



SKEENA-QUEEN CHARLOTTE REGIONAL DISTRICT

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District (SQCRD) held at the Village of Queen Charlotte municipal office on Saturday, April 26, 2014.

PRESENT

PRIOR TO ADOPTION

Chair B. Pages, Village of Masset

Directors A. Ashley, City of Prince Rupert
 N. Kinney, City of Prince Rupert
 K. Olsen, Alternate, Village of Queen Charlotte
 I. Gould, Village of Port Clements
 D. Franzen, District of Port Edward
 K. Bergman, Electoral Area C
 M. Racz, Electoral Area D
 E. Putterill, Electoral Area E

Regrets: D. Nobels, Electoral Area A
 C. Kulesha, Village of Queen Charlotte

Staff: J. Merrick, Chief Administrative Officer
 R. Kidd, Island Solid Waste Manager
 L. Neville, Haida Gwaii Recreation Commission Coordinator

Public: 0
 Media: 0

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:00 p.m.

2. AGENDA

2.1 MOVED by Director Franzen, SECONDED by Director Putterill, that the amended agenda be adopted as amended, to include the following:

- 11.3 Regional District Basic Grants
- 12.1 Northwest Fish & Wildlife Correspondence

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CARRIED

3. MINUTES & BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3.1 Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Regular Board Meeting – March 21, 2014 Minutes

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Racz, that the minutes of the March 21, 2014 Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Regular Board meeting be adopted as presented.

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CARRIED

4. STANDING COMMITTEE/COMMISSION MINUTES – BUSINESS ARISING

4.1 Moresby Island Management Committee –March 3, 2014 Minutes

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Franzen, that the minutes of the March 3, 2014 Moresby Island Management Committee Meeting be received as presented.

160-2014**CARRIED****5. DELEGATIONS**

5.1 R. Jones, Project Manager – Haida Marine Working Group

Russ Jones, Project Manager for the Haida Marine Working Group, addressed the Board in regard to Haida marine priorities and important cultural and ecological areas that form a draft marine-use plan for Haida Gwaii.

The Haida Gwaii draft Marine Plan is now available for public review and comment. Comments to the proposed Haida Gwaii draft Marine Plan are welcome from members of the public and the Haida Nation from April 2 – May 7, 2014.

The draft plan was prepared by the Council of the Haida Nation and the Government of British Columbia, as represented by the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, and reflects substantive input from both the Haida Marine Working Group and the Haida Gwaii Marine Advisory Committee.

The Chair thanked Mr. Jones for his presentation.

5.2 D. Baker, Community Relations Advisor – Pacific Northwest LNG

Derek Baker, Community Relations Advisor for Pacific Northwest LNG, addressed the Board with an update on the Pacific Northwest LNG project.

Pacific NorthWest LNG is a proposed natural gas liquefaction and export facility on Lelu Island within the District of Port Edward on land administered by the Prince Rupert Port Authority. The facility would liquefy and export natural gas produced by Progress Energy Canada Ltd. in northeast B.C. The facility represents an estimated \$11 billion investment. Pacific NorthWest LNG has contracted with Canadian company TransCanada Pipeline Limited to design, construct and operate a new natural gas pipeline that will transport B.C. natural gas to our facility.

Mr. Baker provided updated information pertaining to the Pacific Northwest LNG project's schedule; environmental application; facility overview; economic benefits; and community investment.

The Chair thanked Mr. Baker for his presentation.

6. FINANCE

6.1 J. Musgrave, Administrative Assistant - Cheques Payable over \$5,000 for March, 2014

MOVED by Director Kinney, SECONDED by Director Putterill, that the staff report on Cheques Payable over \$5,000 issued by the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District for March, 2014 be received and filed.

161-2014**CARRIED**

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office

MOVED by Director Racz, SECONDED by Director Franzen, that the correspondence from the British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office in regard to the proposed Pacific Northwest LNG project be received and filed.

162-2014**CARRIED**

7.2 Northern Development Initiative Trust

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Franzen, that the correspondence from Northern Development Initiative Trust in regard to 2014 grant writing support funding be received;

AND THAT a letter be sent to Northern Development Initiative Trust to thank them for the support funding.

163-2014**CARRIED**

7.3 British Columbia Achievement Foundation

MOVED by Director Franzen, SECONDED by Director Bergman, that the correspondence from the British Columbia Achievement Foundation in regard to the 2014 British Columbia Community Achievement Awards be received and filed.

164-2014**CARRIED**

7.4 O'Brien Road & Bridge Maintenance Ltd.

MOVED by Director Franzen, SECONDED by Director Ashley, that the correspondence from O'Brien Road & Bridge Maintenance Ltd. in regard to the stakeholders' summer 2014 update be received.

165-2014**CARRIED**

7.5 Municipal Finance Authority of BC

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Putterill, that the correspondence from the Municipal Finance Authority of BC in regard to the spring debenture issue be received.

166-2014**CARRIED**

7.6 The Village of Port Clements

MOVED by Alternate Director Olsen, SECONDED by Director Putterill, that the correspondence from the Village of Port Clements requesting a letter of support be received;

AND THAT a letter of support be provided to the Village of Port Clements for its application to the Gwaii Trust Community Innovation Program.

167-2014**CARRIED**

7.7 Province of British Columbia

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Gould, that the correspondence from the Province of BC in regard to LNG revenue-sharing agreements be received and filed.

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CARRIED

7.8 Union of British Columbia Municipalities

MOVED by Director Franzen, SECONDED by Director Putterill, that the correspondence from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities in regard to liability for contaminated sites be received.

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CARRIED

7.9 Northern Development Initiative Trust

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Gould, that the correspondence from Northern Development Initiative Trust in regard to 2014 economic development capacity building funding be received.

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CARRIED

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Gould, that the 2014 economic development capacity building funding from Northern Development Initiative Trust continue to be allocated equally (50/50) between Haida Gwaii and mainland economic development functions.

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CARRIED

7.10 Office of the Premier

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Gould, that the correspondence from the Office of the Premier in response to the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District's March 26, 2014 correspondence regarding increased development in northwestern B.C. be received.

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CARRIED

7.11 Northern Development Initiative Trust

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Franzen, that the correspondence from Northern Development Initiative Trust in regard to the 2014 planning internship program be received.

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CARRIED

8. REPORTS – RESOLUTIONS

8.1 D. Fish, Deputy Corporate Officer – Kaien Island Trail Network – Maintenance

MOVED by Alternate Director Olsen, SECONDED by Director Franzen, that the staff report entitled "Kaien Island Trail Network - Maintenance" be received.

174-2014

CARRIED

8.2 D. Fish, Deputy Corporate Officer – BC Ferries Meeting Request

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Racz, that the staff report entitled “BC Ferries Meeting Request” be received;

AND THAT a follow-up letter be sent to the Premier to request a joint-meeting with the Province, the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District and other local governments and First Nations to discuss the BC Ferries issue.

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CARRIED

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Ashley, that staff send a letter to Misty Isles Economic Development Society to request that it investigate the possibility of an alternative service delivery model for BC Ferries Route 26 (Skidegate to Alliford Bay) and develop a business case, if appropriate.

176-2014

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Gould, that a letter be sent to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure requesting a meeting to discuss concerns with BC Ferries’ lack of flexibility in relation to the scheduling of BC Ferries Route 26 (Skidegate to Alliford Bay).

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CARRIED

8.3 H. Adel, Economic Development Officer – Misty Isles Economic Development Society Update No. 3

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Gould, that the staff report entitled “Misty Isles Economic Development Society Update No. 3” be received and filed.

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CARRIED

8.4 D. Fish, Deputy Corporate Officer – 2014 UBCM Resolutions and Meeting Requests

MOVED by Director Franzen, SECONDED by Director Ashley, that the staff report entitled “2014 UBCM Resolutions and Meeting Requests” be received.

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CARRIED

8.5 R. Kidd, Islands Solid Waste Manager – Islands Solid Waste Update

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Kinney, that the verbal staff report entitled “Islands Solid Waste Update” be received.

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CARRIED

8.6 L. Neville, Haida Gwaii Recreation Coordinator – Haida Gwaii Recreation Coordinator’s Report March 2014

MOVED by Director Kinney, SECONDED by Director Ashley, that the staff report entitled “Haida Gwaii Recreation Coordinator’s Report March 2014” be received.

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CARRIED

8.7 T. Musgrave, Administrative Assistant – 2014 per Kilometer Allowance

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Ashley, that the staff report entitled “2014 per Kilometer Allowance” be received;

AND THAT the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District per kilometer allowance be increased from \$0.53 per kilometer to \$0.54 per kilometer as per the Travel Policy, effective May 1, 2014;

AND FURTHER THAT, in the future, rate changes to the “Travel by Private Vehicle” allowance be implemented automatically without Board approval, as per the “Directors – Reimbursement of Travel and Other Expenses” policy.

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CARRIED

8.8 J. Merrick, Chief Administrative Officer – Moresby Island Management Committee – Recommended Bylaw

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Gould, that the staff report entitled “Moresby Island Management Committee – Recommended Bylaw” be received;

AND THAT the “Moresby Island Management Standing Committee Bylaw No. 579, 2014” be referred to the May 23, 2014 Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Board meeting.

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CARRIED

8.9 D. Fish, Deputy Corporate Officer – Videoconferencing Options

MOVED by Director Gould, SECONDED by Director Racz, that the staff report entitled “Videoconferencing Options” be received.

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CARRIED

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Racz, that the October 17, 2014 Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Regular Board meeting be rescheduled as a videoconference meeting.

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CARRIED

8.10 D. Fish, Deputy Corporate Officer – June 20, 2014 SQCRD Regular Board Meeting in Dodge Cove

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Racz, that the staff report entitled “June 20, 2014 SQCRD Regular Board Meeting in Dodge Cove” be received;

AND THAT the June 20, 2014 SQCRD Regular Board meeting be rescheduled for 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 21, 2014.

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CARRIED

9. BYLAWS

None.

10. LAND REFERRALS/PLANNING**10.1 Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure – Controlled Access Highway Proposals**

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Putterill, that the correspondence from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure in regard to controlled access highway proposals be received.

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CARRIED

11. NEW BUSINESS**11.1 Directors' Reports**

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Putterill, that the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Directors' verbal reports, as follows, be received:

Director Franzen – District of Port Edward

- The District of Port Edward provided a \$500 donation to the Prince Rupert Golf Club;
- The District of Port Edward met with Canada Post to discuss issues surrounding service reduction; and
- PTI Group Inc. is proposing to purchase more land in the District of Port Edward.

Alternate Director Olsen – Village of Queen Charlotte

- The Council of the Haida Nation will be hosting the Haida Gwaii Youth Assembly from May 8-10, 2014.

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CARRIED

11.2 Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Strategic Priorities 2013/2014 Update

MOVED by Director Ashley, SECONDED by Director Putterill, that the staff report entitled "Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Strategic Priorities 2013/2014 Update" be received.

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CARRIED

11.3 Regional District Basic Grants

MOVED by Director Putterill, SECONDED by Director Gould, that the staff investigate and report back on the unique geographical features aspect for provincial grants to School District 50 Haida Gwaii.

190-2014

CARRIED

12. OLD BUSINESS

12.1 Northwest Fish and Wildlife Correspondence

MOVED by Director Franzen, SECONDED by Director Racz, that the Board send a letter to the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations to address angling management issues around trout and char.

191-2014**CARRIED****13. PUBLIC INPUT**

There were 0 questions from the public.

14. IN CAMERA

MOVED by Director Kinney, SECONDED by Director Ashley, that the Board move to the In Camera meeting following the Regular Meeting under sections 90(1)(c) and (e) of the *Community Charter* – “labour relations or other employee relations” and “the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements...”

192-2014**CARRIED****15. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Director Kinney, SECONDED by Director Ashley, that the Regular Board meeting be adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

193-2014**CARRIED**

Approved and adopted:

Certified correct:

B. Pages
Chair

J. Merrick
Chief Administrative Officer