



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

MINUTES of a **REGULAR** meeting of the **REGIONAL GROWTH MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE** held in the Board Room at the Regional District Office on Thursday, April 5, 2012

Members:	Director M. Macnabb	Electoral Area "C"	Chair
	Director K. Acton	Village of Lumby	Vice Chair
	Director S. Fowler	City of Armstrong	
	Director D. Dirk	District of Coldstream	
	Director H. Cyr	City of Enderby	
	Director J. Brown	Township of Spallumcheen	
	Director P. Nicol	City of Vernon	
	Director B. Fleming	Electoral Area "B"	
	Director R. Fairbairn	Electoral Area "D"	
	Director E. Foisy	Electoral Area "E"	
	Director J. Pearase	Electoral Area "F"	
Staff:	R. Smailes	General Manager, Planning and Building	
	A. Kittel	Regional Growth Strategy Coordinator	
	A. Bevan	Executive Assistant (taking minutes)	
Other:	Wendy Aasen	Community Farm Action Team	
	Kevin Poole	Economic Development Officer, City of Vernon	
	Members of the Public		

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Macnabb called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee – April 5, 2012

Moved and seconded by Directors Acton and Cyr

That the Agenda of the April 5, 2012 regular meeting of the Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee be approved as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee – March 8, 2012

Moved and seconded by Directors Nicol and Acton

That the minutes of the March 8, 2012 regular meeting of the Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Kevin Poole Economic Development Officer, City of Vernon

Gave a presentation regarding the Employment Lands Inventory and the Industrial Lands Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

- Industrial Lands MOU was previously signed in 2010 by all member municipalities and electoral areas
- City of Vernon endorsed renewal of the MOU with all partners for another year at a Council meeting in February 2012
- City of Vernon is requesting a \$5000 contribution towards the Employment Lands Inventory (\$17,500 has been received from the Federal Government), staff support and GIS support

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Acton

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the City of Vernon Industrial Lands Memorandum of Understanding originally signed in May 2010 be renewed.

CARRIED

Moved and seconded by Dirk and Nicol

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that:

- a \$5000 contribution be given to the Employment Lands Inventory, being a project initiated by the City of Vernon, for lands within the entire Regional District of North Okanagan;
- the required staff support be provided;
- the GIS support be provided and for the RDNO to house the data from the Inventory once complete.

CARRIED

Wendy Aasen for the Community Farm Action Team

Gave a presentation regarding

- Community farm and Okanagan College demonstration garden located on a portion of the Okanagan College property
- Interested in working in partnership with the Regional District
- Support the Regional Growth Strategy
- Requesting \$5000 contribution
- Kindale Developmental Organization is taking the lead on partnership for the community farm/garden, and will form a steering committee
- Funding for once the farm is established will be from resources, curriculum from the College

Moved and seconded by Directors Nicol and Dirk

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that a \$5000 contribution from Regional Planning (031) for the implementation of Regional Growth Strategy initiatives be provided to the Community Farm Action Team for the development of a Community Farm located on the Okanagan College property be supported.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Letters of Support

Real Estate Foundation of British Columbia Grant Application: Regional Growth Strategy Monitoring and Evaluation

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Nicol

That the three letters of support for the Real Estate Foundation of British Columbia Grant Application: Regional Growth Strategy Monitoring and Evaluation attached to the April 5 2012 Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee agenda be received for their information.

CARRIED

Letters of Support

Union of British Columbia Municipalities Gas Tax Agreement 2012 Integrated Community Sustainability Planning/Capacity Building Grant Application

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Nicol

That the three letters of support for the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Gas Tax Agreement 2012 Integrated Community Sustainability Planning/Capacity Building Grant Application attached to the April 5 2012 Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee agenda be received for their information.

CARRIED

Letters of Support

Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Municipal Fund Application - Regional Growth Strategy 5-Year Sustainability Action Plan

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Nicol

That the seventeen letters of support for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Municipal Fund Application - Regional Growth Strategy 5-Year Sustainability Action Plan attached to the April 5 2012 Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee agenda be received for their information.

CARRIED

The Regional Growth Strategy Coordinator advised that:

- Food Action Coalition in Armstrong was asked to provide a letter of support for and declined
- 25 letters of support have been received for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Municipal Fund Application - Regional Growth Strategy 5-Year Sustainability Action Plan
- 5 additional letters of support have been promised for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Municipal Fund Application - Regional Growth Strategy 5-Year Sustainability Action Plan
- 18 letters of support have been received for the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Gas Tax Agreement 2012 Integrated Community Sustainability Planning/Capacity Building Grant Application, including four provincial ministries

Regional Growth Strategy Budget Update – March 20, 2012

The Regional Growth Strategy Coordinator advised that the Real Estate Foundation of British Columbia Grant Application for \$76,400 for a Regional Growth Strategy Monitoring and Evaluation Program was approved.

Moved and seconded by Directors Acton and Fleming

That the report dated March 20, 2012, from the Regional Growth Strategy Coordinator, regarding Regional Growth Strategy Budget Update be received for information.

CARRIED

Moved and seconded by Directors Nicol and Dirk

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that staff be directed to provide the amount of funds recovered for the Regional Growth Strategy Coordinator's time spent regarding CP Rail issues.

CARRIED

March 8, 2012 Prioritization Workshop Results

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Acton

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the top five priorities identified during the March 8, 2012 Workshop exercises and as identified in the staff report dated March 13, 2012 be endorsed as the focus of the 5-Year Action Plan.

CARRIED

Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee Draft Terms of Reference

Director Dirk provided an amended version of the Draft Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee Terms of Reference.

The General Manager, Planning and Building advised that the Regional Growth Strategy Coordinator can coordinate the Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee until the end of 2012.

Moved and seconded by Directors Acton and Dirk

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the amended Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee Terms of Reference attached to the staff report dated March 27, 2012 be supported, and further;

That prior to the adoption of the Terms of Reference, the staff report titled "Regional Agricultural Advisory Committee Draft Terms of Reference" be referred to the Agricultural Land Commission, Ministry of Agriculture, the Electoral Area Advisory Committee and member municipal councils for comment.

CARRIED

Regional Growth Strategy Potential Actions

Moved and seconded by Directors Fleming and Acton

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the report dated March 27, 2012 from the Regional Growth Strategy Coordinator regarding potential Regional Growth Strategy Actions be received for information; and further,

That staff be directed to further actions listed within the report to be considered for implementation by the Board of Directors.

CARRIED

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Nicol
That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that staff be directed to prepare a report on the process of developing an economic development strategy and/or an economic development promotional plan and that any pre-existing information/reports, specifically a report prepared by Victor Cummings, be included.

CARRIED


BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Certified Correct:


Chair


Corporate Officer