



HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS – MARCH 16, 2006

REGIONAL BOARD

Community Grants-In-Aid

The Board approved the following requests for Community Grants-in-Aid:

- Fort George Highway Rescue to assist with base hall operations.
- Giscome Elementary School for their swim program
- Reid Lake Farmer's Institute for their Annual General Meeting costs.
- Dome Creek Community Association for Rural Crime Watch signs.
- Valemount Secondary School for the basketball team's travel costs.
- Bear Lake Improvement Society for landscaping costs
- District of Mackenzie for their recreational facilities.
- Summit Lake Community Association for insurance costs and Community Hall improvements.
- Lakes Cemetery Society for start up and initial running costs.
- Salmon Valley Curling Club for kitchen renovations and replacement of flooring.
- Pineview Recreation Commission for Pineview Community Hall renovations.

Recreation Grants

The Board approved the following request for a Recreation Grant:

- Reid Lake Community Association for recreation programs, services, facilities and insurance, swimming lessons, and newsletters.

Robson Valley Recreation Centre - Dressing Room Project

The Board awarded a contract for professional services to design the second floor 'Fit Pit' renovations and change room additions for the Robson Valley Recreation Centre, to Firth Hollin Resource Science Corporation.

Management Committee Appointments

The Board appointed the following new members to the Reid Lake Community Hall Management Committee:

- Tim Brown
- Fred Murfitt, and
- Wayne Sanders.

Fire Protection Service Boundary Expansion - McBride District

The Board gave first three readings to a bylaw that proposes to amend the boundaries of the McBride Fire Protection Service Area to include 3 properties that abut the northwest boundary along Highway 16.

Fire Department Honorarium Increases

The Board adopted bylaws that provide for honorarium increases for the positions of Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief at the Shell-Glen, and Valemount and District, Fire Departments.

Call For Proposals for New Rescue Truck - Electoral Area 'D'

The Board approved issuing a call for Proposals for the purchase of one new rescue truck that will respond to highway rescue calls within Electoral Area 'D'.

UBCM 2006 Emergency Planning Program – Grant Application

The Board approved issuing an application for funding assistance to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Emergency Planning Grant Program for exercising and training activities for emergency preparedness.

Computer Aided Dispatch and Records Management System (CAD/RMS) Project

The Board approved the following regarding the CAD/RMS (fire services) project:

- the purchase of FDM CAD/RMS software
- the execution of five-year agreements for professional services, software licensing, and software support and maintenance, and
- the CAD/RMS capital plan.

Building Statistics – February 2006

The Board received a report highlighting that a total of 55 permits, valued at \$2,507,200 have been issued so far this year; 22 more than were issued for the same period last year. Eleven single-family dwelling permits valued at \$2,084,000 have been issued. Total permit fees for February 2006 were \$18,442 compared to \$5,728 in 2005.

Subdivision Rezoning – Sorine Winther – Beverly

The Board adopted Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2272 which will allow subdivision of property located at the south east corner of West Beverly Road North and Woodland Road and approximately ½ mile west of Hartman Road in Electoral Area C, into 27 lots ranging in size from 5.3 acres to 6.8 acres. First reading was given February 16, 2006 and a public hearing was held March 1, 2006.

Subdivision Rezoning – Hicks and Frisk – Valemount Area

The Board gave first reading to a zoning amendment to allow for creation of four new parcels, the smallest of which would be 7.5 acres in size. The property is located on Pine Road, west of the Village of Valemount and is approximately 107 acres. A public hearing on this rezoning application will be held in the near future.

Second Dwelling – Sonyau Stavely – Blackwater Area

The Board gave first reading to a zoning amendment to allow for a second dwelling through the conversion of an existing shop into a single-family dwelling. The property is located at 6790 Tedford Road in the Blackwater area and is approximately 12 acres in size. A public hearing on this rezoning application will be held in the near future.

Development and Variance Permit – Bruce and Diana Pozer - Ness Lake

The Board issued a Development and Variance Permit that allows for construction of a 1,920 square foot shop/storage shed on a 15.74 acre property located at Ness Lake. As there is no house on the property, and the applicants wish to construct a shop over 540 square feet, a Development Variance Permit was required. It is the intent of the owner to build a home on the property in the future.

Bendixon Community Sewer System – Purchase of Equipment

The Board approved the purchase of nineteen, E-one Simplex Grinder Pump Stations from John Brooks Company Limited for the proposed Bendixon Road Community Sewer System.

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