

STUART-NECHAKO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018

PRESENT: Chairperson Jerry Petersen

Directors Chris Beach
Eileen Benedict
Tom Greenaway
Dwayne Lindstrom
Bill Miller
Mark Parker
Gerry Thiessen

Directors Thomas Liversidge, Village of Granisle
Absent Rob MacDougall, District of Fort St. James

Staff Melany de Weerdt, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Petersen called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Beach
Seconded by Director Miller

SNRHD.2018-2-1

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Agenda of January 25, 2018 be approved.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Stuart-Nechako Regional
Hospital District Meeting
Minutes January 11, 2018

Moved by Director Beach
Seconded by Director Parker

SNRHD.2018-2-2

“That the minutes of the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District meeting of December 14, 2017 be adopted.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT

2018 Budget for 1st and
2nd Reading

Moved by Director Miller
Seconded by Director Greenaway

SNRHD.2018-2-3

“That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the Treasurer’s memo titled “2018 Budget for 1st and 2nd Reading”; and further, that the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital Board of Directors give Bylaw 65 1st and 2nd reading further in the agenda.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

North West Regional Hospital District Meeting Minutes -November 24, 2017 Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Beach

SNRHD.2018-2-4 “That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors receive the North West Regional Hospital District Meeting Minutes of November 24, 2017.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW

Bylaw for First and Second Reading

No. 65 – SNRHD Annual Budget Bylaw Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Parker

SNRDH.2018-2-5 “That “Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Annual Budget Bylaw No. 65, 2018” be given first and second reading this 25th day of January, 2018.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Fort St. James Primary Care Facility Melany de Weerd, CAO provided an update in regard to the Fort St. James Primary Care Facility. A draft media release was forwarded to staff this morning from Northern Health to move forward as soon as the agreement has been signed.

Northern Health has indicated that the proposed move in date for the Fort St. James Primary Care Facility will be Spring, 2019.

Ms. de Weerd noted that at Northern Health’s meeting scheduled for February 2, 2018 an update will be provided in regard to the facility. Chair Petersen mentioned that at the November 30, 2017 meeting Northern Health had indicated they would schedule a follow-up meeting in January, 2018 to discuss the Fort St. James Primary Care Facility.

Fort St. James Primary Care Facility Meeting Request Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Beach

SNRHD.2018-2-6 “That the Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors write a letter to Northern Health requesting that a follow-up meeting to the November 30, 2017 Stuart Lake Hospital Replacement meeting be scheduled in the near future.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)

Burns Lake Medical Professionals Dinner

Director Beach mentioned that in December, 2017 Burns Lake hosted a medical professional's dinner to provide an opportunity for local medical professionals to network and connect with local community members. Approximately 20 people attended and it was a good event. He also spent New Year's Eve with one of the new doctors and his family. Director Beach will be attending a dinner with the Chief of Staff of the Lakes District Hospital and Health Centre tonight. He commented that Burns Lake is working to connect doctors and medical professionals to the community to encourage retention in the community similar to the work that Director Thiessen has done in the District of Vanderhoof.

Seniors Care Facility -District of Vanderhoof

Director Thiessen noted that the District of Vanderhoof has been working with physicians and Nechako Valley Community Services (NVCS) to develop a seniors care facility to free up acute care beds in the hospital similar to a pilot project being conducted in New Brunswick, Canada. A meeting has been scheduled for February 6, 2018 with Northern Health and NVCS to find a facility. Director Thiessen spoke of the facility needing to be located in the core of the community in order to have access to community amenities.

Director Greenaway noted that Fort St. James is experiencing similar situations and there is a facility (decommissioned school) that could possibly be used for a seniors facility.

Meeting with College of New Caledonia RE: Care Worker Education Programs

Director Thiessen mentioned that he has met with the College of New Caledonia in regard to the need for more Care Worker Education Programs that can be offered as an evening course or be more flexible for individuals wanting to take the course but need to retain employment. He expressed frustration in regard to universities in other areas of the Province being able to offer the flexibility to take the courses in the evenings but CNC and the University of Northern B.C. not offering the same flexibility.

Receipt of Verbal Reports

Moved by Director Beach
Seconded by Director Miller

SNRHD-2018-2-7

"That the verbal reports of the various Stuart-Nechako Regional Hospital District Board of Directors be received."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Beach
Seconded by Director Greenaway

SNRHD.2018-2-8

"That the meeting be adjourned at 10:21 a.m."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY