. Kistowska provided an example of disease wiping out 90% of two thinhorn sheep herds in Nevada, USA in 2009 and 2010. She noted that the potential impact to guide outfitters as they rely on the thinhorn sheep for their business would be significant.

Mr. Vanderstar commented that the order is a precautionary measure to prevent disease. FLNRORD will continue to communicate and share data with municipalities and the Regional District as requested.

Chair Miller thanked Mr. Vanderstar and Ms. Kistowska for attending the meeting

**Break for Lunch at 12:07 p.m.**

**Reconvened at 12:45 p.m**

## **REPORTS**

### Spring Freshet – Update

Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning provided an update in regard to the Spring Freshet in the RDBN. He noted that there are some localized areas within the region that are currently sandbagging due to imminent threat to primary residence from rising water levels. Director Llewellyn thanked District of Fort St. James staff for their assistance in providing information regarding rising water levels in Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural). Staff will be receiving an update from the River Forecast Centre on May 8<sup>th</sup> in regard to upcoming forecasts.

Canadian Bioenergy  
Conference & Exhibition  
-June 6-8, 2018, Prince  
George, B.C.

Moved by Director Bachrach  
Seconded by Alternate Director Layton

C.W.2018-4-3

“That the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako authorize Chair Miller’s attendance at the Canadian Bioenergy Conference and Exhibition on June 6-8, 2018 in Prince George, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### Directors’ Remuneration Draft bylaw for Discussion

John Illes, Chief Financial Officer provided an overview of changes made to the RDBN Remuneration and Expenses Bylaw.

Discussion took place regarding the following:

- 8. Expenses
  - (C) Meal Expenses Within the RDBN
  - (B)(ii) Accommodation Costs
    - Discussed adjusting the private accommodation rate paid of \$30
  - 9. Insurance – Use of Private Vehicle
  - 10. Communications
    - Discussed the ability to transfer a personal cell phone to RDBN cell carrier if the phone is a secure phone
  - 11. Local Government Conventions
    - Creating an incentive for car pooling
  - Schedule A – Chair and Directors’ Remuneration
    - 2. Rural Directors’ Local Governance Remuneration
  - 3. Chair, Vice-Chair Remuneration and Committee Chair
    - Being a Chair for more than one Committee and receive remuneration for only one meeting
    - Discussed the workload of a chair of a committee
  - 5. Emergency Situations
  - Schedule B – Meeting Remuneration
  - Schedule C – Travel Time Remuneration
    - In the past travel has been included in the day rate
    - No longer claim for travel days but for travel time
    - Keep the information simple and clearly define travel time
    - Difference between municipalities and regional districts
    - Receive \$0.55 per km and travel time remuneration of \$25 per 100 kilometres driven
    - Minimum mileage claim – in the current bylaw is 16 kms

## **REPORTS (CONT'D)**

Director Thiessen spoke of determining a minimum dollar amount to attend meetings. He noted the challenges of being an elected official in regard to time vs. compensation. Director Greenaway spoke of the travel time required of some Directors to attend meetings and expressed his support for travel time remuneration.

Director Fisher spoke of developing incentives to car pool. Discussion took place regarding the challenges for some Directors to car pool and the ability to car pool when possible. Discussion took place in regard to the expense of using a vehicle.

Staff directed to:

- Leave in: Schedule C- Travel Time Remuneration # 2 – Travel time remuneration is \$25 per 100 kilometres driven
- Return: the Per day rate travel remuneration (current policy)
- Remove: separate remuneration for travel to conventions and event
- Accommodation Costs
  - adjust the private accommodation rate paid of \$30 to \$60
- Schedule A – Chair and Directors' Remuneration #2 Rural Directors' Local Governance Remuneration – current policy remain to include Rural Directors will be paid an additional \$1 per year for each resident in their respective electoral area

Chair, Vice-Chair  
Remuneration and  
Committee Chair

Moved by Director Bachrach  
Seconded by Director Benedict

C.W.2018-4-4

“That the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to amend the draft RDBN Remuneration and Expense Bylaw to include:

Schedule A – Chair and Directors' Remuneration

#3) Chair, Vice-Chair Remuneration and Committee Chair

D) Where more than one Chair or Vice-Chair or Committee Chair position is held by the same Director, the chair is compensated at the highest of any Chair remuneration; and further, that for each additional meeting Chaired, the Chair is compensated at 50% of the highest of any Chair remuneration.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

DEFEATED

Chair, Vice-Chair  
Remuneration and  
Committee Chair

Moved by Director Parker  
Seconded by Alternate Director Layton

C.W.2018-4-5

“That the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors direct staff to amend the draft RDBN Remuneration and Expense Bylaw to include:

Schedule A – Chair and Directors' Remuneration

#3) Chair, Vice-Chair Remuneration and Committee Chair

D) Where more than one Chair or Vice-Chair or Committee Chair position is held by the same Director, for more than one committee the Chair receives remuneration for each committee Chaired.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **REPORTS (CONT'D)**

### **Administration Reports, Correspondence & Invitations**

Moved by Alternate Director McGuire  
Seconded by Director MacDougall

C.W.2018-4-6

“That the Committee of the Whole receive the following reports:  
-the Proposal Writer’s April 19, 2018 memo titled "Building BC  
Community Housing Fund;  
-Finance/Administration Coordinator’s April 18, 2018 memo titled  
"2019 Changes to BC Medical Service Plan Premiums;  
-Finance/Administration Coordinator’s April 18, 2018 memo titled  
"2019 Changes to Canada Pension Plan;  
Emergency Services Manager’s April 24, 2018 memo titled “April  
1, 2018 Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin;

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

-Columbia Shuswap Regional District in regard to Class E  
Licences;  
the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in regard to Climate  
Change Staff Grants;

#### **INVITATIONS**

-Building Partnerships for Community Sustainability on June 6,  
2018 in Prince George, B.C;  
-BC Natural Resources Forum – Resources for Future  
Generations on June 16-21, 2018 in Vancouver, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **Fraser Basin Council -Invitation Nechako Watershed Roundtable Local Government Update and Scoping Discussion**

Moved by Alternate Director Layton  
Seconded by Director Greenaway

C.W.2018-4-7

“That the Committee of the Whole receive the Fraser Basin Council  
– Invitation to attend the Nechako Watershed Roundtable Local  
Government Update and Scoping Discussion on May 9, 2018  
4:30 to 5:15 p.m. at the NCLGA AGM in Fort Nelson.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Director Greenaway mentioned that a meeting is being planned  
with the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George to discuss the  
Nechako Watershed Roundtable while in attendance at the  
NCLGA AGM. RDBN Directors are invited to attend.

#### **Provincial Caribou Recovery Program – Discussion Paper**

Moved by Director Brien  
Seconded by Alternate Director Layton

C.W.2018-4-8

“That the Committee of the Whole receive the Provincial Caribou  
Recovery Program Discussion Paper.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**IN-CAMERA MOTION**

Moved by Alternate Director Layton  
Seconded by Director Brienen

C.W.2018-4-9

“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)(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for the purpose (Home Occupation at Gala Bay Road) may 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 Bachrach  
Seconded by Director Greenaway

C.W.2018-4-10

“That the meeting be adjourned at 1:57 p.m.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Bill Miller, Chair

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Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant