



HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS – APRIL 20, 2006

REGIONAL BOARD

Community and Recreation Grants

The Board approved the following requests for Community and Recreation Grants:

- Prince George Rod & Gun Club to assist with construction costs
- Northern Medical Programs Trust for 2006
- McBride Curling Club for assistance with lease payments
- Valemount Community Literacy for the Family Literacy Program
- Valemount Learning Centre to assist with its Super Host Program
- Bear Lake Elementary School for its Swimming Program Cost
- Bear Lake Recreation Association for insurance
- McLeod Lake Indian Band for their Annual Education Celebration
- Ness Lake Recreation Commission for newsletter expenses and insurance costs

Blackburn-Giscome Road Community Water System Service- Boundary Expansion

The Board gave first three readings to a bylaw to extend the Blackburn-Giscome Road water specified area to enable inclusion of a residence on Six Mile Lake Road.

Libraries – Mackenzie and Prince George – Informal Service Review

The Board approved a grant for the Mackenzie Public Library in the amount of \$1,200 for 2006 and a grant for the Prince George Public Library in the amount of \$150,000.

Management Committee Appointments

The Board appointed the following new members to the Dome Creek Recreation Community Management Committee:

- Cyril Schultz, and
- Keith Renfrew.

Salmon Valley Fire Department Establishment Bylaw

The Board approved to increase the grant from \$5.00 to \$7.00 for each member's attendance at a practice and/or call-out effective January 1, 2006.

Fire Protection Boundary Expansion – Ferndale/Tabor Fire Protection Area

The Board gave first three readings to a bylaw that proposes to amend the boundaries of the Ferndale/Tabor Fire Protection Local Service area to include 13555 Ferndale Road.

Call For Competitive Bids

- New Rescue Truck for the Valemount and District Rescue Service truck that will respond to highway rescue calls within Electoral Area 'D'
- New Pumper Truck for the Ness Lake Volunteer Fire Department.

Building Statistics – March 2006

A total of 86 permits, valued at \$4,067,200 have been issued so far this year; 43 more than were issued for the same period last year. Twenty single-family dwelling permits valued at \$3,430,000 have been issued, compared to 6 dwellings last year.

Development and Variance Permit – N & V Construction, Viktor Bugaychuk – Highway 16 East, McBride

Following a public consideration, Board issued a Development and Variance Permit that allows the applicants to erect a 45 square foot lit sign near the driveway entrance to their campground on Highway 16 East, approximately 10 miles east of McBride. The applicants wish to locate their sign adjacent to the front lot line and 25 metres from the side lot line so that they will not have to remove trees and screening from the front of their parcel.

10% Frontage Waiver – Thee/Norbraten – Chief Lake Road

The Board approved a request from Vern Norbraten to waive the 10% road frontage requirement for subdivision. The owners are in the process of subdividing 62 acres off Chief Lake Road adjacent to the Syms Road subdivision.

ALR Subdivision – Wittig – Hartman Road – Beaverley

The Board approved, in their delegated capacity as the Agricultural Land Commission, the application by the Wittig family to subdivide approximately 120 acres at 10915 and 11225 Hartman Road in Beaverley into two lots, providing a parcel for each family of the owners on title.

Second Dwelling – Boyko – Pineview

The owners have requested approval from the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission for a second dwelling on their 55.51 acre parcel at 7695 Tabor Creek Road. The Board recommended approval to the proposal.

Subdivision Rezoning – Hicks and Frisk – Valemount Area

Regional Board adopted a Community Plan amendment and gave third reading to a zoning amendment that would allow for the creation of four parcels from approximately 107 acres. The property is located on Pine Road, west of the Village of Valemount. Ministry of Transportation approval is required prior to adoption of the zoning amendment bylaw.

Second Dwelling – Sonyau Stavely – Blackwater Area

The Board adopted a zoning amendment to allow a second dwelling on the property located at 6790 Tedford Road in the Blackwater area. There were no concerns expressed at the March 29th public hearing.

Second Dwelling – Hunniford – Chief Lake Road

The Board gave first reading to a zoning amendment to allow for a second dwelling, a manufactured home to be occupied by the owner's daughter. The property is located at the corner of Aquarius and Chief Lake Roads and is approximately 16 acres in size. A public hearing on this rezoning will be held prior to proceeding.

Home Composter Distribution Event

Board approved of a one day mass home composter distribution event to be held in Prince George in early June. Residents will be able to purchase a backyard composter for \$38 per unit. The Regional District will also make arrangements to distribute home composters in Mackenzie, McBride and Valemount later in the summer. The Regional Solid Waste Management Plan identifies a home composter distribution program as an effective waste management tool that can divert in the range of 200-300 kilograms of organic waste per household each year. The last home composter distribution event was held in 1997.

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