

CENTRAL COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – May 14, 2009

In Attendance:	Electoral Area B	Director Rhoda Bolton
	Electoral Area C	Chair Brian Lande (8:50 am)
	Electoral Area D	Directors Kevin O’Neill
	Electoral Area E	Director Christine Hyde
	Administrator	Joy MacKay
	EDO	David Anderson (Portion)
	EPC	Stephen Waugh (Portion)

PART I - INTRODUCTION

1. Call to Order

Director O’Neill assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order at 8:45 am.

2. Adoption of Agenda

09-05-01 M/S Directors Bolton/Hyde that the Agenda be adopted as amended. CARRIED

Director Lande joined the meeting and assumed the Chair.

(IC) IN CAMERA MATTERS

09-05-02 M/S Directors O’Neill/Hyde that the meeting move in camera for consideration of labour, land and/or legal matters. CARRIED

RECONVENE

The meeting reconvened at 9:35 am.

PART II – POLICY MATTERS

(A) ECONOMIC MATTERS

(a) Economic Development Officer Report – May, 2009

Economic Development Officer David Anderson joined the meeting and verbally updated directors on progress in relation to the CCRD Economic Development Operating Plan.

The Monthly Report included updates on progress on the Bella Coola Valley Entrances Project, Trails Master Plan and Bella Coola Community Forest Ltd.

Directors Hyde updated directors on progress of the Central Coast Age Friendly Communities Project. Bella Coola Valley Health Services has undertaken an extensive consultation process with Central Coast Stakeholders in an effort to assess the need for a supportive living facility on the Central Coast.

EDO Anderson advised that the Bella Coola Harbour Authority's proposal to the West Coast Community Adjustment Program (WCCAP) for improvements at the Bella Coola Harbour was approved. Improvements valued at \$315,000 are expected to commence later this year.

The EDO advised directors that progress on construction of the Denny Island Tourism and Enterprise Center is going extremely well, with lock-up stage of the structure anticipated for May 21st.

Director O'Neill inquired about whether a Bella Coola Townsite Beautification project could be undertaken this year. EDO Anderson advised that, while a consultant has yet to be engaged, it is hoped that a funding proposal for townsite beautification will be included in the NDI Proposal Writing Program.

(b) Coast Sustainability Trust II – 2009 First Quarter Report

Directors received the 2009 First Quarter Report from the Coast Sustainability Trust II.

(c) Office of the Ombudsman – Letter re: CST

Directors reviewed a letter received from the Office of the Ombudsman regarding the CCRD's inquiry into the application of the *Ombudsman Act* to the Coast Sustainability Trust II.

09-05-03 M/S Directors O'Neill/Bolton that the Economic Development Officer's Report be received.

CARRIED

(B) LOCAL GOVERNANCE MATTERS

(a) Appointment of Alternate Directors

Appointment of an Alternate Director for Electoral Area A is still required.

(b) Agricultural Advisory Committee – 2009 Invasive Plant Program Funding

Formal notification of the Regional District's successful application for funding for implementation of the Invasive Plants Strategy was received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands.

(c) Airports - Bella Coola Airport Commission – April 16, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Minutes were received from the April 16, 2009 regular meeting of the Bella Coola Airport Commission. Business addressed by the Commission included a Memorandum of Understanding addressing the hay fields surrounding the runway, disposition of the meeting room telephone, the Bella Coola Airport Safety Management Plan, and the East End Runway Clearing Contract.

(d) Airports – Anahim Lake Airport Stakeholders Meeting Agenda & Letter to Dick Harris, MP

Director Hyde attended a meeting of Anahim Lake Airport stakeholders on April 29, 2009. The CCRD's interest in the meeting is the potential security issue arising as a result of the 2010 Winter Olympics. Small airports that do not have security screening are potentially affected by the requirement that all aircraft landing in Vancouver during a two month period surrounding the 2010 Winter Olympics must undergo specific security procedures prior to departure from their point of origin. The Bella Coola and Anahim Lake Airports are expected to be affected by this requirement, potentially placing considerable hardship on local air carriers and passengers.

09-05-04 M/S Directors Hyde/O'Neill that the Central Coast Regional District send a letter to the Premier, expressing concern about the potential impact of pending airport security requirements associated with the 2010 Winter Olympics.

CARRIED

(e) Airports - Denny Island Airport Commission – Brushing/Maintenance Contract

One tender was received in response to the Call for Tenders for a brushing and maintenance contract at the Denny Island Airport. The tender was higher than anticipated as a result of insurance requirements related to undertaking work at an active airport.

09-05-05 M/S Directors O’Neill/Hyde that the Denny Island Brushing/Maintenance contract be awarded to John Gerry, subject to approval by the Denny Island Airport Commission.

CARRIED

(f) Bella Coola Waterworks – Outstanding Water Tolls

09-05-06 M/S Directors Hyde/O’Neill that the regional district board of directors authorizes that water services be disconnected to those premises that have water toll charges outstanding, pursuant to Section 5 of Bylaw 282.

CARRIED

(g) Centennial Pool Commission – April 16, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Minutes were received from the April 16, 2009 meeting of the Centennial Pool Commission. The Commission has been advised that less funding from HRDC for staff positions at the pool has been approved this year.

The Pool Commission hopes to move forward with the installation of a new boiler this year. Funding assistance for this improvement has been made available through the CCRD’s Community Works Fund.

(h) Emergency Planning – EPC Monthly Report – April 2009

Stephen Waugh, Emergency Program Coordinator joined the meeting, joined by Provincial Emergency Program Northeast Regional Manager, Michael Higgins. Positive feedback was received on the recent CCRD Integrated Emergency Planning Workshop and PEP Emergency Planning Workshop for Elected Officials. Both workshops were attended by elected officials and staff of the Nuxalk, Heiltsuk and Wuikinuxv Nations, as well as the CCRD. Directors thanked EPC Waugh for his efforts in moving forward with these initiatives.

(i) Parks and Recreation – Denny Island Recreation Commission March 25, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Minutes were received from the March 25, 2009 Denny Island Recreation Commission meeting. Several individuals have put their names forward to volunteer for the important community organization.

09-05-07 M/S Directors O’Neill/Bolton that the following appointments to the Denny Island Recreation Commission be approved for 2009:

Crystal Anderson (Chair)	Fiona Greenwood
Janice Erickson	Ingmar Lee
Jared Cyr	Lawrence Erickson
Trika Pettersen	

CARRIED

(j) Success By 6 – April 2009 Monthly Report

The Success By 6 Monthly Report was received from Central Coast Success By 6 Coordinator, Susan Grigor. This month’s Report highlighted the *Dancing in the Light* Conference, a Council of Partners meeting and spoke to the need for planning in relation to Success By 6 Aboriginal Engagement funds.

09-05-08 M/S Directors O’Neill/Bolton that Local Governance items **(a)-(c), (g)-(h) and (j)** be received for information.

CARRIED

PART III– PUBLIC CONSULTATION

No delegations attended the meeting.

PART IV– GENERAL BUSINESS

(C) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(a) April 9, 2009 Regular Meeting

09-05-09 M/S Directors O’Neill/Bolton that the April 9, 2009 regular meeting minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

(b) April 21, 2009 Special Meeting

09-05-10 M/S Directors O’Neill/Bolton that the April 21, 2009 special meeting minutes be amended as follows and adopted:

(a) Emergency Planning – EMBC Building Canada/Flood Protection Program Application – Thorsen Creek Gravel Removal

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Director O’Neill expressed concern about the continuing need to address, *in collaboration with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure*, the bed load issues near the Highway 20 Bridge on Thorsen Creek. Directors agreed that progress toward long-term planning for gravel removal from Thorsen Creek is of high importance.

CARRIED

(D) GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Bella Coola Valley Museum Society – Request for Letter of Support

A request was received from the Bella Coola Valley Museum Society (BCVMS) for a letter in support of BCVMS’s application for funding to the BC Lottery Corporation Grants Program.

09-05-11 M/S Directors O’Neill/Hyde that a letter of support be written for the Bella Coola Valley Museum Society (BCVMS) to assist with that organization’s efforts to obtain funding through the BC Lottery Corporation Direct Access Grant Program.

CARRIED

(b) Cariboo-Chilcotin-Coast Tourism Association – Request for Letter of Support

A letter was received from the Cariboo-Chilcotin-Coast Tourism Association requesting support for the status quo of operations at the Williams Lake Airport. The information was not clear as to the issues and the board wished to receive the letter for information at this time.

(c) Municipal Finance Authority – MFA Program Dividends

A letter was received from the Municipal Finance Authority, outlining this year’s MFA Program dividends. A very small dividend was received by the Regional District.

(d) Province of British Columbia – GamesTown 2010

Information was received from the Province regarding the *Games Town 2010* program.

(e) Gas Tax/Public Transit Management Services – Acceleration of Community Works Funds Payments

Information was received from the Union of BC Municipalities Gas Tax/Public Transit Management Services, updating on the acceleration of Community Works Funds payments as part of the Government of Canada's commitment to stimulate the economy.

Directors discussed the constraints to accessing the Regional District's share of the Gas Tax. Directors would like to pursue a possible expansion of projects eligible for funding under the Gas Tax/Community Works Fund program and research will be undertaken to this end in advance of this year's UBCM Convention.

- (f) Federation of Canadian Municipalities – CMHC Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program**
- (g) Government Finance Officers Association – CMHC Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program**
- (h) Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Update on Federal Infrastructure Funding**

Information was received regarding federal infrastructure funding.

- (i) Union of BC Municipalities – Election Readiness Strategy**
- (j) Citizens for Choice in Health Care – Bill C-6, The Canadian Consumer Product Safety Act**
- (k) Ambulance Paramedics of British Columbia – Ambulance Paramedics of BC Local 873 Strike**
- (l) ROR Power – Proposed Bio-energy Developments**
- (m) Encorp Pacific – BC Bottle Depot Association**

Various correspondence items were received.

09-05-12 M/S Directors O'Neill/Hyde that General Correspondence items **(b)-(m)** be received.

CARRIED

(E) GENERAL REPORTS

- (a) Chair's Report**
 - (i) Coastal Community Network**

Chair Lande reported on activities of the Coastal Community Network regarding the Pacific North Coast Integrated Management Area (PNCIMA) initiative.

- (b) Administration Report – May 2009**

The monthly Administration Report updates on a number of issues, administrative in nature. This month's report includes updates on the CCRD's Invasive Plants Program implementation, AVICC resolution disposition, Parks and Recreation, a meeting with representatives of the Nuxalk Nation, activities of the Ocean Falls Economic Development Committee, the upcoming CCRD Strategic Planning session, and recent attendance at a provincial Treaty Dialogue event.

The announcement that the CCRD's new website is now "live" was welcomed by directors. The new website can be found at www.ccrd-bc.ca. Some work continues on the website and an article/announcement will be forthcoming in the Coast Mountain Newspaper.

09-05-13 M/S Directors O'Neill/Hyde that the General Reports be received.
CARRIED

(F) FINANCIAL REPORTS

(a) Accounts Payable Report – April 2009

09-05-14 M/S Directors O'Neill/Hyde that the payments of expenditures and commitments in the amount of ONE HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED SEVEN DOLLARS AND FIVE CENTS (\$104,807.05) as represented by cheques #13345 to #13376 for the month of April and issued pursuant to the Central Coast Regional District's policies and budgets for the year 2009, be approved and ratified.

CARRIED

RECESS

A recess was called at 12:05 pm.

RECONVENE

The meeting reconvened at 12:50 pm.

(A) ECONOMIC MATTERS Cont.

Economic Development Officer David Anderson rejoined the meeting. Following a review of a recently released recreational infrastructure funding program, EDO Anderson was of the view that the Valley Ridge Riders Rodeo Grounds Improvement Project was a good candidate for submission of an application.

09-05-15 M/S Directors O'Neill/Hyde:

WHEREAS the Bella Coola Valley Economic Development Operating Plan's Tourism Development Plan recommends Destination Development Infrastructure Improvements; and

WHEREAS the Bella Coola Valley Rodeo Grounds has been deemed critical community infrastructure;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Central Coast Regional District herewith fully supports and sanctions the submission of a funding proposal from the Bella Coola Valley Ridge Riders Horse Club to Western Economic Diversification Canada to assist with infrastructure improvements.

CARRIED

(G) REFERRALS FROM OTHER AGENCIES

- (a) ILMB Land File No. 1413311 – Application by Randy Brook et al for a License of Occupation in the vicinity of the Nooseseck River (Green Bay) Estuary for purposes of Cabin Rentals/Wilderness Retreat.**

A referral was received from the Integrated Land Management Bureau regarding an application for a License of Occupation in the vicinity of the Nooseseck River (Green Bay) Estuary for purposes of cabin rentals and a commercial wilderness retreat.

EDO Anderson spoke briefly to the application on behalf of Bella Coola Community Forest Ltd. There is a potential land use conflict as Bella Coola Community Forest has tenure in the Nooseseck River Valley.

09-05-16 M/S Directors O'Neill/Hyde that the Central Coast Regional District request an extension of time for further consideration of ILMB Land File No. 1413311.

CARRIED

(H) BYLAWS AND POLICIES

No bylaws or policies were considered.

(I) BUSINESS BY ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTOR

- (a) School District No. 49 (Central Coast) – Request for Letter of Support**

Director O'Neill advised directors that he had been contacted by SD No. 49 Board of Education Chair requesting a letter in support of the school district's re-submission of an

application to the Ministry of Education for funding to replace the Sir Alexander Mackenzie School gymnasium.

09-05-17 M/S Directors O’Neill/Hyde that letter be sent to the Ministry of Education, in support of the proposal from School District No. 49 (Central Coast) for funding to undertake the full replacement of the Sir Alexander Mackenzie School gymnasium.

CARRIED

(b) Bella Coola Town Site Ditching

Director Hyde enquired whether administrative staff were aware of any plans for cleaning out of ditches on the Bella Coola Townsite. The ditches are becoming overgrown with weeds and brush.

The Administrator will contact Interior Roads and inquire as to any plans to work on ditches in the Bella Coola Townsite.

(c) Lobelco Community Club – Application for Funding to Coast Sustainability Trust

Director O’Neill advised directors that the Lobelco Community Club was seeking funding to undertake repairs and painting of the exhibition building at the Fair Grounds. A Stage 1 application in the amount of \$20,000.00 has been submitted to the Coast Sustainability Trust.

Director O’Neill left the meeting, citing a conflict of interest.

Directors discussed whether to approve the application to Coast Sustainability Trust for improvements to the Lobelco Community Club exhibition building. In light of the upcoming strategic planning session and next year’s Economic Development funding shortfall, directors wished to defer consideration of the request until after the strategic planning session.

(J) MATTERS BROUGHT OUT OF CAMERA

The following item(s) were released from the in camera session:

09-05-18 M/S Directors O’Neill/Bolton that the resignation of Denny Island Airport Commissioner, Verne Epp, be accepted with regret, and a letter of thanks sent to Mr. Epp for his service.

CARRIED

09-05-19 M/S Directors O’Neill/Hyde that a letter be sent to the Ministry of Environment, requesting that they investigate the property located at 2459 Highway 20 for contamination of soil and water that might affect the water supply for neighboring properties.

CARRIED

(K) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25 pm.

Chair

Administrator