STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT AGENDA THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2022

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AGENDA – March 31, 2022 Approve

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA Receive

MINUTES

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Meeting Minutes – February 24, 2022

DELEGATION

BESWICK HILDEBRANDT LUND

Taylor Turkington, Manager

Re: SNRHD Audit

REPORT

5-42 John Illes, Treasurer – Financial Statements and

Audit for the Year Ending December 31, 2021

Recommendation

Approve

CORRESPONDENCE

VERBAL REPORTS

RECEIPT OF VERBAL REPORTS

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022

PRESENT: Chair Jerry Petersen

> Directors **Dolores Funk**

> > Tom Greenaway Clint Lambert Linda McGuire Mark Parker **Bob Motion**

Michael Riis-Christianson Sarrah Storey - via Zoom

Gerry Thiessen

Staff Curtis Helgesen, Chief Administrative Officer

Cheryl Anderson, Director of Corporate Services

John Illes, Treasurer

Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning - via Zoom

Wendy Wainwright, Deputy Director of Corporate Services

Others Shannon Douglas, NI Lakes/Omineca Medical Director, Northern Health

Mike Hoefer, Regional Director, Capital Planning and Support Services,

Northern Health

James Simpson, Health Services Administrator, Northern Health

Media Eddie Huband, LD News - via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER Chair Petersen called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Moved by Director Parker AGENDA

Seconded by Director McGuire

SNRHD.2022-3-1 "That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Agenda of February

24, 2022 be approved."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Stuart-Nechako Regional **Hospital District Meeting** Minutes - February 10, 2022 Moved by Director Greenaway Seconded by Director Motion

"That the minutes of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District SNRHD.2022-3-2

meeting of February 10, 2022 be adopted."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

No. 84, 2022

SNRHD Annual Budget Bylaw Moved by Director Greenaway Seconded by Director Motion

"That Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Annual Budget Bylaw SNRHD.2022-3-3

No. 84, 2022 be adopted this 24th day of February, 2022."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Meeting Minutes February 24, 2022 Page 2

REPORTS (CONT'D)

SNRHD Annual Budget Bylaw

No. 85, 2022

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson Seconded by Director Greenaway

SNRHD.2022-3-4

"That Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Annual Budget Bylaw No. 85, 2022 be given first, second, third reading and adoption this 24th

day of February, 2022."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Northern Health - Re: Fort St. Moved by Director Motion James Hospital Courtyard

Seconded by Director McGuire

SNRHD.2022-3-5

"That the Board receive the correspondence from Northern Health

regarding the Fort St. James Hospital Courtyard."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Director McGuire, Village of

Granisle

Director McGuire provided an update regarding nursing Services at the Granisle Health Clinic.

<u>Director Funk – Village of</u>

Burns Lake

Director Funk provided an update regarding the challenges at the Lakes District Hospital and Health Centre Lab.

Director Thiessen – District of

Vanderhoof

SNRHD.2022-3-6

Director Thiessen indicated Parkview facility in Vanderhoof will

"That the verbal reports of the various Board of Directors be received."

be opening soon.

Verbal Reports Moved by Director Lambert

Seconded by Director Greenaway

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Director Lambert IN-CAMERA MOTION

Seconded by Director McGuire

SNRHD.2022-3-7 "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, 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 (Northern Health Capital Projects) therefore exercise their option of excluding the public for this

meetina."

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ADJOURNMENT	Moved by Director parker Seconded by Director Greenaway	
SNRHD.2022-3-8	"That the meeting be adjourned at 9:40 a.m."	
	(All/Directors/Majority)	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Jerry Petersen, Chairperson		Wendy Wainwright, Deputy Director of Corporate Services

Stuart-Nechako

Memo

Regional Hospital District

To: Chair Petersen and the Board of Directors

From: John Illes, Treasurer Date: March 31, 2022

Regarding: Financial Statements and Audit for the Year Ending December 31, 2021

Recommendation:

(all/directors/majority)

"That the Audited Financial Statements be approved and that the Chair and Treasurer be given Board approval to sign the Financial Statements."

"That the Audit Planning Letter and Year End Audit Findings Report to the Board be received."

Discussion:

The Hospital District has successfully completed the year end audit with an unqualified opinion.

The accumulated surplus of just over \$12 million, held mostly in Guaranteed Investment Certificates, is largely allocated to be utilized for the Stuart Lake Hospital project.

Attachments: Draft Audited Financial Statements for 2021

Beswick Hildebrandt Lund Audit Planning Letter Year End Audit Findings Report to the Board

Financial Statements

December 31, 2021



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2021

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Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and the integrity and objectivity of these statements are management's responsibility. Management is also responsible for all of the notes to the financial statements and schedules, and for ensuring that this information is consistent, where appropriate, with the information contained in the financial statements. A summary of the significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. The preparation of financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates based on management's judgment, particularly when transactions affecting the current accounting period cannot be finalized with certainty until future periods

Management is also responsible for implementing and maintaining a system of internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that reliable financial information is produced. The internal controls are designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, transactions are properly authorized and recorded in compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements, and reliable financial information is available on a timely basis for preparation of the financial statements.

The Board of Directors are responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and internal control, and exercises these responsibilities through the Board. The Board reviews internal financial statements on a quarterly basis and external audited financial statements yearly. The Board also discuss any significant financial reporting or internal control matters prior to their approval of the financial statements.

The external auditors, Beswick Hildebrandt Lund CPA, conduct an independent examination, in accordance with Canadian auditing standards, and express their opinion on the financial statements. The external auditors have full and free access to financial management of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District and meet when required. The accompanying Auditor's Report outlines their responsibilities, the scope of their examination and their opinion on the financial statements.

On behalf of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District			
John Illes	Jerry Petersen		
Chief Financial Officer	Chairperson		



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District (the Entity), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2021, and the statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at December 31, 2021, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standard.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with PSAS, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.



Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
 fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
 evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a
 material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may
 involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



Chartered Professional Accountants

Prince George, British Columbia March 31, 2022



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2021

	2021	2020
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2) Accounts receivable	\$ 12,136,335 13,639	\$ 9,302,733 7,021
	12,149,974	9,309,754
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 4)	-	23,475
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	\$ 12,149,974	\$ 9,286,279
Approved By The Board:		
Chairperson		
Treasurer		

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the year ended December 31, 2021

2021		2020
Budget (Note 3)	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>
, ,		
\$ 4,814,871	\$ 4,815,377	\$ 4,681,260
139,136	102,223	147,299
-	-	2,056
9,432	15,982	10,715
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3,045,459	2,045,459	1,459,942
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3,075,459	2,069,887	1,485,990
1 887 080	2 863 695	3,355,340
1,007,300	2,003,033	3,333,340
9,286,279	9,286,279	5,930,939
\$ 11 174 259	\$ 12.149.974	\$ 9,286,279
	Budget (Note 3) \$ 4,814,871	Budget (Note 3) Actual \$ 4,814,871 139,136 102,223 \$ 4,815,377 102,223 9,432 15,982 \$ 4,933,582 4,963,439 4,933,582 \$ 2,045,459 24,428 30,000 24,428 \$ 2,069,887 1,887,980 2,863,695 \$ 2,863,695 9,286,279 9,286,279

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended December 31, 2021

	2021	2020
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Annual surplus	\$ 2,863,695	\$ 3,355,340
Changes in non-cash assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(6,618) (23,475)	(21) (89,598)
Total cash from operating activities	2,833,602	3,265,721
INCREASE IN CASH	2,833,602	3,265,721
CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	9,302,733	6,037,012
CASH AT THE END OF THE YEAR	<u>\$ 12,136,335</u>	\$ 9,302,733

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 2021

The Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District ("Regional Hospital District") was incorporated on November 19, 1998 and commenced operations on January 1, 1999. The Regional Hospital District provides funding to the following facilities, all operated by the Northern Health Authority: the Fraser Lake Diagnostic and Treatment Centre, the Granisle Health Centre, the Lakes District Hospital and the Pines Multi-level Care Facility (both in Burns Lake), the St. John Hospital, and the Stuart Nechako Manor (both located in Vanderhoof), and the Stuart Lake Hospital (Fort St. James).

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

No Schedule of Expenditures by function has been presented because the Regional Hospital District has only one function – providing financing for equipment, renovation and construction of Hospitals and Health Centres.

No Statement of Change in Net Debt has been included because the Regional Hospital District does not own non-financial assets. The function of this statement is to reconcile financial and non-financial assets.

Budget figures disclosed throughout the financial statements have been extracted from the 2021 final budget, adopted on February 25, 2021.

Subsequent amendments to the budget bylaw are not reflected in the budget figures.

<u>Cash</u>

Cash includes cash on hand and demand deposits.

Financial Instruments

Measurement of financial instruments

The Regional Hospital District initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. The Regional Hospital District subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at cost.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash, temporary investments and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities measured at cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Unless otherwise indicated, it is management's opinion that the Regional Hospital District is not exposed to any significant credit, liquidity or interest risks arising from these financial instruments.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 2021

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued

Revenue Recognition

Revenue generated by taxes is recognized in the period to which it is requisitioned. Grants in lieu of taxes are recognized in the period they pertain to. Interest revenue is recognized in the period it is earned.

2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2021	2020
Bank accounts Guaranteed investment certificates	\$ 2,385,743 9,750,592	\$ 1,644,721 7,658,012
	\$ 12,136,335	\$ 9,302,733

Cash and cash equivalents consist unrestricted cash and fixed income guaranteed investment certificates, which have a maturity of one year or less, and are carried at market value which approximates cost. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the guaranteed investment certificate interest rates ranged between 0.95% to 2.55% (2020 – 0.90% to 2.65%).

3. BUDGET

The annual budget adopted by the Board of Directors on February 25, 2021 was prepared on a modified accrual basis while the financial statements are prepared on a full accrual basis as required by Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards. The budget anticipated the use of surpluses accumulated in prior years to supplement current year revenues. In addition, the budget included transfers to and from reserves.

The budget figures included in these financial statements represent the budget adopted by the Board of Directors with adjustments as follows:

		 2021
Budgete	ed surplus per statement of financial activities	\$ 1,887,980
Add:	Prior years net surplus	-
Less:	Contributions to reserves	(139,136)
Surplus	in the financial plan	\$ 1,748,844

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 2021

4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Regional Hospital District and the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako share the same management team but operate under the governance of a different board of directors.

During the year, the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako provided administration and accounting services of \$15,900 (2020 - \$15,900) to the Regional Hospital District.

As of December 31, 2021 there was \$nil accounts payable (2020 - \$23,475) from the Regional Hospital District to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako.

This amount is unsecured, non-interest bearing, with no specific terms of repayment.

5. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Coronavirus ("COVID-19") outbreak was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization in 2020 and continues to have a significant global financial and economic impact. For the reporting date of December 31, 2021, the COVID-19 is considered by management as a non-adjusting event. Consequently, there is no impact on the recognition and measurement of assets and liabilities.

The Regional Hospital District understands this health and economic crisis presents uncertainty over future cash flows, and for future operations. An estimate of the financial effect is not practicable at this time.



March 7, 2022

Board of Directors Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District PO Box 820 Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

Dear Board of Directors:

Re: Audit Planning

We are writing this letter in connection with our audit of the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2021.

Our purpose in writing is to ensure effective two-way communication between us in our role as auditors and yourselves with the role of overseeing the financial reporting process. In this letter we will:

- a. Address our responsibilities as independent auditors and provide information about the planned scope and timing of our audit.
- b. Request a response to some audit questions and any additional information you may have that could be relevant to our audit.

Auditor Responsibilities

The respective responsibilities of ourselves and of management in relation to the audit of financial statements are set out in the engagement letter that was signed by management and a representative of the board on January 19, 2022. Please refer to the engagement letter for more information.

Planned Scope and Timing of Our Audit

Our objective as auditors is to express an opinion on whether the financial statements are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards (PSAS).

In developing our audit plan, we worked with management to understand the nature of the entity Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District and to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. Our audit plan has been designed to focus on the identified areas of risk.

Robin Lund CPA, CGA



Materiality

For the current period, we have determined an overall materiality amount of \$62,100. We have also considered misstatements that could be material in qualitative financial statement disclosures. Materiality will be used to:

- a. Plan and perform the audit; and,
- b. Evaluate the effects of identified and uncorrected misstatements on the audit procedures performed as well as on the financial statements.

The materiality amount will be reassessed at period end to ensure it remains appropriate.

Significant Changes During the Period

The significant changes that we addressed in planning the audit for the current period are set out below:

- a. Entity operations and personnel;
 - No significant changes were identified
- b. Accounting and control systems;
 - No significant changes were identified
- Accounting and auditing standards; and
 - No significant changes were identified
- d. Other.

No other significant changes were identified

Internal Control

To help identify and assess the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements, we obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit. This understanding is used in the design of appropriate audit procedures. It is not used for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control. Should we identify any significant deficiencies in the internal control and accounting systems, we will communicate them to you in our audit findings letter.

Significant Risks

In planning our audit, we identify significant financial reporting risks that, by their nature, require special audit consideration. The significant risks we have identified and our proposed audit response is outlined below:

If there are specific areas that warrant our particular attention during the audit or where you would like us to undertake some additional procedures, please let us know.



Significant Risks	Proposed Audit Response
Revenue Recognition Auditing standards assume a rebuttable presumption, that there is a significant risk of fraud in revenue recognition in all organizations. We have considered the following criteria in assessing this risk: Complexity of revenue recognition policy and type of transactions; Incentive/pressure to misstate revenue transactions or related balances; Potential opportunity and rationalization.	The Regional Hospital District's significant sources of revenue consist of property tax requisition, interest, and grants in lieu of taxes The risk of fraud in revenue recognition lies in revenue from property tax requisition and interest. There is a risk that revenue from these sources may be recorded in the wrong period or not complete. We will perform the following procedures: Update our understanding of the potential risk of fraud and error related to revenue recognition and understood and evaluated the related internal controls; Test revenue sources substantively and through analytical procedures where appropriate; Examine a selection of journal entries related to revenue recognition; Substantively test revenue cut-off; and Where applicable agreed on a test basis, deferred revenue amounts to underlying documentation to verify that revenue was appropriately recognized or deferred.



Significant Risks, continued	Proposed Audit Response, continued	
Management Override of Controls	We will perform the following procedures:	
Auditing standards require that the risk of material misstatement due to management override of	 Inquired with the Board of Directors and Management to determine whether they were aware of the occurrence of actual or suspected fraud; 	
controls be considered a significant risk on every audit engagement.	 Updated our understanding of management's process for initiating, recording and approving journal entries; 	
The risk relates to the manipulation of the financial	 Examined a sample of journal entries meeting certain criteria; 	
reporting process by recording inappropriate or unauthorized journal entries or by making adjustments to amounts reported	 Examined management's assessment of current year estimates and the outcome of prior year estimates; 	
in the financial statements that are not reflected in the journal entries.	 Considered management biases in our testing of estimates and provision, and the application of accounting policies; and Incorporated elements of unpredictability in our audit approach 	
	approach.	

Uncorrected Misstatements

Where we identify uncorrected misstatements during our audit, we will communicate them to management and request that they be corrected. If not corrected by management, we will then request that you correct them. If not corrected by you, we will also communicate the effect that they may have individually, or in aggregate, on our audit opinion.

Timing

The proposed timing of our audit (as discussed with management) is as follows:

Action	Planned date
Planning	March 7, 2022
Start of audit field work	March 14, 2022
End of audit field work	March 17, 2022
Review Audit Findings with Board of Directors	To be determined
Approval of financial statements by the Board of Directors	To be determined
Provide the audit opinion on financial statements	To be determined



Engagement Team

Our engagement team for this audit will consist of the following personnel:

Name	Role	Contact details
Taylor Turkington	Partner	778-764-2654
Levi London	Accountant	778-764-2663
Owen Stewart	Accountant	778-764-2655

Audit Findings

At the conclusion of our audit, we will prepare an audit findings letter to assist you with your review of the financial statements. This letter will include our views and comments on matters such as:

- a. Significant matters, if any, arising from the audit that were discussed with management;
- b. Significant difficulties, if any, encountered during the audit;
- c. Qualitative aspects of the entity's accounting practices, including accounting policies, accounting estimates and financial statement disclosures;
- d. Uncorrected misstatements; and
- e. Any other audit matters of governance interest.

Audit Questions and Requests

Fraud

To help us in identifying and responding to the risks of fraud within the entity, we would appreciate your responses to the following questions:

- 1. What oversight, if any, do you provide over management's processes for identifying and responding to fraud risks? Management's processes could include policies, procedures, programs or controls that serve to prevent, detect and deter fraud.
- 2. Do you have any knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud, including misappropriation of assets or manipulation of the financial statements, affecting the entity? If so, please provide details and how the fraud or allegations of fraud were addressed.

Other Matters

Would you please bring to our attention any significant matters or financial reporting risks, of which you are aware, that may not have been specifically addressed in our proposed audit plan. This could include such matters as future plans, contingencies, events, decisions, non-compliance with laws and regulations, potential litigation, specific transactions (such as with related parties or outside of the normal course of business) and any additional sources of audit evidence that might be available.

Fees

Our proposed audit fee of \$2,750, for the period ending December 31, 2021, is based on the nature, extent and timing of our planned audit procedures as described above.



We recognize your significant role in the oversight of the audit and would welcome any observations on our audit plan.

This letter was prepared for the sole use of those charged with governance of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District to carry out and discharge their responsibilities. The content should not be disclosed to any third party without our prior written consent, and we assume no responsibility to any other person.

Yours truly,

Beswick Hildebrandt Lund Chartered Professional Accountants

Beswick Hildebrandt Lund



Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District

Year-End Audit Findings Report to Board of Directors

For the year ending December 31, 2021

Prepared as of March 18, 2022



March 18, 2022

Board of Directors Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District PO Box 820 Burns Lake, BC V0J 1E0

Dear Board of Directors:

Re: Audit Findings

We prepared the accompanying report to assist you in your review of the financial statements of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District for the year ending December 31, 2021. The report includes a discussion on the significant accounting and financial reporting matters dealt with during the audit process as well as communications required by Canadian generally accepted auditing standards.

We have substantially completed our audit of the financial statements of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District (the entity) prepared in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards (PSAS) for the year ended December 31, 2021. We propose to issue our auditor's report on those financial statements, pending resolution of outstanding items outlined on page 1. Our draft auditor's report is included as Appendix A.

We look forward to meeting with you and discussing the matters outlined below.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the management and staff of the entity who have assisted us in carrying out our work. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours very truly,

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Taylor Turkington CPA

Partner

c.c: John Illes, Chief Financial Officer

Robin Lund CPA, CGA



Audit Status

We have completed the audit of the financial statements, with the exception of the following items:

- Receipt of a signed management representation letter by management;
- Completing our discussions with the Board of Directors;
- Obtaining evidence of the Board's approval of the financial statements;

Once these items have been completed, we will date and sign our auditor's report.

Significant Risks

We identified the following significant risks in our planning letter dated March 7, 2022:

- Revenue recognition
- Management Override of Controls

We executed the proposed audit responses to the significant risks identified above, as noted in our planning letter, and we have no issues to report.

Significant Matters Arising

Changes to Audit Plan

There were no changes to the audit plan (as previously presented to you).

Other Matters

We have not identified any other significant matters that we wish to bring to your attention at this time.

Significant Difficulties Encountered

There were no significant difficulties encountered during our audit.

Comments on Accounting Practices

Accounting Policies

Management is responsible for the appropriate selection and application of accounting policies. Our role is to review the appropriateness and application as part of our audit. The significant accounting policies used by the entity are outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

- There were no significant changes in accounting policies.
- We did not identify any alternative accounting policies that would have been more appropriate in the circumstances.
- We did not identify any significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas.



Significant Accounting Estimates

Management is responsible for the accounting estimates included in financial statements. Estimates and the related judgments and assumptions are based on management's knowledge of the business and past experience about current and future events.

Our responsibility as auditors is to obtain sufficient appropriate evidence to provide reasonable assurance that management's accounting estimates are reasonable within the context of the financial statements as a whole. An audit includes performing appropriate procedures to verify the:

- Calculation of accounting estimates;
- Analyzing of key factors such as underlying management assumptions;
- Materiality of estimates individually and in the aggregate in relation to the financial statements as a whole:
- Estimate's sensitivity to variation and deviation from historical patterns;
- Estimate's consistency with the entity's business plans; and
- Other audit evidence.

Based on audit work performed, there were no significant estimates made by management

Significant Financial Statement Disclosures

We did not identify any financial statement disclosures that are particularly significant, sensitive or require significant judgments, that we believe should be specifically drawn to your attention.

Uncorrected Misstatements

We did not identify or detect any uncorrected misstatements for the current year during our audit.

Significant Deficiencies in Internal Control

A deficiency in internal control exists when a control is designed, implemented or operated in such a way that it is unable to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements in the financial statements on a timely basis, or when a control necessary to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements in the financial statements on a timely basis is missing.

A significant deficiency in internal control is defined as a deficiency or combination of deficiencies in internal control that, in the auditor's professional judgment, is of sufficient importance to merit the of those charged with governance.

To identify and assess the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit. This understanding is used for the limited purpose of designing appropriate audit procedures. It is not used for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control and, as a result, we do not express any such opinion. The limited purpose also means that there can be no assurance that all significant



deficiencies in internal control, or any other control deficiencies, will be identified during our audit.

We did not identify any control deficiencies that, in our judgment, would be considered significant deficiencies.

Written Representations

In a separate communication, as attached in Appendix B, we have requested a number of written representations from management in respect to their responsibility for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards (PSAS).

Disagreements with Management

We are required to communicate any disagreements with management, whether or not resolved, about matters that are individually or in aggregate significant to the entity's financial statements or auditor's report. Disagreements may arise over:

- Selection or application of accounting principles;
- Assumptions and related judgments for accounting estimates;
- Financial statement disclosures;
- Scope of the audit; or
- Wording of the auditor's report.

We are pleased to inform you that we had no disagreements with management during the course of our audit.

Consultation with Other Accountants (Second Opinions)

Management may consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters to obtain a "second opinion". When an entity requests that another accountant provide a written report or oral advice on the application of accounting principles to a specific transaction or the type of opinion that may be rendered on the entity's financial statements, we are required to ensure that the accountant has ensured that the reporting accountant has knowledge of all facts and circumstances and has conducted the engagement in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards on the Reports on the Application of Accounting Principles.

We are not aware of any consultations that have taken place with other accountants.

Independence

We confirm our independence with respect to the entity as of the date of this report.

Other Audit Matters of Governance Interest

We did not identify any other matters to bring to your attention at this time and would be pleased to discuss with you further any matters mentioned above, at your convenience.

We would like to thank management and staff for the assistance they provided to us during the audit.



We hope the information in this audit findings letter will be useful. Should any member of the Board of Directors wish to discuss or review any matter addressed in this letter or any other matters related to financial reporting, please do not hesitate to contact us at any time. We would be pleased to discuss them with you and respond to any questions you may have.

This letter was prepared for the sole use of those charged with governance of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District to carry out and discharge their responsibilities and is not intended for any other purpose. The content should not be disclosed to any third party without our prior written consent, and we assume no responsibility to a third party who uses this communication.

Yours very truly,

Beswick Hildebrandt Lund

Beswick Hildebrandt Lund Chartered Professional Accountants



Appendix A: Audit Report

Please see attached report.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District (the Entity), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2021, and the statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at December 31, 2021, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standard.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with PSAS, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.



Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



Chartered Professional Accountants

Prince George, British Columbia March 31, 2022





Appendix B: Management Representation Letter

Please see attached letter.

Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District

March 31, 2022

Beswick Hildebrandt Lund Chartered Professional Accountants 556 North Nechako Road, Suite 10 Prince George, British Columbia, V2K 1A1

Dear Sir/Madame:

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial statements of Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District for the year ended December 31, 2021, for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards (PSAS).

In making the representations outlined below, we took the time necessary to appropriately inform ourselves on the subject matter through inquiries of entity personnel with relevant knowledge and experience, and, where appropriate, by inspecting supporting documentation.

We confirm that (to the best of our knowledge and belief):

Financial Statements

We have fulfilled our responsibilities as set out in the terms of the audit engagement letter dated January 19, 2022 for:

- a. Preparing and fairly presenting the financial statements in accordance with PSAS;
- b. Providing you with:
 - i. Access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation of the financial statements, such as:
 - A. Accounting records, supporting data and other relevant documentation,
 - B. Minutes of meetings (such as shareholders, board of directors and audit committees) or summaries of actions taken for which minutes have not yet been prepared, and
 - C. Information on any other matters, of which we are aware, that is relevant to the preparation of the financial statements;
 - ii. Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit; and
 - iii. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom you determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- c. Ensuring that all transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements; and

d. Designing and implementing such internal control as we determined is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. We have also communicated to you any deficiencies in the design and implementation or the maintenance of internal control over financial reporting of which management is aware.

Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements are fairly presented in accordance with PSAS, and include all disclosures necessary for such fair presentation and disclosures otherwise required to be included therein by the laws and regulations to which Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District is subject. We have prepared the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District's financial statements on the basis that the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District is able to continue as a going concern.

We have appropriately reconciled our books and records (e.g. general ledger accounts) underlying the financial statements to their related supporting information (e.g. subledger or third party data). All related reconciling items considered to be material were identified and included on the reconciliations and were appropriately adjusted in the financial statements. There were no material unreconciled differences or material general ledger suspense account items that should have been adjusted or reclassified to another account balance. There were no material general ledger suspense account items written off to a statement of financial position account, which should have been written off to a revenue and expense account and vice versa. All intra entity entity accounts have been eliminated or appropriately measured and considered for disclosure in the financial statements.

Fraud

We have disclosed to you:

- a. All of our knowledge in relation to actual, alleged or suspected fraud affecting the entity's financial statements involving:
 - Management;
 - ii Employees who have significant roles in internal control; or
 - iii. Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements;
- b. All of our knowledge in relation to allegations of fraud or suspected fraud communicated by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators or others; and
- c. The results of our risk assessments regarding possible fraud or error in the financial statements.

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

We have disclosed all known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations, including all aspects of contractual agreements that should be considered when preparing the financial statements

There have been no communications from regulatory agencies concerning non-compliance with or deficiencies in financial reporting practices. We are up to date with all corporate filings and annual returns. This includes all Canada Revenue Agency GST returns.

Litigation and Claims

All known actual or possible litigation and claims, which existed as at December 31, 2021 or exist now, have been disclosed to you and accounted for and disclosed in accordance with PSAS, whether or not they have been discussed with legal counsel.

Related Parties

We have disclosed to you the identity of all of the entity's related-party relationships and transactions of which we are aware. This includes sales, purchases, loans, transfers of assets, liabilities and services, leasing agreements, guarantees, non-monetary transactions, and transactions for no consideration for the year ended as well as related balances due to or from such parties at the year end. All related-party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of CPA Canada Public Sector Accounting Handbook, Section PS 2200 (Related Party Disclosures) and we confirm our belief that any receivable balances are fully collectable. The list of related parties attached to this letter as Appendix A accurately and completely describes the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District's related parties and the relationships with such parties.

Estimates

We acknowledge our responsibility for determining the accounting estimates required for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with PSAS. Those estimates reflect our judgment based on our knowledge and experience of past and current events, and on our assumptions about conditions we expect to exist and courses of action we expect to take. In particular, we confirm the following:

- The measurement methods are appropriate and consistently applied;
- The significant assumptions used in determining fair value measurements represent our best estimates, are reasonable, appropriate and have been consistently applied;
- No subsequent event requires adjustment to the accounting estimates and disclosures included in the financial statements; and
- The significant assumptions used in determining fair value measurements are consistent with the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District's planned courses of action. We have no plans or intentions that have not been disclosed to you, which may materially affect the recorded or disclosed fair values of assets or liabilities.

Significant estimates and measurement uncertainties known to management that are required to be disclosed in accordance with CPA Canada Public Sector Accounting Handbook, Section PS 2130 (Measurement Uncertainty) have been appropriately disclosed, including all estimates where it is reasonably possible that the estimate will change in the near term and the effect of the change could be material to the financial statements.

Subsequent Events

We have identified all events that occurred between December 31, 2021 and the date of this letter that may require adjustment of, or disclosure in, the financial statements, and have effected such adjustment or disclosure as per the requirements of PSAS.

Going Concern

There are no events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District's ability to continue as a going concern.

We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements (e.g. to dispose of the business or to cease operations).

Commitments and Contingencies

All contractual arrangements entered into by Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District with third parties have been properly reflected in the accounting records or/and, where material

(or potentially material) to the financial statements, have been disclosed to you. Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District has complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that could have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of non-compliance. There are no side agreements or other arrangements (either written or oral) undisclosed to you.

There are no commitments, contingent liabilities/assets or guarantees (written or oral) that should be disclosed in the financial statements but have not been disclosed. This includes liabilities arising from contract terms, illegal acts or possible illegal acts, and environmental matters that would have an impact on the financial statements.

Misstatements and Adjustments

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to those matters that are material. Items are also considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information that, in light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would have been changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement.

We confirm that the are free from material misstatements, including omissions.

We confirm there are no uncorrected misstatements in the financial statements.

Other Representations

Accounting Policies

We confirm that we have reviewed the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District's accounting policies and, having regard to the possible alternative policies, our selection and application of accounting policies and estimation techniques used for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements is appropriate in the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District's particular circumstances.

All significant accounting policies are disclosed in the financial statements and are consistent with those used in the previous year (except as disclosed in the financial statements).

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

We have disclosed to you all deficiencies in the design or operation of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting that we are aware.

Minutes

All matters requiring disclosure to or approval of Board of Directors the have been brought before them at appropriate meetings and are reflected in the minutes.

Other Information

We confirm to you that we are not required by law, regulation or custom and do not intend to issue a document (which would include or accompany the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon) with information on Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District's operations and the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District's financial results and financial position as set out in the financial statements.

Assets and Liabilities

We have satisfactory title or control over all assets. We have recorded or disclosed, as appropriate, all liabilities, in accordance with PSAS.

For the following specific representations, the terms "year end" and "year" are defined as each year end and each year respectively, covered by the audit of the financial statements as stated above.

Cash and Banks

The books and records properly reflect and record all transactions affecting cash funds, bank accounts and bank indebtedness of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District.

All cash balances are under the control of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District, free from assignment or other charges, and unrestricted as to use, except as disclosed to you.

The amount shown for cash on hand or in bank accounts excludes trust or other amounts, which are not the property of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District.

Arrangements with financial institutions involving compensating balances or other arrangements involving restrictions on cash balances, line(s) of credit, or similar arrangements have been properly disclosed.

All cash and bank accounts and all other properties and assets of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District are included in the financial statements.

Accounts Receivable

All amounts receivable by the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District were recorded in the books and records.

Receivables classified as current do not include any material amounts that are collectible after one year.

Receivables recorded in the financial statements, represent bona fide claims against debtors for sales or other charges arising on or before the statement of financial position date[s] and are not subject to discount except for normal cash discounts.

Amounts receivable that are non-interest bearing and are expected to be paid more than a year after initial recognition date have been initially recognized at fair value, using an appropriate discount rate, and subsequently measured at amortized cost.

Amounts receivable amounted to \$13,639 and are considered to be fully collectible.

All receivables were free from hypothecation or assignment as security for advances to Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District, except as hereunder stated.

Financial Instruments

We have properly recorded all financial assets of equity instruments quoted on an active market at fair value.

We have evaluated whether there are indicators of impairment for all financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost, and where there has been a significant adverse change in the expected timing or amount of future cash flows from a financial asset or group of similar financial assets, we have assessed whether a reduction in the carrying value is necessary.

Accounts Payable

Accounts payable that are non-interest bearing and are expected to be paid more than a year after the initial recognition date have been classified as long term in the financial statements, initially recognized at fair value, using an appropriate discount rate, and subsequently measured at amortized cost.

Revenue Recognition

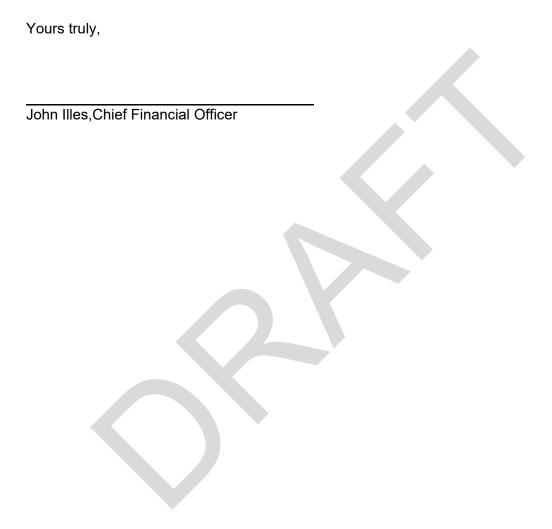
We have recorded all revenue that met the following criteria:

Persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists;

- Delivery has occurred, or services have been rendered;
- · Price is fixed or determinable; and
- Collectability is reasonably assured.

Budgetary Data

We have included budgetary data in our financial statements, which is relevant to the users of financial statements and consistent with that originally planned and approved by Board of Directors on February 25, 2022. Planned results were presented for the same scope of activities and on a basis consistent with that used for actual results.



Appendix A: Related Parties

See attached proposed related parties summary.



Appendix A: Related parties listing

Board of Directors

Director Clint Lambert, and immediate family

Director Linda Mcguire, and immediate family

Director Dolores Funk, and immediate family

Director Michael Riis-Christianson, and immediate family

Director Sarrah Storey, and immediate family

Director Gerry Thiessen, and immediate family

Director Robert Motion, and immediate family

Director Thomas Greenaway, and immediate family

Director Mark Parker, and immediate family

Director Jerry Petersen, and immediate family

Management

John Illes, Treasurer, and immediate family

Curtis Helgesen, Secretary, and immediate family

Cheryl Anderson, Assistant Secretary, and immediate family

Related party entities:

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako