STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT
AGENDA
Thursday, July 09, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

AGENDA & SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

July 9, 2026

Approve

MINUTES

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Approve

REPORT

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Recommendation

VERBAL REPORTS

RECEIPT OF VERBAL REPORTS

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

IN-CAMERA MOTION

That this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1)(d) of the *Community Charter* for the Board to deal with matters relating to:

- Financial Security

ADJOURNMENT

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 28, 2026

Directors Present:	Chair Judy Greenaway Martin Elphee Clint Lambert Linda McGuire Shirley Moon Kevin Moutray Mark Parker Michael Riis-Christianson Sarrah Storey Henry Wiebe
Staff:	Curtis Helgesen, Secretary Cheryl Anderson, Acting Secretary John Illes, Treasurer Wendy Wainwright, Recording Secretary
Others:	Merewyn Comeau, LD News/Black Press Media - arrived at 9:52 Megan D'Arcy, Regional Agriculture Coordinator - via Zoom - arrived at 10:28 a.m. Michael Hoefer, Executive Director, Capital Planning Facilities Operations & Logistics, Northern Health - via Zoom - left at 9:59 a.m. Leigh Purnell, Smithers, B.C. Jasbir Singh Bhamra, Architect, Regional Director, Capital Development and Projects, Northern Health - arrived via Zoom at 9:59 a.m., left at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Greenaway called the meeting to order at 9:48 a.m.

AGENDA

May 28, 2026

2026-SNRHD-040
Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Lambert
That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Agenda for May 28, 2026 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Meeting Minutes - March 26, 2026

2026-SNRHD-041
Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Storey
That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Meeting Minutes for March 26, 2026 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

NORTHERN HEALTH - Michael Hoefer, Executive Director, Capital Planning, Facilities Operations & Logistics, Northern Health

Re: Vanderhoof Primary Care

Chair Greenaway welcomed Michael Hoefer, Executive Director, Capital Planning, Facilities Operations & Logistics, Northern Health.

Mr. Hoefer provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Vanderhoof Primary Care

- Project details
- Location of new Primary Care Facility
- Building Functional Program
- Project Status and Activities

- Project Timeline.

The following was discussed:

- The Ministry of Health and Ministry of Infrastructure have indicated they won't be organizing an official groundbreaking
  - Requesting attendance at a groundbreaking
  - Infrastructure projects in northern B.C. have a significant impact
- Equipment due to be on site next week.

2026-SNRHD-042
Moved by Director Moutray
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson
That the Board write a letter to the Minister of Health and Minister of Infrastructure requesting that an official groundbreaking for the Vanderhoof Primary Care Facility be planned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

John Illes, Treasurer - Request for a CT Scanner at St. John Hospital (Vanderhoof)

2026-SNRHD-043
Moved by Director Moutray
Seconded by Director Lambert
That the Board write a Letter to Northern Health requesting that a CT Scanner for St. John Hospital be prioritized for installation as early as 2027 and request information on how the Hospital District Board can best support this project moving forward.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board discussed gathering information and data around costs and delivery area for a CT scanner at St. John Hospital in Vanderhoof and the best equipment to relieve pressure from the UHNBC in Prince George and support the region.

2026-SNRHD-044
Moved by Director Lambert

Seconded by Director Wiebe
That the Board receive the Treasurer's Request for a CT Scanner at St. John Hospital.

<u>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

John Illes, Treasurer - Update on Southside Helipad Fundraising Efforts

Discussion took place regarding:

- A breakdown and details of the $582,000 estimated cost for a helipad on the Southside
    - Northern Health has indicated the information is confidential
- Requirements for a rural helipad
- Potential funding partners are requesting a cost analysis.

2026-SNRHD-045
Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Storey
That the Board request Northern Health provide engineering design and clarification of the class of the costs totaling $582,000 for a helipad for the Southside.

<u>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

John Illes, Treasurer - Presentations from Northern Health

2026-SNRHD-046
Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director McGuire
That the Board receive the Treasurer's Presentations from Northern Health memorandum.

<u>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

The following was discussed:

- Fraser Lake Care facility being considered in years 12-14 of Northern Health's 10 year Capital Plan
    - Master Plan for Fraser Lake is planned for 2040
        - Once complete the Plan is forwarded to the Province for consideration and can take a significant number of years to move forward

- Concerns regarding:
    - Rising costs of construction
    - Future anticipated growth in mining and industrial development in the area that may increase pressures on health care.
    - Strategy moving forward and advocacy
        - Potentially writing a letter to Northern Health expressing opposition to the 10 year master plan
            - Need to reevaluate priorities
            - Review future industrial activities and additional concerns.

Director Moon attended the Northern Health Strategic Planning meeting in Vanderhoof on May 27th and mentioned that the Stuart Nechako Manor has 50 beds and one respite bed with a wait list of 60 people. Director Moutray brought forward concerns regarding the Facility Condition Index (FCI) scoring for the facility ranks it low, however this does not include current needs. He noted the importance of the FCI scoring system needing to encompass the current need of a facility.

2026-SNRHD-047
Moved by Director Storey
Seconded by Director Parker
That the Board direct staff to formulate an advocacy letter to bring forward for the Board's consideration at a future meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2026-SNRHD-048
Moved by Director Moutray
Seconded by Director Storey
That the Board request that Northern Health consider reviewing the Facility Condition Index (FCI) and include a current needs assessment/score as part of the criteria in the FCI score.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

District of Vanderhoof - Director Moutray

- Anesthesiologist in Vanderhoof is moving to a contract position due to an increase in pay to provide services at hospitals throughout the north and will no longer be providing services at the St. John Hospital on a full-time basis.

District of Fort St. James - Director Elphee

- At the end of March 2026 two Practice-Ready Assessment (PRA) expired and are no longer providing services.

Village of Fraser Lake - Director Storey

- Attended a meeting with Northern Health at the NCLGA Conference and AGM May 20-22, 2026 in Prince George
    - Discussed the increased wage compensation for traveling/contract nurses and physicians
    - Losing a Pharmacist in the community.

Village of Granisle - Director McGuire

- The exterior door at the Granisle Medical Centre is nearing completion.

Village of Burns Lake - Director Wiebe

- Attended the Northern Health Strategic Planning meeting
    - discussed future industrial projects and utilizing buildings such as the College of New Caledonia to promote health care initiatives.

RECEIPT OF VERBAL REPORTS

2026-SNRHD-049
Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Wiebe
That the Board receive the various Directors' verbal reports.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IN-CAMERA MOTION

2026-SNRHD-050

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Lambert
That this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter for the Board to deal with matters relating to:

- Recruitment and Retention.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

2026-SNRHD-051

Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Parker
That the meeting be adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Judy Greenaway, Chairperson

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Wendy Wainwright, Recording Secretary

Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District
Board of Directors

To: Chair Greenaway and Board

From: John Illes, Treasurer

Date: July 9, 2026

Subject: **SNRHD Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 97, 2026**

RECOMMENDATION: **(all/directors/majority)**

That Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No 97, 2026 be given first, second, third reading, and adoption this 9th day of July 2026.

BACKGROUND

To grant funds to Northern Health for capital projects, a bylaw must be adopted specifying both the specific project and the maximum amount of funds that may be made available to that project.

This bylaw authorizes payments for the yearly building integrity and minor capital grant, the information technology grant, as well as for three major projects: St. John Hospital Air Handling Unit #1 replacement, Burns Lake Hospital Lighting Control replacement, and a Network refresh project in the Pines (Burns Lake).

ATTACHMENTS:

Bylaw No. 97 Capital Expenditure Bylaw

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BYLAW
BYLAW NO. 97

WHEREAS, the Board of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District proposes to expend money for capital expenditures included in the 2026 annual budget;

AND WHEREAS, those capital expenditures have received the approval required under Section 23 of the *Hospital District Act*;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District enacts the following capital expenditure bylaw as required by Section 32 of the *Hospital District Act*;

1. The Board hereby authorizes and approves expenditures of money necessary to complete the following capital contribution expenditures totaling $959,108, representing a portion not greater than 40% of each of the capital expenditures included in the 2026 budget more particularly detailed as follows:

Description	Amount
St. John Hospital Air Handling Unit #1	$292,800
BLH Lighting Controls	$344,400
Building Integrity and Minor Capital 2026 Grant	$213,600
IT Projects 2026 Grant	$ 64,308
Pines Network IT Refresh	$ 44,000
	$959,108

2. The Board hereby delegates the necessary authority to the Treasurer to settle payment.

3. This bylaw may be cited for all intents and purposes as the “Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Capital Expenditure Bylaw No. 97, 2026.”

READ A FIRST TIME this ______________ day of ______________ 2026

READ A SECOND TIME this______________ day of ______________ 2026

READ A THIRD TIME this ______________day of ______________ 2026

ADOPTED this this ______________ day of ______________ 2026

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Chairperson Secretary

I, hereby, certify that this is a true copy of Bylaw No. 97 as adopted.

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Secretary