

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2019

PRESENT: Chair Jerry Petersen

Directors Dolores Funk
Tom Greenaway
Linda McGuire
Mark Parker
Bev Playfair
Michael Riis-Christianson
Gerry Thiessen
Kim Watt-Senner

Director Absent Clint Lambert, Electoral Area "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural)

Alternate Director Scott Zayac, Electoral Area "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural)

Staff Curtis Helgesen, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
John Illes, Treasurer
Sashka Macievich, arrived at 10:30 a.m.
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Others Cam Dodds, Smithers
John Perry, Smithers

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Petersen called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Playfair

SNRHD.2019-7-1

"That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Agenda of October 24, 2019 be approved."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Stuart-Nechako Regional
Hospital District Meeting
Minutes –August 15, 2019

Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

SNRHD.2019-7-2

"That the minutes of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District meeting of August 15, 2019 be adopted."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

Surplus Funding Request

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

SNRHD.2019-7-3

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors contribute an additional \$85,448 to the Pines Cafeteria Expansion Project.”

Opposed: Director Parker CARRIED
 Director Riis-Christianson

(All/Directors/Majority)

Discussion took place regarding the surplus funds from the Fraser Lake Health Centre X-Ray Project to be used for a future roofing project at the Centre. The utilization of the surplus funds for future projects and the history of the Pines Cafeteria Expansion Project was discussed.

Second Quarter Summary (End of September 2019)

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director McGuire

SNRHD.2019-7-4

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the Treasurer’s October 24, 2019 memo titled “Second Quarter Summary (End of September 2019).”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ratification of Accounts Payable

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Playfair

SNRHD.2019-7-5

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors ratify the payment requests from Northern Health between September 10, 2019 and October 8, 2019.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Fort St. James Medical Clinic -Health and Wellness

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Playfair

SNRHD.2019-7-6

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the correspondence regarding the Fort St. James Medical Clinic – Health and Wellness Symposium.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Granisle Health Centre

Director McGuire mentioned that negotiations are still taking place with School District 91 and Northern Health in regard to moving the Granisle Health Centre to a location at the Babine Elementary-Secondary School. The Health Centre will remain at its current location until April 2020 and service levels will remain in place.

VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)

Northern Health Annual General Meeting -October 21, 2019 in Prince George, B.C.

Director Greenaway along with Chair Petersen, Curtis Helgesen, Chief Administrative Officer and John Illes, Treasurer attended the Northern Health Annual General Meeting on October 21, 2019 in Prince George, B.C. Chair Petersen noted that he has a copy of the Five-Year Financial Plan for those that would like to review it. He commented that Northern Health has done a good job of disbursing funds amongst the projects to be completed in its five Hospital Districts.

Director Greenaway mentioned that a presentation was provided at the AGM in regard to technology to assist those with Parkinson's Disease for hand tremors. He mentioned that an event is taking place on November 6, 2019 at the University of Northern B.C. in Prince George that will include a demonstration on the technology and recommended that anyone impacted by Parkinson's Disease should attend.

Director Greenaway noted that Northern Health rescheduled the meeting that was to take place at UBCM after the AGM and the following was discussed:

- Stuart Nechako Manor
 - o Renovations from the fire in Spring 2019 will be complete in December 2020
 - o The renovations revealed other issues that will need to be addressed such as the roof. Chair Petersen indicated that Northern Health will not be requesting a financial contribution when the roof requires replacement
 - o One individual is still currently displaced and waiting to move back into the Manor
 - o Highly stressful event for the occupants of the Manor
 - o Some individuals passed away prior to the renovations being completed
- Fort St. James Primary Health Care Facility
 - o Phase 1 opening has been postponed three weeks
 - o Phase 2 will be complete in January 2020
- Fort St. James Hospital Project
 - o Business Plan to be completed end of 2019 to be submitted to the Province
 - o Construction to potentially begin in 2021 and is approximately a five-year construction build.

Lakes District Hospital and Health Centre Working Groups

Director Funk noted that the Lakes District Hospital and Health Centre is forming endoscopy and perinatal working groups to work on expanding services at the facility.

Doctor Recruitment and Retention in Vanderhoof

Director Thiessen reported that Vanderhoof has lost six doctors in the past year and is working with Northern Health to attract and retain new doctors and one doctor has been recruited.

Children's Hospital Fundraiser -Vanderhoof

Director Thiessen commented that the Children's Hospital Fundraiser hosted in Vanderhoof on October 18, 2019 raised approximately \$60,000.

Receipt of Verbal Reports

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Playfair

SNRHD-2019-7-7

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

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director Playfair

SNRHD.2019-7-8

“That the meeting be adjourned at 10:45 a.m.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Jerry Petersen, Chairperson

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant