



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2012

Regional District Board Room, 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC

DIRECTORS

Cindy Solda, Chairperson, City of Port Alberni

PRESENT:

Eric Geall, Electoral Area "A" (Bamfield)

Mike Kokura, Electoral Area "B" (Beaufort)

Tony Bennett, Electoral Area "C" (Long Beach)

Penny Cote, Electoral Area "D" (Sproat Lake)

John McNabb, Electoral Area "E" (Beaver Creek)

John Douglas, Mayor, City of Port Alberni

Duncan McMaster, Alternate Director, District of Tofino

Bill Irving, Mayor, District of Ucluelet

Alan McCarthy, Member of Legislature, Yuułuꞵitꞵatꞵ Government

REGRETS:

Lyle Price, Alternate Director, Electoral Area "F" (Cherry Creek)

John Jack, Councillor, Huu-ay-aht First Nation

Andy Daniel, Manager of Environmental Services

STAFF PRESENT:

Russell Dyson, Chief Administrative Officer

Teri Fong, Manager of Finance

Mike Irg, Manager of Planning and Development

Wendy Thomson, Manager of Administrative Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: Director Kokura

SECONDED: Director Geall

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated with the addition of the following late items: verbal reports - West Coast Aquatic and Emcon Winter Stakeholders meeting.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Board of Directors Meeting – October 10, 2012

MOVED: Director Kokura
SECONDED: Director Bennett

THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on October 10, 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

b. West Coast Committee Meeting – October 10, 2012

MOVED: Director Bennett
SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT the minutes of the West Coast Committee meeting held on October 10, 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

c. Beaver Creek Water Advisory Committee Meeting – October 15, 2012

MOVED: Director Geall
SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT the minutes of the Beaver Creek Water Advisory Committee meeting held on October 15, 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

a. Introduction – Staff Sergeant Mac Richards, Officer-In-Charge, Port Alberni RCMP

The Chairperson introduced the new Officer-In-Charge for the Port Alberni RCMP Detachment, Staff Sergeant Mac B. Richards. Staff Sergeant Richards has over 23 years of service with the RCMP. He has been stationed in 4 detachments in Saskatchewan over 16 years and was primarily responsible for front line policing. He has experience in rural, urban, First Nations and plain clothes policing.

b. Presentations – Charity Hallberg Dodds, Planning Assistant, Laurie L’Heureux, Emergency Program Manager, Wendy Thomson, Manager of Administrative Services.

Charity Hallberg-Dodds, Planning Assistant with the ACRD was presented a gift of recognition for five years of service.

Laurie L'Heureux, Emergency Program Coordinator with the ACRD was presented a gift of recognition for 5 years of service.

Wendy Thomson, Manager of Administrative Services for the ACRD was presented with a gift of recognition for 25 years of service.

- e. Mr. Scott Fraser, MLA (Alberni-Pacific Rim) regarding logging in the local watershed.**

MOVED: Director Bennett

SECONDED: Director Geall

THAT Mr. Scott Fraser, MLA (Alberni-Pacific Rim) be invited to address the Regional District Board.

CARRIED

MLA Fraser reported that here was here this afternoon to share with Directors a copy of a letter of agreement he obtained from the Province for the protection of the ungulate winter ranges within the private land portion of TFL 44. He expressed concerns with Island Timberlands logging in McLaughlin Ridge and the negative impacts on water supply and wildlife habitat. This area has one of the most critical endangered ecosystems in Canada. MLA Fraser advised that he will not stop pushing for a moratorium on logging in the area. The delegation answered questions from Directors.

6. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

- a. Dr. Paul Hasselback, Medical Health Officer, Vancouver Island Health Authority, October 15, 2012 regarding request for meeting with Board of Directors to present Local Health Area Profiles.**

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Irving

THAT the Board of Directors invites Dr. Hasselback to an Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District meeting to make a presentation on Local Health Area Profiles.

CARRIED

- b. Tony Bennett, Area "C", West Coast Aquatic, October 17, 2012 regarding request for letter of support endorsing the West Coast Vancouver Island Coastal Strategy.**

MOVED: Director McNabb
SECONDED: Director Geall

THAT the Board of Directors send a letter to West Coast Aquatic endorsing the West Coast Vancouver Island Coastal Strategy.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

- a. The Honourable Steve Thomson, Minister, Forests, Lands And Natural Resource Operations regarding Clean-up of Abandoned Tire Dump;
- b. Union Of British Columbia Municipalities regarding 2012/2013 (Summer) Regional Community to Community Forum – Approval in Principle;
- c. BC Hydro regarding B.C.'s Brilliant Energy Future Springs from an Old-Fashioned Idea;
- d. District of Maple Ridge regarding Correspondence to Honourable Keith Ashfield, Minister, Fisheries and Oceans Canada regarding Federal Fisheries Act – Bill C38;
Correspondence to Honourable Denis Lebel, Minister, Transportation, Infrastructure and Communities regarding support of Federation of Canadian Municipalities campaign "Target 2014: Building our Future";
- e. Vancouver Island Regional Library regarding Information Package & Strategic Plan 2011-2015;
- f. Clayoquot Biosphere Trust regarding Clayoquot Sound Biosphere Reserve Region's Vital Signs;
- g. Messages of Condolences regarding the passing of our Chairperson Glenn Wong
- h. Further Messages of Condolences regarding the passing of our Chairperson Glenn Wong.

MOVED: Director Kokura
SECONDED: Director Douglas

THAT the Board of Directors receive a – h correspondence for information.

CARRIED

8. REQUEST FOR DECISIONS & BYLAWS

- a. **Request for Decision regarding Terrance Salman Hangar Lease – Long Beach Airport**

MOVED: Director Irving
SECONDED: Director Douglas

THAT the Alberni-District Regional District Board of Directors enter into a 3 year lease agreement commencing August 1, 2012 and expiring July 30, 2015, for an aircraft hangar at the Long Beach Airport with Terrance Salman at the rate of \$4,500.00 per year plus HST.

CARRIED

b. Request for Decision regarding Vice-Chair Position & Signing Authority

MOVED: Director Irving

SECONDED: Director Cote

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors recognize Cindy Solda as Interim Chair for the ACRD until the December 7, 2012 annual election.

CARRIED

MOVED: Director Irving

SECONDED: Director Cote

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors conduct an election for Interim Vice-Chair with nominations from the floor and a secret ballot at the October 24 regular meeting.

CARRIED

c. Election of Interim Vice-Chairperson

The CAO conducted elections for Interim Vice-Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District and Interim Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District.

The CAO requested nominations for the position of Interim Vice-Chairperson for the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District and Interim Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District until the December 7, 2012 annual election.

Director Bennett nominated Director Cote for the position of Interim Vice-Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District and Interim Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District until the December 7, 2012 annual election. Director Cote accepted the nomination.

Director Douglas nominated Director McNabb for the position of Interim Vice-Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District and Interim Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District until the December 7, 2012 annual election. Director McNabb accepted the nomination.

The CAO asked two more times for further nominations. There being no further nominations, the CAO and Manager of Administrative Services conducted the election for Interim Vice-Chairperson.

The CAO declared a tie vote. As per the ACRD Procedures Bylaw, the CAO and Manager of Administrative Services conducted a second election for Interim Vice-Chairperson.

The CAO declared a tie vote. As per the ACRD Procedures Bylaw, election of Interim Vice-Chairperson was determined by the drawing of lots. The CAO declared John McNabb Interim Vice-Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District and Interim Chairperson of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District until December 7, 2012 annual election.

MOVED: Director Kokura
SECONDED: Director Irving

THAT the ballots for election of Interim Vice-Chairperson be destroyed.

CARRIED

MOVED: Director Bennett
SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors authorize the following signatories for banking purposes for the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District and Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District:

- a. Cindy Solda, Interim Chairperson*
- b. John McNabb, Interim Vice-Chairperson*
- c. Russell Dyson, Chief Administrative Officer*
- d. Teri Fong, Manager of Finance*
- e. One of the above Directors are authorized to sign all Regional District banking documents with one of the above Staff members.*

CARRIED

d. Request for Decision regarding Committee Changes

MOVED: Director Irving
SECONDED: Director Douglas

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors endorses the committee changes as presented to apply until the January 2013 Board meeting.

CARRIED

f. Request for Decision regarding Island Corridor Foundation – Funding Request for Structural Repairs

MOVED: Director Kokura
SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT the following individuals be allowed to address the Board of Directors regarding funding the Island Corridor Foundation: Ken McRae, Dennis Dalla Vincenza and Graham Bruce.

CARRIED

Mr. McRae provided an overview of the \$15 million funding coming from the federal and provincial government to upgrade the island railway track and the proposed timelines for the proposed work on the line.

Mr. Dalla Vincenza spoke against the tax. He stated that this proposal does not benefit Port Alberni in any way as there is no timeline to improve the Alberni line.

Mr. Bruce advised that the Island Corridor Foundation website is full of information on the proposed project. The business plan is on the website and the Financial Statements will be on the website in 2013.

MOVED: Director Irving
SECONDED: Director Douglas

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors agree in principle to funding its share of the Island Corridor Foundation (ICF) contribution of \$115,200, through a region wide grant in aid subject to:

- 1. exploring alternative funding sources in lieu of property taxes and if funds become available the ACRD be reimbursed by the ICF;*
- 2. the commitment of the ICF partners to their share of the current contribution;*
- 3. commitment by the ICF and other regional partners to submit a budget and plan for the Alberni Sub within 30 months with a letter from ICF Board confirming the next upgrade is the Alberni sub and;*
- 4. Clearly state that this is a one-time contribution only.*

MOVED: Director Bennett
SECONDED: Director Irving

THAT the main motion be amended by striking out region wide.

CARRIED

The main motion, as amended was

CARRIED

Director McNabb, Douglas, Irving, Cote, Geall and Solda voted in favour of the motion.
Director Kokura, Bennett, McMaster, McCarthy voted against the motion.

Director Kokura requested that it be noted in the minutes that Electoral Areas “B” (Beaufort), “C” (Long Beach) and District of Tofino do not wish to be included in the grant-in-aid to the Island Corridor Foundation.

**f. Island Corridor Foundation – Backgrounder to ACRD Funding Request
Further Support for Island Corridor Foundation’s Funding Request**

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Bennett

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors receive the Island Corridor Foundation Backgrounder to ACRD Funding Request and the letters of support for this funding request.

CARRIED

g. Request for Decision regarding Electoral Area “F” (Cherry Creek) By-Election

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Irving

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors conduct a by-election for Electoral Area “F” (Cherry Creek) in February 2013 and offer to conduct the School District No. 70 (Alberni) by-election at the same time.

CARRIED

9. PLANNING MATTERS

a. RA11007, JENSEN, 375 CAPE BEALE TRAIL

Rezoning Application – Memo & Bylaw P1284

MOVED: Director Geall

SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT Bylaw P1284, Regional District of Alberni-Clayoquot Zoning Amendment Bylaw be adopted.

CARRIED

10. REPORTS

10.1 STAFF REPORTS

a. Planning and Development Manager Report – October 17, 2012

- b. Building Inspector's Report – August 2012
- c. Building Inspector's Report – September 2012
- d. Staff Action Items Report – October 17, 2012
- e. Meeting Schedule – November 2012
- f. Financial Statements- September 30, 2012

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Geall

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Staff Reports a-f.

CARRIED

10.2 COMMITTEE REPORTS

10.3 MEMBER REPORTS

- a. RCMP Update
- b. 9-1-1 Corporation – J. Douglas – No Report
- c. Vancouver Island Regional Library - P. Cote

Director Cote provided an update on the Vancouver Island Regional Library. October is Library month in BC. The Port Alberni branch has been part of the VIRLB for 75 years.

- d. Central West Coast Forest Society – T. Bennett – No Report
- e. Emergency Planning – P. Cote/M. Kokura/C. Solda

Director Cote reported that the Shake Out BC drill was held last Thursday.

- f. Coastal Communities Network – T. Bennett

Director Bennett reported that the Coastal Community Network has arranged their new executive. Director Bennett advised that he remains as Chair at this time. The CCN is in the process of developing a funding formula that they will be sending out to all members. The proposed budget for CCN is approximately \$48,000 to \$50,000.00. Director Bennett will bring the budget and funding formula forward for consideration during 2013 ACRD budget discussions.

- g. West Island Woodlands Advisory Group – J. Jack – No Report
- h. Air Quality Council, Port Alberni – J. McNabb – No Report
- i. West Coast Aquatic Board – T. Bennett

Director Bennett reported that he has been given an opportunity to go to Halifax November 5 – 7th to talk about the West Coast Vancouver Island Coastal Strategy with the University of Halifax. A community planning network has been developed that has been working on coastal planning issues. A representative from the Nuuchah-

Nulth Tribal Council has also been invited to attend. Director Bennett advised that West Coast Aquatic is paying all expenses and there is no cost to the Regional District.

j. Clayoquot Biosphere Trust – No Report

k. Association of Vancouver Island & Coastal Communities – C. Solda

The Chairperson reported that AVICC is forwarding a strong letter to the Province regarding clean-up of the old tire recycling plant in Port Alberni. AVICC is looking for input from Directors on workshop topics for the next convention.

l. Beaver Creek Water Advisory Committee – J. McNabb – No Report

m. Islands Trust – C. Solda – No Report

n. Emcon Winter Stakeholders Meeting

Director Cote reported that she and the CAO attended the Emcon Winter Stakeholders meeting recently. School bus drivers raised concerns with no lines on the roads. Director Cote has contact information for Emcon that she will share with the Board.

o. Other Reports

The Chairperson reported on her attendance at the BC Coastal Ferries Pre-Consultation and Engagement Meeting with coastal Regional District Chairs on October 17th in Nanaimo. The group is not happy with the Province's consultation process on the coastal ferry service. A letter is being forwarded to Minister Polak from the group. The Chairperson will provide the Board with a copy of the letter.

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Member Reports.

CARRIED

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14 IN-CAMERA

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Irving

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss matters relating to:

i. labour or other employee relations.

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 4:05 pm .

The meeting was re-opened to the public at 4:14 pm.

15. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD FROM IN-CAMERA

16. ADJOURN

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Geall

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 4:15 pm.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Cindy N. Solda,
Chairperson

Russell Dyson,
Chief Administrative Officer