



**REGIONAL DISTRICT
of Fraser-Fort George**

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REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION

TO: Chair and Directors File No.: SHE 1.1
 FROM: Donna Munt, General Manager of Community Services
 DATE: March 24, 2015
 SUBJECT SUMMARY: Item: Lheidli T'enneh – Fire Protection Services Agreement
 Purpose: Consider Authorizing Execution of Agreement

PREVIOUS REPORTS: 1. Item #12.3.3, July 2014 (see Agenda for link)
 2. Item #8.3.5, August 2014 (see Agenda for link)

ATTACHMENT(S): None

RECOMMENDATION(S):	<u>ENTITLEMENT</u>	<u>HOW VOTE COUNTED</u>
1. THAT the report be received.	All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority
2. THAT an agreement for fire protection services for Lheidli T'enneh Fort George Indian Reserve #2 be entered into with Lheidli T'enneh for a five-year term.	All Weighted	Majority
3. THAT the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the Fire Protection Services Agreement with the Lheidli T'enneh.	All Weighted	Majority

ISSUE(S):

At the July 2014 meeting, the Board authorized Public Safety Administration to enter into discussions with the Lheidli T'enneh to investigate Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue providing fire protection services to the Fort George Indian Reserve #2 (Shelley Reserve South Side) through a fee-for-service agreement. Further to the Corporate Officer's report on this agenda, regarding Shell-Glen Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1221, 1991, a request to consider entering into a fire protection services agreement with Lheidli T'enneh is now being presented.

The Board is being asked to consider entering into a five-year agreement with the Lheidli T'enneh for the provision of fire protection services for the Shelley Reserve South Side.

RELEVANT POLICIES:

- 1. Strategic Priorities:
 - fulfilling the operating principal of excellence and innovations in the delivery of cost effective, equitable, responsive, relevant and sustainable services.

SERVICE RELEVANCE:

The Shell-Glen Fire Protection service was established in 1991 and provides fire protection to the Shelley town site and area.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

The annual revenue generated through the fee-for-service agreement is \$7,880. This fee is based on the building values on the reserve lands and applying the 2014 tax rate of \$1.665 per thousand dollars.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

The agreement includes:

- fire protection services including fighting structural fires, or fires threatening structures on the reserve lands, to the same standard as if the reserve lands are part of the fire protection local service area;
- excluded services
 - suppression of forest fires,
 - fire inspection or preventions services, or
 - any other service not specifically contained in the Agreement;
- members of the Lheidli T'enneh may become members of the fire department;
- retention of records;
- indemnification;
- insurance requirements; and a
- five-year term.

Public Safety Administration worked with the Lheidli T'enneh in drafting the proposed agreement. The Chief and Council have been provided with the agreement and have not advised of any concerns.

The draft agreement has been reviewed by the Regional District's and the Band's legal counsels. The Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia, the Regional District's liability insurance carrier, has reviewed the agreement and advises they have no concerns with the Regional District providing fire protection services to the Shelley Reserve South Side.

DECISION OPTIONS:

1. Approve recommendations:
 - the Fire Protection Services Agreement with the Lheidli T'enneh for a five-year term will be executed.

Other Options:

- a. Do not approve the execution of the Fire Protection Services Agreement:
 - there will be no fire protection services for the Shelley Reserve South Side.

COMMENTS:

Execution of the Fire Protection Services Agreement provides fire protection services to the Shelley Reserve South Side through a fee-for-service agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Munt
General Manager of Community Services

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ADDITIONAL ITEM

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REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION

TO: Chair and Directors File No.: SHE 1.1
 FROM: Donna Munt, General Manager of Community Services
 DATE: July 4, 2014
 SUBJECT SUMMARY: Item: Lheidli T'enneh – Fire Protection Services
 Purpose: Consider Investigating Fire Protection Service for Fort George Indian Reserve #2

PREVIOUS REPORTS: None

ATTACHMENT(S): Band Council Resolution dated July 4, 2014

RECOMMENDATION(S):	<u>ENTITLEMENT</u>	<u>HOW VOTE COUNTED</u>
1. THAT the report and Band Council Resolution dated July 4, 2014 be received.	All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority
2. THAT discussions be entered into with the Lheidli T'enneh to investigate providing fire protection services to Fort George Indian Reserve #2.	All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority
3. THAT an amendment to the Shell-Glen Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No.1221, 1991 be prepared for consideration.	All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority

ISSUE(S):

A request has been received from the Lheidli T'enneh for fire protection services for the Fort George Indian Reserve #2 (Shelley Reserve South Side) and 6 kms from the Shell-Glen Fire Hall. Lheidli T'enneh is looking to enter into an agreement with the Regional District for Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue to provide fire protection services to approximately seventeen (17) structures.

The Shell-Glen Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No.1221, 1991 is required to be amended to provide the necessary authority for the Regional District to enter into an agreement to provide fire protection services outside of the fire department service area.

Board is being asked to authorize Public Safety Administration entering into discussions with Lheidli T'enneh to investigate Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue providing fire protection services to the Shelley Reserve South Side and to authorize the preparation of an amendment to the Shell-Glen Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No.1221, 1991.

RELEVANT POLICIES:

1. Regional District of Fraser-Fort George Bylaw No. 1221
 - a bylaw that establishes the Shell-Glen Fire Protection service

SERVICE RELEVANCE:

The Shell-Glen Fire Protection service was established in 1991 and provides fire protection to the Shelley town site and area.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

There is no cost, other than Public Safety Administration's time, to investigate providing fire protection services and preparing the Bylaw amendment.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

There is currently no fire protection services for the Shelley Reserve South Side. Through preliminary discussions the Lheidli T'enneh are interested in a fee-for-service agreement with the Regional District for Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue to provide fire protection services to their community. The Lheidli T'enneh have indicated they are supportive of a five (5) year agreement with payment being calculated using the same tax rate as residents in the area pay. The Lheidli T'enneh is also agreeable to allow the fire department access to their water system in the event there is a fire at the Shelley town site, and will encourage their members to join the fire department.

Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue is supportive of proceeding with a fire protection services agreement with the Lheidli T'enneh.

DECISION OPTIONS:

1. Approve recommendations.
 - Public Safety Administration will work with Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue and the Lheidli T'enneh to investigate providing fire protection services to the Shelley Reserve South Side; and
 - an amendment to the Shell-Glen Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No.1221, 1991 will be prepared for Board's consideration.

Other Options:

- a. Do not support investigating fire protections services to Shelley Reserve South Side
 - Lheidli T'enneh will be advised that the Regional District will not be in a position to enter into a fee-for-service agreement to provide fire protection services.
- b. Do not support the preparing of an amendment to the Shell-Glen Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No.1221, 1991.
 - Lheidli T'enneh will be advised that Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue will not be in a position to provide fire protection services.

COMMENTS:

If Board is supportive of moving forward with a fee-for-service agreement with Lheidli T'enneh, Public Safety Administration will work with Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue and Lheidli T'enneh to develop a fire protection services agreement. The proposed agreement and an amendment to the Shell-Glen Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1221, 1991, which will give the Regional District the authority to enter into the fee-for-service agreement to provide fire protection outside of the Shell-Glen Fire Protection service area boundary, will be brought back to Board for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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General Manager of Community Services

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BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

NOTE: The words "From our Band Funds", "Capital" or "Revenue", whichever is the case, must appear in all resolutions requesting expenditures from Band Funds

The Council of the	Lheidli T'enneh Band	Current Capital Balance	\$ _____
Agency	North District	Committed	\$ _____
Province	British Columbia	Current Revenue Balance	\$ _____
Place	Prince George, BC	Committed	\$ _____
Date:	<u>4</u> <u>7</u> <u>2014</u>		
	Day Month Year		

The Chief and Council of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation in British Columbia, do hereby resolve as follows:




WHEREAS:

Lheidli T'enneh would like to enter into a five (5) year Municipal Type Service Agreement with the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George for Fire Protection on Lheidli T'enneh Indian Reserve #2

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation acknowledges ,supports and approves the agreement with Regional District of Fraser Fort George.

This Band Council Resolution was passed at the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation on the 04th day of July ,2014

A quorum for this Band consists of 3


 Chief

 Councillor

 Councillor

 Councillor

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY					
1. Band Fund Code	2. Computer Balances		3. Expenditure	4. Authority (Indian Act Section)	5. Source of Funds
	A. Capital	B. Revenue			
	\$	\$	\$		o Capital o Revenue
6. Recommended			Approved		
Date	Recommending Officer		Date	Approving Officer	

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GM: DMM

REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION

TO: Chair and Directors File No.: BEA 3.1

FROM: Melanie Perrin, Fire Services Coordinator

DATE: August 11, 2014

SUBJECT SUMMARY: Item: Canadian Forest Products Ltd. Isle Pierre Sawmill – Fire Protection Services Fee-for-Service Agreement
 Purpose: Consider Bylaw Amendment

PREVIOUS REPORTS: Item 9.3.1, March 2014 (see Agenda for link)
 Item 12.3.2, July 2014 (see Agenda for link)

ATTACHMENT(S): Bylaw No. 2910

RECOMMENDATION(S):	ENTITLEMENT	HOW VOTE COUNTED
1. THAT the report be received.	All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority
2. THAT Beverly Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1175, Amendment Bylaw No. 2910, 2014, be now introduced and read a first time.	All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority
3. THAT the rules be suspended and Bylaw No. 2910 be given second and third readings.	All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority
4. THAT participating area approval be authorized to be given by director consent pursuant to Section 801.5 of the <i>Local Government Act</i> .	All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority

ISSUE(S):

At its July 2014 meeting, Board authorized Public Safety Administration to prepare an amendment to the Beverly Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No.1175, 1990 in order to provide the necessary authority to enter into a fee-for-service agreement with Canadian Forest Products Ltd. ("Canfor") Isle Pierre Division for fire protection services.

The Board is being asked to consider amending the Beverly Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw to allow for a fee-for-service agreement with Canfor Isle Pierre Division.

RELEVANT POLICIES:

1. *Local Government Act s. 801 – 802*
 - provides the amendment of establishment bylaws and how participating area approval can be obtained

SERVICE RELEVANCE:

The Beverly Fire Protection Local Service was established in 1983 and provides fire protection to the community of Beverly and the surrounding area.

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FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

There is no direct cost to process the Bylaw amendment.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

Discussions between Beverly Fire/Rescue, Canfor Isle Pierre Division, and Public Safety Administration has indicated that provision of fire protection services to the Isle Pierre Sawmill is feasible, and would be based upon a fee-for-service agreement.

Canfor's Isle Pierre Sawmill has limited fire fighting capabilities and wishes to enter into a fee-for-service agreement with the Regional District to provide fire protection services in the event of a fire emergency that goes beyond Canfor's fire fighting capabilities. This additional layer of response will help protect Isle Pierre Sawmill and the livelihood of its 140 employees.

Beverly Fire/Rescue is supportive of proceeding with a fire protection services agreement with Canfor Isle Pierre Division.

DECISION OPTIONS:

1. Approve recommendations.
 - a consent package will be provided to the participating area Director.

Other Options:

- a. Do not approve recommendations.
 - Canfor will be advised that Beverly Fire/Rescue will not be in a position to provide fire protection services to Isle Pierre Sawmill.

COMMENTS:

If Board proceeds with the report recommendations, a report will be presented to the Board at a future meeting for consideration of adoption of the bylaw amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Perrin
Fire Services Coordinator

MP:cp



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BYLAW NO. 2910, 2014

A BYLAW TO AMEND BEAVERLY FIRE PROTECTION LOCAL SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT BYLAW NO. 1175, 1990

WHEREAS the Regional District has adopted Bylaw No. 1175 to establish the Beverly Fire Protection Local Service Area;

AND WHEREAS the Regional District desires to permit providing fire protection services outside of the local service area;

AND WHEREAS the consent of the director representing Electoral Area C has been obtained in writing pursuant to Section 801.5 of the *Local Government Act*;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of Directors of the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Bylaw No. 1175 is hereby amended by:

In Section 2:

- Delete “and” at the end of subsection (2);
- Delete the period at the end of subsection (3) and replace with “; and”
- Add the following as subsection (4):

“providing fire protection services outside of the local service area where authorized under an agreement between the Regional District and another person or public authority.”

Delete Section 3 and substitute:

“The annual cost of providing the service shall be recovered by:

- (1) a property value tax levied against the net taxable value of land and improvements; and
- (2) revenues received by way of agreement, enterprises, gift, grant or otherwise.”

BYLAW NO. 2910

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2. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Beverly Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1175, Amendment Bylaw No. 2910, 2014".

READ A FIRST TIME ON THE DAY OF , 2014

READ A SECOND TIME ON THE DAY OF , 2014

READ A THIRD TIME ON THE DAY OF , 2014

APPROVED BY THE INSPECTOR OF MUNICIPALITIES ON THE DAY OF , 2014

RECONSIDERED, FINALLY PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THE DAY OF , 2014

Chair

Corporate Officer