

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025

PRESENT:	Chair	Judy Greenaway
	Directors	Martin Elphee Clint Lambert – arrived at 10:02 a.m. Linda McGuire Shirley Moon – via Zoom Mark Parker Michael Riis-Christianson Sarrah Storey Henry Wiebe
	Directors Absent	Kevin Moutray, District of Vanderhoof
	Alternate Directors	Brian Frenkel, District of Vanderhoof
	Staff	Curtis Helgesen, Secretary Cheryl Anderson, Acting Secretary John Illes, Treasurer
	Others	Chris Newell

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Greenaway called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Storey
Seconded by Director McGuire

SNRHD.2025-5-1

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Agenda of March 27, 2025 be approved.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Stuart-Nechako Regional
Hospital District Meeting
Minutes – March 13, 2025

Moved by Director Storey
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

SNRHD.2025-5-2

“That the minutes of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District meeting of March 13, 2025 be adopted.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

SNRHD Annual Budget
Bylaw No. 93, 2025

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Storey

SNRHD.2025-5-3

"That Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Annual Budget Bylaw No. 93, 2025 be given third reading and adoption this 27th day of March, 2025."

(All/Directors/Weighted)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Village of Burns Lake

Director Wiebe indicated that two new doctors have arrived. He commented on the number of emergency room closures and that there have been discussions with the Ministry of Health and Northern Health. He advised that the Recruitment Officer started a couple of weeks ago. Director Wiebe stated that with the addition of two doctors, they are still 5 short.

Chair Greenaway added that there have been occasions recently where 2 of the 3 hospitals in our region are on diversion at the same time.

Director Lambert commented on the impacts to other hospitals when diversion occurs. He added that citizens are expressing concerns in regard to the number of closures.

It was suggested that a delegation go to Victoria to meet with the Minister of Health.

Electoral Area F (Vanderhoof
Rural) Update

Director Moon commented on her recent experiences at the St. John Hospital. She added that there does not seem to be any staffing issues at the Cancer Unit. She noted that children must go to Vancouver for cancer treatment.

Village of Fraser Lake

Director Storey reported that she would be attending a Meeting with Minister Osborne to discuss hospital closures. She added that she and Director Greenaway will be in Victoria next week and will advocate for the region.

Electoral Area C (Fort St.
James Rural) Update

Chair Greenaway reminded the Board of the Northern Health roundtable discussion for community leaders on April 14th and encouraged Directors to attend.

Emergency Meeting with
Minister of Health

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Storey

SNRHD.2025-5-4

"That the Board request an emergency meeting, preferably within the region, with the Honourable Josie Osborne, Minister of Health, regarding the number of emergency room closures in the region.

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Storey
Seconded by Director Lambert

SNRHD.2025-5-5

"That the meeting be adjourned at 10:17 a.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Judy Greenaway, Chairperson

Cheryl Anderson, Acting Secretary