



The Region of BC's Best

The Current



Highlights from the Thompson-Nicola Regional District Board of Directors' Meeting of May 17, 2018

Mayor of 100 Mile House Gives Thanks, Presents Plaque

Acting Mayor Bill Hadden of the District of 100 Mile House appeared before the Board to thank the TNRD and its residents for their assistance to his community during the 2017 wildfire season. He also presented a commemorative picture to the Board as a token of appreciation.

Public-Assent Processes Given Green Light

After information meetings were held in Little Fort, Loon Lake, McLure, South Green Lake and Tobiano, and after sufficient support was secured through a straw poll of attendees, the Board approved public-assent processes to establish Fire Protection Service Areas in those communities. If successful, the volunteer fire departments in those communities will become TNRD-administrated volunteer fire departments.

The Board also approved the allocation of \$20,000 from the proposed function reserve to conduct public-assent opportunities for the proposed fire protection service areas in those communities.

Loon Lake, McLure and South Green Lake will conduct their public-assent processes via referendums, while Little Fort and Tobiano will conduct theirs through petitions. The board had already given third reading to Fire Protection Service Area Establishment Bylaws for Loon Lake, McLure and South Green Lake at the April 19 Board meeting. The bylaws were then sent to the Inspector of Municipalities, who gave approval for adoption pending the results of the referendums.

Approval from the Inspector of Municipalities is not required for the petition processes in Little Fort and Tobiano.

The referendums will take place June 23. Petitions will be distributed to property owners within the proposed fire protection service areas at community meetings or by mail. The deadline to return the petitions is noon on July 6.

There will also be opportunities for mail-in voting and early voting. For complete information about the referendums, go to www.tnrd.ca

Biosolids Workshop Planned

The Board approved the allocation of an estimated \$25,000 from the General Administration Reserve to fund a Biosolids Management and Disposal Options Workshop. It will held in Kamloops on July 20.

The workshop sprung from a Board of Directors resolution at the April 19 meeting directing staff to organize an educational workshop on alternative biosolids management. Council members and senior staff from the TNRD's member municipalities will be invited to attend the workshop.

The topics covered will include:

- Status update on the province's changes to the Organic Matter Recycling Regulation
- Examination of the broader regional and global perspective with regards to biosolids disposal

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Regular Board Meeting — Thursday, June 14, 1:15 p.m.

Policy Committee — Thursday, June 14, 10 a.m.

Committee of the Whole — Friday, June 15, 9 a.m.



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- A look at the evolution, economics and risks of various technologies (esp. thermal disposal options)

Directors Remuneration Report Released

The TNRD Director and Committee Member Remuneration and Expense Report for 2017 (also known as the SOFI report) was reviewed and accepted by the Board. The 2017 SOFI report is available for reading at www.tnrd.ca

Board Approves Beer Garden for Blue River Community Park Event

The Blue River Community Association was given approval by the Board to host a beer garden as part of the group's Community Welcome to Summer BBQ, which takes place on May 26, at the Blue River Community Park at Eleanor Lake.

Because the park is owned by the TNRD, the approval comes with the following requirements:

- The Association must meet or exceed all requirements of the TNRD's Special Event Permit.
- The Association must complete the Thompson Headwaters Park Use Application.
- The Association must meet the Commercial General Liability requirements of \$3,000,000, with the TNRD being identified as an additional insured.
- The consumption of alcoholic beverages must be restricted to a specified area of the park, with a clearly marked perimeter and one controlled access point.
- No glass containers are permitted to be served.
- All garbage generated must be removed from the park by the Association.

New Mobile Library

Design 'Wrap' Wins Award

Chair John Ranta shared news with the Board about the new Thompson-Nicola Regional Library Mobile Library. The exterior 'wrap', designed by Fresh Inc., recently won a Platinum Hermes Creative Award. "Let your imagination run wild" was the theme of the artwork, which featured artwork inspired by the landscape and animals of the TNRD. The Board Directors toured the new Mobile Library before the Board meeting.

Gas Tax Funds Approved for Lytton Pool, Green Lake Snowmobile Clubhouse

The Board approved the expenditure to a maximum of \$24,000 from Federal Gas Tax Revenues -Community Works Fund, allocated to Electoral Area "I" (Blue Sky Country), to fund the installation of solar hot water panels at the Village of Lytton pool.

Because propane costs make up a significant portion of the annual operating expenditures for the pool, the installation of solar hot water panels are expected to reduce annual operating costs.

Also approved was the expenditure to a maximum of \$17,000 from Federal Gas Tax Revenues -Community Works Fund component, allocated to Electoral Area "E" (Bonaparte Plateau), for energy efficiency upgrades at the Green Lake Snowmobile Clubhouse.

This includes the installation of a natural gas line to eliminate the need for propane, replacement of doors and windows and the installation of a natural gas furnace.