



CARIBOO REGIONAL DISTRICT

BOARD MINUTES

March 1, 2024

9:45 a.m.

Cariboo Regional District Board Room

Suite D - 180 Third Avenue North

Williams Lake, B.C.

PRESENT: Chair M. Wagner, Vice Chair M. Neufeld, Director M. Sjostrom, Director B. Bachmeier, Director J. Massier, Director S. Forseth, Director M. LeBourdais, Director A. Richmond, Director J. Glassford, Director T. Pare, Director B. Anderson, Director E. de Vries, Director E. Coleman, Director R. Paull, Director S. Rathor, Director M. Pinkney

GUESTS: Alternate Director C. Kurta, Gordon Keener, Manager – Treaty, X'atsull First Nation

STAFF: M. Daly, Chief Administrative Officer, A. Johnston, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CAO, K. Erickson, Chief Financial Officer, N. Whitehead, Manager of Planning Services, G. Pinchbeck, Manager of Communications, G. Hilliard, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Adoption of Agenda

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-1

Moved Director Paull

Seconded Director Sjostrom

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of the Cariboo Regional District Board Meeting - February 9, 2024

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-2

Moved Director Forseth

Seconded Director Massier

That the minutes of the Cariboo Regional District Board meeting held February 9, 2024, be adopted.

Carried

4. PLANNING BYLAWS FOR CONSIDERATION OF THIRD READING

4.1 Area A – BL 5446

Stakeholder Vote – Unweighted – All Electoral Areas

Hazard Road

District Lot 4958, Cariboo District, Except That Part Lying To The East of the Easterly Limit of Plan A173 and Except Plans A173, 6416 and 26734

From Resource/Agricultural (RA 1) zone to Rural 1 (RR 1) zone

(3360-20/20230045 – Select Seed Company Ltd.) (Agent: Brian Bennett)

Director Sjostrom

2024-3-3

Moved Director Sjostrom

Seconded Director Glassford

That Quesnel Fringe Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5446, 2023 be read a third time, this 1st day of March 2024.

Carried

4.2 Area A – BL 5448

Stakeholder Vote – Unweighted – All Electoral Areas

Jasper St.

Lot 7, District Lot 3965, Cariboo District, Plan 19896, Except Plan 28190

From Residential 2 (R 2) zone to Service Commercial (C 4) zone

(3360-20/20230039 – 0930230 BC Ltd.)

Director Sjostrom

2024-3-4

Moved Director Sjostrom

Seconded Director Massier

That Quesnel Fringe Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5448, 2023 be read a third time, this 1st day of March 2024

Carried

5. PLANNING BYLAWS FOR CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION

5.1 Area G – BL 5442 and 5443

Stakeholder Vote – Unweighted – All Electoral Areas

Adjacent to 4833 Telqua Drive

Lot A, District Lots 200, 783, 3552, 3553 and 3554, Lillooet District, Plan 32784,
Except Plan EPP37421

From Parks, Recreation and Open Space designation to 108 Mile Ranch

Residential designation

From Open Space, Parkland (OSP) zone to Special Exception Residential 1 (R 1-1)
zone

(3360-20/20230033 – Cariboo Regional District) (Agent: Cariboo Geographic
Systems – Nigel Hemingway)

Director Richmond

2024-3-5

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director LeBourdais

That South Cariboo Area Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 5442,
2023 be adopted this 1st day of March 2024.

Carried

2024-3-6

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director Glassford

That South Cariboo Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5443, 2023 be adopted this 1st day of March 2024.

Carried

6. AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION APPLICATIONS

6.1 Area A – ALRA20230064

Stakeholder Vote – Unweighted - All Electoral Areas

1387 Maple Dr.

Block A (Plan B5167), District Lot 3139, Cariboo District

(3015-20/A20230064 – Boat Lake Ventures Ltd.) (Agent: Lindsay Cutrell – Ultrawest Restorations)

Director Sjostrom

2024-3-7

Moved Director Sjostrom

Seconded Director Anderson

That the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission application for non-farm use, pertaining to Block A (Plan B5167), District Lot 3139, Cariboo District be authorized for submission to the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission, with a recommendation for approval, subject to rezoning.

Carried

6.2 Area G – ALRG20240002

Stakeholder Vote – Unweighted – All Electoral Areas

4202 Cariboo Hwy 97 S.

Block A of District Lot 2828, Lillooet District and Part of District Lot 2828 between Block A and D, Lillooet District

(3015-20/G20240002 – Cariboo Regional District) (Agent: Ted Olfert – Cariboo Regional District)

Director Richmond

2024-3-8

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director Forseth

That the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission application for non-farm use, pertaining to Block A of District Lot 2828, Lillooet District and Part of District Lot 2828 between Block A and D, Lillooet District be authorized for submission to the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission, with a recommendation for approval.

Carried

7. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES - OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Request from property owner for removal of covenant

Wade Balbirnie, the acting agent, spoke on behalf of the applicant.

Stakeholder Vote – Unweighted – All Electoral Areas

4072 Lac La Hache Station Road

Lot 1, District Lot 2866, Lillooet District, Plan 30570

(4600-20/2237 – Cariboo Resorts Ltd.) (Current Owner: 2 & 2 Holdings Ltd., Inc.

No. BC0775551) (Agent: Wade Balbirnie)

Director Richmond

2024-3-9

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director Forseth

That staff be directed to undertake public notice and facilitate a public information meeting, at the applicant's expense, with respect to the Board's consideration of amendment of covenant KM021341 on title of Lot 1, District Lot 2866, Lillooet District, Plan 30570.

Carried

7.2 TELUS Communications Tower – BC105335 – Chilanko Forks – Request for Concurrence

Brian Gregg from SitePath Consulting Ltd, acting agent, spoke to the project via telephone.

Stakeholder Vote – Unweighted – All Electoral Areas

2024-3-10

Moved Director Pare

Seconded Director LeBourdais

That the Board of Directors concurs with the TELUS proposal to construct a telecommunications tower BC105335, located on That Parcel or Tract of Land in the Vicinity of Hourglass Lake, Range 3, Coast District, Containing 4.002 Hectares, More or Less (Crown file 5408145). Further, that staff be instructed to advise TELUS that:

- The Cariboo Regional District is satisfied with TELUS's consultation process, as outlined in ISED's Default Public Consultation Process;
- That the proposed tower is a permitted use;
- The proposed design and location is acceptable;
- That the Cariboo Regional District has been consulted and concurs with the tower location.

Carried

7.3 UBCM Local Government Development Approvals Program 2024 Application

Stakeholder Vote – Weighted – All Electoral Areas

2024-3-11

Moved Director Forseth

Seconded Director Sjostrom

That staff be authorized to submit an application for project costs up to \$150,000 to the 2024 UBCM Local Government Development Approvals Program in support of the consolidation review of CRD zoning and rural land use bylaws.

Further, that staff be authorized to undertake all required grant management activities as necessary.

Carried

C. Ikoma, Planning Officer I, left the meeting.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 ALC Notice of Intent Requirements for Ancillary Residential Structures

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-12

Moved Director Forseth

Seconded Director Bachmeier

That the following resolution be referred for consideration at the upcoming North Central Local Government Association Convention and Annual General Meeting:

WHEREAS the ALC has unilaterally changed their interpretation of the ALC regulation, requiring a notice of intent for the import of soil or fill onto properties and its subsequent approval prior to construction of any detached ancillary residential structure;

AND WHEREAS local governments are prohibited from issuing building permits prior to receipt of such approvals, creating an unnecessary regulatory burden on both land owners, local governments, and ALC staff for structures which are regulated through size restrictions in local government zoning bylaws;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the North Central Local Government Association and Union of BC Municipalities call on the Agricultural Land Commission to cease requiring notices of intent to be made under section 20.3 of the Agricultural Land Commission Act for residential ancillary buildings and structures on lands in the Agricultural Land Reserve;

AND FURTHER THAT any future requirements conform clearly with the Agricultural Land Commission Act and enabling Regulations, and changes to requirements be done through legislative and regulatory amendments, not interpretive judgement.

Carried

8.2 AIS – Joint NCLGA Resolution with City of Williams Lake supporting Legislative Changes to permit Alkaline Hydrolysis Process

Corporate Vote – Unweighted

2024-3-13

Moved Director Rathor

Seconded Director Bachmeier

That the following resolution be co-sponsored with the City of Williams Lake, and be submitted for consideration at the North Central Local Government Association's 2024 annual general meeting:

WHEREAS Alkaline Hydrolysis Process funeral services present an opportunity to reduce the environmental impact of preparing and interring human remains by significantly reducing the amount of carbon dioxide emitted from burials and land use requirements for storing human remains;

AND WHEREAS the Cremation, Interment and Funeral Services Act does not permit Alkaline Hydrolysis as an acceptable process for preparing a deceased person's remains;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the North Central Local Government Association and Union of B.C. Municipalities call on the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier to prepare and introduce a bill in the Legislative Assembly of B.C. to amend the Cemetery, Interment and Funeral Services Act to allow the alkaline hydrolysis process as a permitted funeral service.

Carried

Director Rathor left the meeting.

9. FINANCE

9.1 Year-Round Grant for Assistance Application – Quesnel Prospectors Car Club

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-14

Moved Director Bachmeier

Seconded Director Sjostrom

That a Year-Round Grant for Assistance be approved for the Quesnel Prospectors Car Club in the amount of \$1,000 to support their annual Steak-Out Car Show Weekend event. Further, that the funds be authorized as follows:

Electoral Area A Grants for Assistance \$333.34

Electoral Area B Grants for Assistance \$333.33

Electoral Area I Grants for Assistance \$333.33

Carried

9.2 Year-Round Grant for Assistance Application – Williams Lake Cycling Club

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-15

Moved Director Neufeld

Seconded Director LeBourdais

That a Year-Round Grant for Assistance be approved for the Williams Lake Cycling Club in the amount of \$1,000 to support their first annual Women's Mountain Bike Festival. Further, that the funds be authorized as follows:

Electoral Area D Grants for Assistance \$333.33

Electoral Area E Grants for Assistance \$333.34

Electoral Area F Grants for Assistance \$333.33

Carried

D. Campbell, Manager of Community Services, joined the meeting.

Director Rathor returned to the meeting.

11. COMMITTEE/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 100 Mile House Curling Club Use and Occupancy Agreement Renewals

Corporate Vote - Weighted

2024-3-16

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director Pinkney

That the following recommendation from the South Cariboo Joint Committee meeting on February 12, 2024 be endorsed:

That the operating and occupancy agreements with the 100 Mile House Curling Club be renewed for a five-year term with the current conditions, including an annual fee of \$12,000 payable by the club and that the appropriate signatories be authorized to execute the agreements.

Carried

11.2 South Cariboo Recreation Centre Management

Stakeholder Vote - Weighted - Electoral Areas G, H L and District of 100 Mile House

2024-3-17

Moved Director de Vries

Seconded Director Pinkney

That the following recommendation from the South Cariboo Joint Committee meeting on February 12, 2024 be endorsed:

That a media release be issued regarding development of an agreement between the District of 100 Mile House and the Cariboo Regional District for management of the South Cariboo Recreation Centre to begin in April 2024.

Carried

11.3 North Cariboo Appointments for 2024

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-18

Moved Director Bachmeier

Seconded Director Massier

That the following recommendation from the North Cariboo Rural Directors Caucus meeting on February 13, 2024, be endorsed:

That the following be appointed:

- South-Central Regional Advisory Committee to UNBC/CNC - Director Sjostrom
- North Cariboo Air Quality Roundtable - Director Massier
- North Cariboo Seniors Council - Director Sjostrom
- Quesnel Housing Solutions Table - Director Bachmeier
- City of Quesnel Accessibility Committee - Director Sjostrom

Carried

11.4 South Cariboo Appointments for 2024

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-19

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director de Vries

That the following resolution from the South Cariboo Rural Directors Caucus meeting on February 12, 2024, be endorsed:

That Director Wagner be appointed to the South Cariboo Chamber of Commerce and Director Richmond be appointed to the South Cariboo Community Enhancement Foundation for 2024.

Carried

D. Campbell, Manager of Community Services, left the meeting.

12. BYLAWS FOR CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION

12.1 Barlow Creek Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 5462, 2024

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-20

Moved Director Massier

Seconded Director Bachmeier

That Barlow Creek Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 5462, 2024 be adopted, this 1st day of March 2024.

Carried

13. DIRECTORS' REQUESTS, REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS

13.1 Request for Letter of Support – Echen Healing Society

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-21

Moved Director Bachmeier

Seconded Director Richmond

Letter of support be provided to the Echen Health Society for their Telus Indigenous Communities Fund submission titled Empowering Indigenous Youth - Video Project on Mental Health and Substance Abuse Awareness.

Carried

13.2 Province of BC's Secondary Suite Incentive Program

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-22

Moved Director Forseth

Seconded Director Bachmeier

That a letter be forwarded to the Hon. Ravi Kahlon, BC Minister of Housing, requesting that discussions occur between the Cariboo Regional District and Ministry of Housing staff regarding Cariboo Regional District participation in the Province's "Secondary Suite Incentive Program" in those Electoral Areas that are in the Cariboo Regional District's Building Inspection service.

Carried

13.3 Request from Director Forseth to Access Electoral Area D Director Initiative Funds

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-23

Moved Director Forseth

Seconded Director Massier

That up to \$2,000 of Electoral Area D Director Initiative funds be authorized for Director Forseth to attend the 2024 "Keeping It Rural" conference in Kelowna, BC from May 21, 23, 2024.

Carried

13.4 Request for NCLGA Resolution on Action to Address Challenges Facing B.C.'s Rural Seniors

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-24

Moved Director Sjostrom

Seconded Director Bachmeier

That the following resolution be submitted to the North Central Local Government Association for consideration at its 2024 annual general meeting:

WHEREAS rural B.C. has a proportionately larger and faster growing seniors' population than urban B.C., yet has less infrastructure and resources to support its aging population;

AND WHEREAS a greater and more focused provincial response to ongoing concerns about inequities in services and supports for seniors in rural B.C. is required to address the inadequacies of current approaches to such issues;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the North Central Local Government Association and Union of B.C. Municipalities endorse the recommendations of the Office of the Seniors Advocate's report titled "Challenges Facing B.C.'s Rural Seniors" and dated February 2024, and calls on the Provincial Government to implement said recommendations;

AND FURTHER that the NCLGA and UBCM call on the Province of B.C. to begin doing so first by establishing a Ministry or Minister of State for rural B.C. in recognition of the geographic imbalance of regional representation in the Legislative Assembly.

Carried

2024-3-25

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director Forseth

That a resolution be submitted to the North Central Local Government Association's annual general meeting, requesting a review of the federal permitting process for personal cannabis production that does not require compliance with local government zoning, and enforcement of the permit parameters is not being undertaken.

Carried

13.5 Request from Director Bachmeier to Access Electoral Area B Director Initiative Funds

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-26

Moved Director Bachmeier

Seconded Director Forseth

That up to \$2,000 of Electoral Area B Director Initiative funds be authorized for Director Bachmeier to attend the 2024 "Keeping It Rural" conference in Kelowna, BC from May 21, 23, 2024.

Carried

13.6 Request from Director Richmond to Access Electoral Area G Director Initiative Funds

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-27

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director Anderson

That up to \$2,000 of Electoral Area G Director Initiative funds be authorized for Director Richmond to attend the 2024 "Keeping It Rural" conference in Kelowna, BC from May 21, 23, 2024.

Carried

The meeting recessed at 11:23 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

3. DELEGATIONS/GUESTS

3.1 11:30 Delegation - Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association

Patti Gerhardi, Destination & Experience Manager and Judith Call, Destination Experience for the Chilcotin and Outer Coast and Accessibility Manager from the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association, presented information regarding the Association's services.

The meeting recessed at 12:15 p.m.

Alternate Director Kurta left the meeting.

Director Forseth left the meeting.

The meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

14. DIRECTORS' ROUNDTABLE

The Directors may provide any brief updates at this time.

2024-3-28

Moved Director Neufeld

Seconded Director Massier

That the appointment of John Dressler to the Electoral Area E Advisory Planning Commission be rescinded.

Carried

2024-3-29

Moved Director Richmond

Seconded Director Sjostrom

That the appointment of Pat Corbett to the 108 Greenbelt Association be rescinded.

Carried

2024-3-30

Moved Director Massier

Seconded Director Bachmeier

That James Evans be appointed to the Heritage Committee.

Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

2024-3-31

Moved Director Rathor

Seconded Director LeBourdais

That the meeting of Cariboo Regional District Board be adjourned at 1:48 p.m. March 1, 2024.

Carried

Chair

Manager of Corporate Services