

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF FRASER-FORT GEORGE, HELD ON JUNE 19, 2025, IN THE DISTRICT OF MACKENZIE RECREATION CENTRE, 400 SKEENA DRIVE.

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Directors Present: Director L. Beckett, Chairperson  
Director D. Alan (remote)  
Director J. Atkinson  
Director K. Dunphy  
Director B. Empey (remote)  
Director A. Kaehn  
Director J. Kirk  
Director V. Mobley  
Director C. Ramsay  
Director G. Runtz (remote)  
Director B. Skakun (remote)  
Director O. Torgerson  
Director S. Yu (remote)

Absent: Director K. Sampson

Staff Present: C, Calder, Chief Administrative Officer  
M. Connelly, General Manager of Legislative and Corporate Services  
K. Jonkman, General Manager of Community and Development Services  
L. Zapotichny, General Manager of Environmental Services  
S. White, General Manager of Financial Services (remote)  
M. Perrin, Senior Manager of Public Safety Services  
A. Singh, Manager of Legislative Services

Minutes Recorded and Produced by: D. Hegel, Confidential Assistant (Corporate Services)

Media: Colin Slark, Prince George Citizen

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**1. Call to Order**

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Tse'khene People of the McLeod Lake Indian Band.

The Chairperson proceeded to do a roll call of Directors to confirm those attending remotely and those attending in person in the Boardroom.

Following the roll call, the Chairperson recognized the District of Mackenzie Councillors and staff in attendance and thanked the District of Mackenzie for the opportunity to visit and tour the community.

The Chairperson thanked the Regional District staff for planning and organizing the two days in Mackenzie.

**2. Adoption of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)**

Moved by Kirk  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT the Regional Board agenda for June 19, 2025 be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

**3. Consent Agenda**

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Ramsay

*THAT the Consent Agenda, Items No. 3.1 to 3.2, inclusive, be received.*

**CARRIED**

- 3.1 Building Permit Statistics for May 2025
- 3.2 9-1-1 Call Answer and Fire/Rescue Statistics for May 2025

4. **Adoption of Minutes**

4.1 **May 22, 2025 Regional Board Meeting Minutes**

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the Minutes of the Regional Board meeting held on May 22, 2025 be amended by:*

- *Correcting the name of Colin Slark in the attendance list; and*
- *replacing the Honourable Lisa Beare, Minister for Education with the Honourable Anne Kang, Minister of Post Secondary Education and Future Skills, at Item 9.1; and that minutes be adopted as amended.*

CARRIED

5. **Public Hearings/Public Considerations - None**

No scheduled Public Hearings/Public Considerations.

6. **Development Services**

6.1 **Public Engagement regarding Land Use Applications**

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Skakun

*THAT the report dated June 2, 2025, regarding "Public Engagement regarding Land Use Applications" be received for information.*

CARRIED

6.2 **Proposed Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw No. 3393, 2025**

In response to queries from Directors, K. Jonkman, General Manager of Community and Development Services, advised that Administration would coordinate with the landowner to ensure they consult with the Agricultural Land Commission regarding any necessary applications they will need to undertake.

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the report dated June 2, 2025, regarding "Proposed Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw No. 3393, 2025" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Ramsay

*THAT Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw 3393, 2025 be now introduced and read a first time.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw 3393, 2025 be given second reading.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT a public hearing on Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw No. 3393, 2025 be held with the chairing of the hearing by the Electoral Area Director, or their delegated Alternate, or any other Director as delegate of the Board.*

CARRIED

**6.3 Request to Discharge Covenant W25776**

K. Jonkman, General Manager of Community and Development Services, responded to queries from Directors regarding whether there were ways to ensure appropriate future development through the zoning amendment, without having to remove the covenant and timing of the process in relation to the applicant's financing requirements.

Discussion ensued.

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the report dated June 3, 2025, regarding "Request to Discharge Covenant W25776" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Kaehn

*THAT the discharge of Covenant W25776 from the property located at 16490 Chief Lake Road, Electoral Area A, legally described as The South West 1/4 Of District Lot 2154 Cariboo District Except The East 1/2 Of The East 1/2, And Except Parcel A (32320M) – 012686557, and Parcel 2 Parcel A (32320M) Of The South West 1/4 Of District Lot 2154 Cariboo District, as outlined in the report dated June 3, 2025, be postponed for further information.*

CARRIED

**6.4 Proposed Salmon River-Lakes Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1587, 1996, Amendment Bylaw No. 3386, 2025 and Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw No. 3387, 2025**

K. Jonkman, General Manager of Community and Development Services, responded to queries from Directors regarding the suitability of the lot for further development/second residential property and whether a public hearing could proceed, while requesting that the applicants provide additional information, to avoid delaying the process.

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT the report dated June 4, 2025, regarding "Proposed Salmon River-Lakes Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1587, 1996, Amendment Bylaw No. 3386, 2025 and Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw No. 3387, 2025" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Ramsay

*THAT pursuant to Section 477 of the Local Government Act, Salmon River-Lakes Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1587, 1996, Amendment Bylaw No. 3386, 2025 has been considered in conjunction with the current Financial Plan and the current Regional Solid Waste Management Plan.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT Salmon River-Lakes Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1587, 1996, Amendment Bylaw No. 3386, 2025 be given second reading.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw No. 3387, 2025 be given second reading.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT Administration be directed to work with the applicant to obtain additional information regarding sewer and water services, as well as the suitability of the proposed building site.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Kaehn

*THAT a public hearing on Salmon River-Lakes Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1587, 1996, Amendment Bylaw No. 3386, 2025 and Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014, Amendment Bylaw No. 3387, 2025 be held with the chairing of the hearing by the Electoral Area Director, or their Alternate, or any other Director as delegate of the Board.*

CARRIED

#### **6.5 Proposed Development Variance Permit No. 1497**

K. Jonkman, General Manager of Community and Development Services, responded to queries from a Director regarding whether timelines could be applied to the building permit to ensure that the proposed development is carried out, and whether a Temporary Use Permit might be more appropriate than a Development Variance Permit for this application.

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the report dated June 3, 2025, regarding "Proposed Development Variance Permit No. 1497" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT Development Variance Permit No. 1497, as attached to the report dated June 3, 2025, be issued to increase the combined maximum total floor area of one or more accessory buildings without an established permitted use on the property legally described as Lot 25 District Lot 3790 Cariboo District Plan 25896.*

CARRIED

#### **6.6 Proposed Subdivision Frontage Waiver – Chief Lake Road**

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the report dated June 2, 2025, regarding "Proposed Subdivision Frontage Waiver – Chief Lake Road" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Runtz

*THAT the Board approves a waiver to the 10% frontage requirement set out in Zoning Bylaw No. 2892, 2014 for subdivision of the property legally described as Lot A District Lot 2209 Cariboo District Plan 20364.*

CARRIED

### **8. Public Appearances/Delegations**

#### **8.1 CTI Plus Resources Ltd.**

Judy Matkaluk, Manager of Regulatory Affairs and Engagement, and Peter Hang, Engagement Coordinator, from CTI Plus Resources Ltd, were in remote attendance and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Rocky Creek Metallurgical Coal

Project including proposed location, overview of the project, social commitment, partners, proposed timelines, and commitment to sustainability.

J. Matkaluk responded to queries from Directors regarding collaboration with First Nations and local governments, strategies for managing cumulative effects, plans for worker housing, and the type of coal being produced.

## **8.2 Enbridge**

Jennifer Prochera, Community and Indigenous Relations Advisor, and Seanna McDonald, Project Coordinator (Community and Indigenous Engagement), from Enbridge were in attendance and provided a presentation regarding Enbridge's Sunrise Expansion Project including Enbridge's natural gas transmission network in British Columbia, along with the economic impacts, benefits to the community, project components, proposed project scope within the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George, and proposed workforce accommodations.

J. Prochera and S. McDonald responded to queries from Directors regarding sharing of resources with Ecoener Energie Canada, Inc. given overlapping timelines, the use of medical facilities, and power supply for their compressor stations.

The meeting Recessed at 2:46 p.m.

The meeting Reconvened at 3:01 p.m.

## **6. Development Services**

### **6.7 Peace River Regional District Regional Growth Strategy**

Discussion ensued regarding the potential development of a Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) included discussion on the purpose of an RGS and how it enhances regional collaboration on shared interests as well as concerns around administrative capacity, resources and timelines to complete an RGS.

Moved by Kirk  
Seconded by Kaehn

*THAT the report dated May 28, 2025 regarding "Peace River Regional District Regional Growth Strategy" be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

Moved by Kirk  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George accept proposed Peace River Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 2571, 2025 in accordance with Section 436 of the Local Government Act.*

**CARRIED**

Moved by Ramsay  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the Board requests the Chair and Director Kirk contact the Peace River Regional District Chair about the rationale and objectives of their Regional Growth Strategy, and report back to the Board.*

**CARRIED**

## **7. Development Services - Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) Applications**

There were no Development Services - Agricultural Land Commission Applications.

## **9. Chairperson's Report**

The Chair advised that there was no report.

**10. Directors' Reports**

**10.1 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual Conference – May 29 to June 1, 2025**

Director Kirk provided an overview of her report regarding the Canadian Municipalities Annual Conference (FCM) on May 29 to June 1, 2025, noting that she was re-elected onto the BC caucus of FCM and thanked everyone who supported her nomination.

Director Alan noted that she also attended the FCM Conference and highlighted a presentation by David Coletto, a marketing research leader and CEO of Abacus Data. His presentation, Insights from the Front Lines of Public Opinion, is available on the FCM website.

Moved by Kirk  
Seconded by Kaehn

*THAT the Director's report dated June 4, 2025, regarding "Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual Conference - May 29 to June 1, 2025" be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

**Columbia Basin Trust Update**

Director Torgerson advised that the Columbia Basin Trust (CBT) has appointed him as an observer to the Columbia Power Corporation, as well as a Director on the Board of its power subsidiary. He expressed that he is looking forward to taking on this added responsibility.

In response to a query from a Director concerning the Columbia River Treaty, Director Torgerson clarified that the CBT functions solely as an information conduit and as such, the CBT does not have a formal role or direct involvement in the treaty negotiations.

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Ramsay

*THAT the verbal report provided on June 9, 2025 regarding "Columbia Basin Trust Update" be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

**Integrus Credit Union Grand Opening**

Director Alan advised that she spoke at the Integrus Grand Opening in McBride on June 7, 2025, and congratulated Integrus for obtaining their targets to allow them to be sustainable in the community.

Moved by Alan  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT the verbal report provided on June 9, 2025 regarding "Integrus Credit Union Grand Opening" be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

**11. Administration**

**11.1 Corporate Services**

**11.1.1 2025 – 2026 Corporate Workplan**

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the report dated June 6, 2025, regarding "2025 – 2026 Corporate Workplan" be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded by Ramsay

*THAT the 2025 – 2026 Corporate Workplan, as attached to the report dated June 6, 2025, be approved.*

CARRIED

## **11.2 Financial Services**

### **11.2.1 2024 Draft Statement of Financial Information**

S. White, General Manager of Financial Services, responded to a query from a Director regarding the inclusion of the former CAO, who retired in 2023, in the 2024 Statement of Financial Information.

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the report dated June 6, 2025 regarding “2024 Draft Statement of Financial Information” be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT the 2024 Draft Statement of Financial Information for the year ended December 31, 2024 be approved.*

CARRIED

### **11.2.2 Community Works Fund – Beverly Fire Rescue – Hot Water Boiler Replacement**

Moved by Dunphy  
Seconded by Alan

*THAT the report dated June 6, 2025 regarding “Community Works Fund - Beverly Fire Rescue – Hot Water Boiler Replacement” be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT funding from the Community Works Fund, of up to \$25,000 for the Beverly Fire Rescue – Hot Water Boiler Replacement, be approved.*

CARRIED

### **11.2.3 Community Works Fund – Beverly Fire Rescue – New Windows for Beverly Fire Hall**

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the report dated June 6, 2025 regarding “Community Works Fund - Beverly Fire Rescue – New Windows for Beverly Fire Hall” be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Dunphy  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT funding from the Community Works Fund, of up to \$25,000 for the Beverly Fire Rescue – New Windows for Beverly Fire Hall, be approved.*

CARRIED

#### **11.2.4 Community Works Fund 2024 Annual Expenditure Report and Summary of Potential Future Projects**

C. Calder, Chief Administrative Officer, and K. Jonkman, General Manager of Community and Development Services, responded to queries from a Director regarding potential financial support from the Province to assist with the costs incurred by the Regional District in reviewing their Official Community Plans (OCPs).

Discussion ensued regarding the financial impacts to Regional Districts that are conducting multiple OCPs.

Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT the report dated June 6, 2025, regarding "Community Works Fund 2024 Annual Expenditure Report and Summary of Potential Future Projects" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Alan  
Seconded by Kaehn

*THAT Administration arrange a meeting with the Honourable Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs, during the UBCM Annual Convention to discuss the financial challenges faced by Regional Districts that have more than one Official Community Plan.*

CARRIED

#### **11.3 Public Safety**

There were no Public Safety reports.

#### **11.4 Arts, Culture & Heritage**

##### **11.4.1 2025 Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant Applications**

M. Connelly, General Manager of Legislative and Corporate Services, responded to queries from a Director regarding the committee's grant adjudication guidelines, including clarification on conflict-of-interest rules for committee members, the selection process for committee members, and the procedures in place to protect applicants' personal information.

In response to a query from a Director, H. Erasmus, Manager of Communications and Culture, advised that the five current members of the public, who are named in the current terms of reference for this committee, are not directly related to their employment at a cultural site.

Discussion ensued regarding committee conflict of interest.

Moved by Ramsay  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT the report dated June 4, 2025 and the 2025 Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant Application Summaries be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Alan  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$8,000 be provided to the Dunster Fine Arts School Society in support of a Youth Film Camp.*

CARRIED



Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$9,921 be provided to the Mackenzie Community Arts Council for Flooring Upgrades.*

CARRIED

Moved by Ramsay  
Seconded by Mobley

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$6,000 be provided to the Method Dance Society in support of the Community Moves Festival.*

CARRIED

Director Ramsay left the Boardroom due to a perceived conflict of interest due to her position as a member of the Prince George Community Band at 3:50 p.m.

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$4,000 be provided to the Prince George Community Band for their Music Library and Equipment.*

CARRIED

Director Ramsay entered the Boardroom at 3:51 p.m.

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$2,000 be provided to the Northern BC Queer Connection Society in support of the Pride Picnic.*

CARRIED

Moved by Alan  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$8,000 be provided to the Wishbone Theatre for the production of "Mourning After".*

CARRIED

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$2,275.18 be provided to Theatre Northwest for a feminine hygiene product dispenser and baby change station.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$7,500 be provided to The Exploration Place for a Children's STEAM Gallery.*

CARRIED

Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT an Arts, Culture, Heritage Grant of \$2,500 be provided to the Fraser Lyric Opera Society in support of a Children's Summer Camp.*

CARRIED

**11.4.2 Proposed Terms of Reference Amendments – Select Committee on Arts, Culture, Heritage Grants**

Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT the report dated June 3, 2025, regarding “Proposed Amendments to the Terms of Reference – Select Committee on Arts, Culture, Heritage Grants” be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Ramsay  
Seconded by Mobley

*THAT the proposed amendments to section 3.1 and 3.2 of the Select Committee on Arts, Culture, Heritage Grants Terms of Reference, as attached to the report dated June 3, 2025, be approved.*

CARRIED

**12. Environment and Parks**

**12.1 Grinding and Grubbing Services – Final Closure Valemount Regional Landfill**

L. Zapotichny, General Manager of Environmental Services, provided an overview of the report, clarifying that this is not a sole-source procurement, as two quotes were received and that the request is to waive the requirement for a public tender.

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT the report dated June 5, 2025, regarding “Grinding and Grubbing Services – Final Closure Valemount Regional Landfill” be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Mobley

*THAT the procurement requirements for competitive bidding under Policy RD-03-09 be waived to allow for the award of the grinding and grubbing services in preparation for the final closure of the Valemount Regional Landfill.*

CARRIED

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Kaehn

*THAT the Board authorize entering into a service agreement with Jackpine Construction Ltd. for grinding and grubbing services in preparation for the final closure of the Valemount Regional Landfill for the total amount of \$36,700 (excluding GST).*

CARRIED

**12.2 Recycle BC Infrastructure Improvements for Mackenzie and Valemount**

L. Zapotichny, General Manager of Environmental Services, responded to queries from a Director regarding the improvements of the Mackenzie and Valemount Recycling Depots and whether staff are coordinating with the communities of Mackenzie and Valemount.

Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT the report dated June 2, 2025, regarding “Recycle BC Infrastructure Improvements for Mackenzie and Valemount” be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT the Board approve a competitive bid process be entered into for the provision of Recycle BC infrastructure improvements at the Mackenzie and Valemount Regional Transfer Stations.*

CARRIED

### **12.3 155 George Street Regional District Office Building Front Walkway Replacement**

Discussion ensued regarding the replacement of the front walkway at the Regional District Office Building, with consideration given to climate change and environmental impacts. The conversation included the potential development of a related policy, the associated costs, and the practicality of using sustainable materials.

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the report dated June 6, 2025, regarding "155 George Street Regional District Office Building Front Walkway Replacement" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Ramsay

*THAT the Board approve a budget increase to major capital for the replacement of the front walkway at the 155 George Street Regional District office building.*

CARRIED

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the Board approve a competitive bid process be entered into for the provision of the 155 George Street Regional District office building front walkway replacement.*

Moved by Alan  
Seconded by Skakun

*THAT the motion be amended to include environmental sustainability considerations to be built into the tender document.*

DEFEATED

*Directors Atkinson, Dunphy, Kirk, Kaehn, Mobley, Ramsay, Runtz, Skakun, Torgerson Opposed*

Main motion.

CARRIED

### **12.4 Compost Hauling Services – Final Closure Valemount Regional Landfill**

In response to a query from a Director regarding using local compost, L. Zapotichny, General Manager of Environmental Services, advised that they are required by regulation to use Class A compost, which is not currently produced in the Robson Valley.

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Atkinson

*THAT the report dated June 2, 2025, regarding "Compost Hauling Services – Final Closure Valemount Regional Landfill" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Ramsay

*THAT the Board approves a competitive bid process be entered into for the provision of compost hauling Services for the final closure of the Valemount Regional Landfill.*

CARRIED

**13. Community Services**

**13.1 Proposed Regional District Recreation and Community Centre User Rates and Fees Bylaw**

Directors thanked staff and the Community Consultations Committees for their work.

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Alan

*THAT the report dated June 10, 2025, regarding "Proposed Regional District Recreation and Community Centre User Rates and Fees Bylaw No. 3394, 2025" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Alan

*THAT Regional District Recreation and Community Centre User Rates and Fees Bylaw No. 3394, 2025 be now introduced and read a first time.*

CARRIED

Moved by Alan  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT Regional District Recreation and Community Centre User Rates and Fees Bylaw No. 3394, 2025 be given second and third readings.*

CARRIED

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Alan

*THAT Regional District Recreation and Community Centre User Rates and Fees Bylaw No. 3394, 2025 be adopted.*

CARRIED

**13.2 Invitation to Quote CS-25-02 - As and When Engineering Services**

Director Alan advised that she would like to see greater diversification of the Regional District's engineering services to create more opportunities for smaller companies.

Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the report dated June 5, 2025, regarding "Invitation to Quote CS-25-02 - As and When Engineering Services" be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the Board authorizes Contract CS-25-02 As and When Engineering Services to be awarded to McElhanney Ltd.*

CARRIED

**14. Community Grants-in-Aid**

**14.1 Grants: Electoral Area A (Salmon River-Lakes)**

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the report dated June 5, 2025, Grant Schedule and associated grant application forms for Electoral Area A be received for information.*

CARRIED

Director Atkinson left the Boardroom room at 4:25 p.m.

Moved by Mobley  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the Grants for Electoral Area A, as listed in the June Grant Schedule, as attached to the report dated June 5, 2025, be approved.*

CARRIED

**14.2 Grants: Electoral Area C (Chilako River-Nechako)**

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the report dated June 5, 2025, Grant Schedule and associated grant application form for Electoral Area C be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Dunphy  
Seconded by Mobley

*THAT the Grants for Electoral Area C, as listed in the June Grant Schedule, as attached to the report dated June 5, 2025, be approved.*

CARRIED

**14.3 Grants: Electoral Area F (Willow River-Upper Fraser Valley)**

Moved by Dunphy  
Seconded by Empey

*THAT the report dated June 5, 2025, Grant Schedule and associated grant application forms for Electoral Area F be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Dunphy  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the Grants for Electoral Area F, as listed in the June Grant Schedule, as attached to the report dated June 5, 2025, be approved.*

CARRIED

**14.4 Grants: Electoral Area H (Robson Valley-Canoe)**

Moved by Alan  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT the report dated June 5, 2025, Grant Schedule and associated grant application forms for Electoral Area H be received for information.*

CARRIED

Moved by Alan  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT the Grants for Electoral Area H, as listed in the June Grant Schedule, as attached to the report dated June 5, 2025, be approved.*

CARRIED

Director Atkinson entered the room at 4:29 p.m.

**15. Correspondence for Consideration**

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Torgerson

*THAT the Correspondence for Consideration, designated as agenda Items No. 15.1 to 15.2, inclusive, be received for information.*

CARRIED

**15.1 Letter dated May 13, 2025 from Christos Vardacostas, Executive Director, Carefree Society, regarding: Support Request for the Inclusive Tourism Service Proposal**

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Mobley

*THAT Electoral Area A, C, E, F and G support a one-time community grant-in-aid of \$2000 each to Carefree Society for their Inclusive Tourism Pilot Program.*

**CARRIED**

**15.2 Letter dated June 6, 2025 from Mark Karjaluto, Our Blood Counts, regarding: Support Request for a Blood Plasma Donor Centre in Northern BC**

Director Torgerson advised that the Village of Valemound provided a letter of support for a Blood Plasma Donor Centre in Northern BC.

Director Ramsay advised that Japan is currently conducting clinical trials for artificial blood, noting that once this product is approved, she would be interested in gaining access to it for potential use or collaboration.

Moved by Torgerson  
Seconded by Alan

*THAT the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George provide a letter of support to Our Blood Counts-Plasma for Northern BC for the establishment of a Northern BC Blood Plasma Donor Centre in Prince George.*

**CARRIED**

**16. Correspondence for Information**

Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded by Kirk

*THAT the Correspondence for Information, under agenda Items No. 16.1, 16.2, and 16.3, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

**16.1 Local Government**

**16.1.1** Letter dated May 16, 2025 from Chairperson Barry Pages, North Coast Regional District, regarding: Pacific Northern Gas Proposed Increase of Natural Gas Delivery Rates

**16.1.2** Letter dated April 23, 2025 from Mayor Huck Galbraith, City of Enderby, regarding: Bill 7 - 2025: Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act

**16.2 Provincial Government**

**16.2.1** Letter dated May 16, 2025 from Naomi Saukila, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, regarding: Province of British Columbia's Implementation of Treaty Land Entitlement Land Agreements

**16.2.2** Letter dated May 20, 2025 from BC Premier David Eby regarding: 2025 Union of BC Municipalities Convention

**16.2.3** Letter dated May 29, 2025 from Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs, regarding: Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing Requirements

**16.2.4** Letter dated May 5, 2025 from Sherri Elwell, Senior Ecosystems Biologist, Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, regarding: Wildlife Management Area Proposal for Cranberry Marsh/Starratt

**16.3 General**

**16.3.1** Email dated June 2, 2025 from Outdoor Recreation Council of BC regarding: Guidebook for Rural British Columbia Communities

**16.3.2** Email dated June 3, 2025 from BC Hydro regarding: Open Houses for the North Coast Transmission System Expansion

**16.3.3 Letter dated June 5, 2025 from Northern Development Initiative Trust regarding: Funding Agreement for an Agriculture Coordinator**

Directors expressed their satisfaction with the funding agreement for an Agriculture Coordinator, noting their support for the initiative.

**17. Newsletters**

There were no newsletters.

**18. Information (Available on Side Table)**

The Chairperson advised that she attended the College Heights Secondary School graduation ceremony to present the Electoral Area C Regional District Bursary certificate to the recipient.

Moved by Kaehn  
Seconded by Dunphy

*THAT the Information available on the Side Table, under agenda Items No. 18.1, be received for information.*

*CARRIED*

**18.1** School District 57 Regional District of Fraser Fort George Bursary Recipients

**19. New Business**

**Dunster Ice Cream Social**

Director Alan advised that the Dunster Community will be holding their annual Dunster Ice Cream Social on Saturday, June 28, 2025.

**Prince George Community Band**

Director Ramsay advised that the Prince George Community Band will now be holding rehearsals at the Community Playhouse and that this change comes after the church they previously practiced in was sold. She also advised that their next scheduled performance will be on Canada Day, July 1, 2025, at Lheidli T'enneh Memorial Park.

**Berg Lake Trail Reopening**

Director Torgerson advised that the Berg Lake Trail in Mount Robson Provincial Park is fully reopening on June 26, 2025, after being closed for four years due to extensive flood damage. He also emphasized the trail's importance to the region, noting that it accounts for 25% of tourism revenue in the Valemount economy.

**Thank You – District of Mackenzie**

The Directors expressed their appreciation to the District of Mackenzie Mayor and Council for hosting the June 19, 2025 Regional District Board meeting, as well thanked the Regional District staff for planning the event.

The Meeting Recess at 4:43 pm.

The meeting moved into closed session at 4:55 p.m.

**20. Closed Session Items**

**2.1 Consideration of Agenda Item(s) under Section 90 of the Community Charter**

Moved by Atkinson  
Seconded Kirk

*THAT the June 19, 2025 Regional Board meeting be closed to the public to permit consideration of supplemental agenda items pursuant to section 90(1)(c), (i), (k), and 90(2)(c) of the Community Charter.*

CARRIED

**21. Reconvene - Open Session**

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 5:07 p.m.

**22. Adjournment**

Moved by Alan  
Seconded Mobley

*THAT the meeting be adjourned at 5:09 p.m.*

CARRIED

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Chair

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General Manager of Legislative and  
Corporate Services