



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

MINUTES of a **REGULAR** meeting of the **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** of the **REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN** held in the Board Room at the Regional District Office on Wednesday, September 5, 2012

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| Members: | Director P. Nicol | City of Vernon | Chair |
| | Director R. Fairbairn | Electoral Area "D" | Vice Chair |
| | Director S. Fowler | City of Armstrong | |
| | Director D. Dirk | District of Coldstream | |
| | Director H. Cyr | City of Enderby | |
| | Director K. Acton | Village of Lumby | |
| | Director J. Brown | Township of Spallumcheen | |
| | Director R. Sawatzky | City of Vernon | |
| | Director J. Cunningham | City of Vernon | |
| | Director B. Fleming | Electoral Area "B" | |
| | Director M. Macnabb | Electoral Area "C" | |
| | Director E. Foisy | Electoral Area "E" | |
| | Director J. Pearase | Electoral Area "F" | |
| Staff: | T. Hall | Administrator | |
| | D. Sewell | General Manager, Finance | |
| | D. McTaggart | General Manager, Engineering | |
| | L. Mellott | General Manager, Electoral Area Administration | |
| | J. Byron | Corporate Officer / Human Resources Manager | |
| | N. Kohnert | Regional Engineering Services Manager | |
| | G. Routley | Deputy Planning Manager | |
| | A. Kittel | Regional Growth Strategy Coordinator | |
| | A. Page | Sustainability Coordinator | |
| | L. Schrauwen | Clerk (taking minutes) | |
| Also Present: | J. Hicks | BC Transit | |
| | S. Harvard | BC Transit | |
| | Public | | |

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Committee of the Whole – September 5, 2012

Moved and seconded by Directors Acton and Cyr

That the Agenda of the September 5, 2012 regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole be approved as presented.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Committee Meeting Schedule

The General Manager, Electoral Area Administration provided details as to the reason for considering revising the current Board and Committee meeting schedule. These include:

- Addition of the Regional Agriculture Advisory Committee (RAAC).
- Current allotted timeframe for the Standing Committees poses difficulties with regard to addressing all of the agenda items.

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Fairbairn

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the 2013 Board and Committee meeting schedule be amended according to Option One in the staff report dated August 28, 2012 as follows:

- Committee meetings to be held on Thursdays following the Board meetings:
 - o Thursday following first Board meeting of the month
 - GVAC – 8:00 a.m.
 - EAAC – 2:00 p.m.
 - o Thursday following second Board meeting of the month
 - RGMAC – 2:00 p.m.
 - RAAC – 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED

**Opposed: Directors Macnabb, Cyr,
Sawatzky and Cunningham**

The General Manager, Electoral Area Administration suggested that In-Camera meetings could be held before the Regular meetings. This matter will be discussed at a future meeting, as well as a discussion regarding the number of Committees.

BC Climate Action Charter

The Sustainability Coordinator provided details regarding the Climate Action Charter. It was noted that the following was not included in the staff report: What is measured - equity amongst local governments.

In response to an inquiry, the following figures were provided regarding the funding that has been received from the Climate Action Revenue Program (CARIP) during the past three years:

- 2009 – \$20,156
- 2010 – \$29,751
- 2011 – \$38,579
- 2012 – \$45,000 (estimated as Carbon Tax was increased 20% from 2011)
- Funding received to date – \$88,486

It was noted that only two out of 180 British Columbia local governments have become carbon neutral. This is due to the fact that they desired to become carbon neutral in advance of the 2012 deadline.

Discussion ensued regarding where the funds from CARIP have been spent in the past and where they should be spent in the future. The Committee was advised that past funding has been allocated to the 010 General Government function. This has reduced local governments'

requisitions to the RDNO as well as provided funds for staffing and RDNO office capital projects.

Moved and seconded by Directors Acton and Cunningham

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that in order to comply with the RDNO's commitment to the Climate Action Charter, the RDNO create a Carbon Neutral Reserve Fund according to Option Three, of the staff report dated June 26, 2012.

DEFEATED

**Opposed: Directors Fairbairn, Fowler, Dirk,
Macnabb, Foisy, Pearase, Fleming, Brown**

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Pearase

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that in order to comply with the RDNO's commitment to the Climate Action Charter, the RDNO adopt a "making progress towards carbon neutrality" position at this point according to Option One, of the staff report dated June 26, 2012.

CARRIED

**Opposed: Directors Acton, Cyr,
Sawatzky, and Cunningham**

Transit Futures Plan

John Hicks, BC Transit, provided a presentation regarding the North Okanagan Transit Future Plan Terms of Reference which outlined the following:

- Stakeholder and Community Engagement
- Context
- Transit Future Network (Frequent, Local, and Specialty)
- Implementation Strategy
- Keys to Success
- Moving Forward (tentative date of June 2013 that the report will be finalized)

The Committee was advised that public consultation / input into the planning process for the Transit Future Plan will continue to occur.

Discussion ensued regarding the financial aspect of the Plan and how it is important for local governments to receive financial information as soon as possible in order to prepare budgets.

Moved and seconded by Directors Sawatzky and Dirk

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the Terms of Reference for the North Okanagan Transit Future Plan project, as presented to the Committee of the Whole on September 5, 2012 by BC Transit, be endorsed, and further,

That the General Manager Engineering be appointed to the 2012-2013 North Okanagan Transit Future Plan Project Steering Committee; and further,

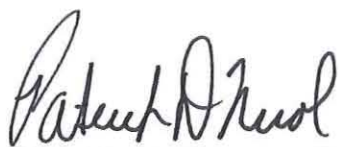
That the Regional Engineering Services Manager be appointed to the 2012-2013 North Okanagan Transit Future Plan Project Working Group.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Chair

PATRICK NICOL'
CHAIR



Corporate Officer

JEANNE BYRON
CORPORATE OFFICER