



## **HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 16, 2006**

### **By-Election for Electoral Area A**

The Board appointed a Chief Election Officer to hold a by-election for the vacant position of Director Electoral Area A. The by-election must be held within 80 days of the appointment. The Board also resolved to request an exemption from the requirement to appoint an interim director pending the holding of a by-election.

### **Community and Recreation Grants**

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

- Pineview Recreation Commission for computer equipment and resources
- Reid Lake Community Association for extermination costs and supplies
- Hixon Community Association for steam table costs and Knowledge Network facility repairs, and
- Hixon Community Association for playground, aquatic and programming costs.

### **Property Use Agreement – Nukko Lake Community Hall**

The Board renewed the Property Use Agreement with the Nukko Lake Recreation Commission for use of the Community Hall for a 5 year term.

### **Property Use Agreement – Bear Lake Community Recreational Property**

To enable renewal of the property use agreement with the Bear Lake and District Community Association for property on Cinnamon Road, used for a Community Hall and recreational facilities, the Regional Board gave direction to proceed with renewal of the Licence of Occupation with the Crown.

### **Property Use Agreement – Beaverley Community Association**

To enable renewal of the property use agreement with the Beaverley Community Association for property at the corner of Woodland and South Heights Road, used for a community park and recreational facilities, the Regional Board gave direction to proceed with renewal of the Licence of Occupation with the Crown.

### **Property Use Agreement – Penny Community Historical Association**

To enable renewal of a property use agreement the Penny Community Historical Association for the Penny Community Hall, the Regional Board gave direction to proceed with renewal of the Licence of Occupation with the Crown.

### **Nukko Lake Weed Harvesting**

Representatives of the Nukko Environmental Lake Weed Society gave a presentation on the weed harvester program at Nukko Lake over the last three years. During that period the lake water clarity has improved significantly. They were thankful for the assistance given by the Regional District, as well as that provided by BC Lotteries and local residents.

### **Fire Protection Boundary Expansion – Beverly Fire Protection Service Area**

The Board gave second and third readings to Bylaw No. 2232 which proposes to expand the Beverly Fire Protection Service Area to include two properties located along Blackwater Road.

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### **Local Service Advisory Committee – Valemount and District Fire/Rescue Service**

The Board approved the establishment of a local service committee for the Valemount and District Fire/Rescue Service Area. The committee will provide advice and recommendations concerning the Valemount and District Fire Protection Service and the Valemount and District Rescue Service.

### **Building Statistics – October 2006**

The Board received a report showing a total of 431 permits, valued at \$21,088,850 have been issued to the end of October 2006. 79 single-family dwelling permits valued at \$14,886,500 have been issued, compared to 55 dwellings last year at a value of \$9,100,710.

### **Lakeshore Development Permits – September**

The Board received a report showing that the following Lakeshore Development Permits were issued in September 2006:

- Burgess – Purden Lake, to allow construction of a cabin with attached covered deck, pit privy, landscaping and clearing
- Dlege – West Lake, to allow construction of a house, woodshed, three retaining walls, gazebo, garage, back up septic system, driveway, and landscaping including re-vegetation
- Pflinger – Tabor Lake, to allow a footpath to the lakeshore, selective land clearing and selective landscaping
- Fortier – West Lake, to allow construction of a garage.

### **Development Variance Permit – Graham, Chief Lake**

Following a public hearing, the Board issued a development variance permit to Karen Graham to reduce the setback from the natural boundary of Chief Lake, on Lot 4, Schefer Drive. Ms. Graham wishes to build her house 50 metres (164 feet) from the lakeshore to keep a greater distance between her house and the adjacent lot's lagoon, while still retaining a significant vegetated buffer to the lake.

### **Zoning Amendment Bylaw – Miles – Beaverley**

The Board adopted Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2304 which will allow Ruby and Charles Miles to subdivide approximately 8 acres from the northeast part of their land along Yellowhead Highway 16 for the future construction of a new Beaverley Firehall.

### **ALR Inclusion Applications**

The Board recommended approval to the Agricultural Land Commission to include a number of properties into the ALR:

- Garth Overall has applied to purchase 14.5 hectares of land, east of Spence Lake, from the Crown for agricultural purposes.
- Richard and Jean Goudie have applied to purchase 70 hectares of land, east of Murtle Lake, from the Crown for agricultural purposes.
- Ms. Austin has applied to purchase 65 hectares of land, next to Eskers Provincial Park, from the Crown for agricultural purposes.
- Peter and Maxine Koppe have applied to purchase 17.6 hectares of land, north of the Nechako River and the Isle Pierre community, from the Crown for agricultural purposes.

### **Subdivision within the ALR – Jervis – McBride area**

The Board recommended the Agricultural Land Commission allow Russell and Veldena Jervis to subdivide off approximately 25 acres around their home. Their property is located on Highway 16, east of McBride. The homesite is on the least agriculturally viable and most geographically challenging part of the property.

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**Subdivision within the ALR – Matters – Pineview area**

The Board, acting in its delegated capacity as the Agricultural Land Commission, approved an ALR application by Lorraine Matters to subdivide her property at 10680 Pinko Road into two 80-acres parcels. The proposal meets the terms of the Tabor Lake-Stone Creek Official Community Plan for a homesite severance.

**Zoning Amendment Bylaw – Johnson – Dome Creek area**

The Board gave first reading to Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2321 that will now proceed to a public hearing. The proposal is by Donald and Naomi Johnson to subdivide their property between the Fraser River and Dome Creek south of the CN Railway, into four lots of approximately 10 acres, 13 acres, 16 acres and 30 acres.

**Village of Valemount Zoning Bylaw**

The Regional District has agreed to assist the Village of Valemount in its Zoning Bylaw review as the next logical step to the updated Official Community Plan which was adopted earlier this year.

**Prince George Area Industrial Land Study**

The Board approved a multi-agency integrated review of the 2001 Prince George area Industrial Land Study to be initiated and coordinated by the Regional District.

**Vehicle Tender Awards**

The Board approved the purchase of

- a Four-Wheel Drive ½ Ton Extended-Cab Pick-Up from Northland Chrysler Jeep Dodge for the tender price of \$34,538.18 including taxes, and
- a Four-Wheel Drive Hybrid SUV from Prince George Motors Limited for the tender price of \$40,529.09 including taxes.

**Multi-Material Recycling Services**

The Board approved the renewal of Multi-Material Recycling Services with Metro Materials Recovery Inc. for the period January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007. The contract terms and conditions for collection, processing and marketing services remain unchanged from 2006.

**Contract Award – Robson Valley Transfer Station Solid Waste Hauling**

The Board approved the awarding of Contract ES-06-17 Solid Waste Hauling Services – Valemount and McBride to RB Hatchard Contracting Ltd. for the tendered price of \$1,033.50 per trip. Three qualified tender submissions were received with the lowest qualified bid being submitted by RB Hatchard Contracting Ltd.

**For more information please contact 960-4400.**