

WEST QUESNEL LAND STABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

7:00 pm

Advisory Committee: Marty Put, Heinz Loelke, Archie Hlady, Cynthia Bernier, Dalton Hooker, Andrianna Joyal, Mel Dunleavey
Staff: Jack Marsh, Carol Anderson

Acting Chair D. Hooker called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. D. Hooker added a correspondence item to the Agenda – a letter from Dwain Sauve to the Solicitor General Rich Coleman and Coleman’s reply.

1 Adoption of Minutes

MOVED M. Put, Seconded A. Joyal and resolved: THAT the minutes from the meeting held on March 17, 2005 be adopted.

CARRIED

2 Business Arising from previous Minutes

(a) Update on Public Information Program

- (i) presentations – J. Marsh reviewed the Community Groups and Stakeholders list – noted that the next meeting scheduled is with the Rotary Club on June 16 – need to follow up on the letters recently sent out.

D. Hooker gave a brief review of the meeting with the realtors – there were approximately 20 – 25 realtors present and there was some discussion on when the funding would be forthcoming – discussion on funding from provincial government only (not federal government) - realtor Claudia Holland stated that it would be beneficial to the realtors to have some solid information on the progress of the study and the funding so they could pass that along to potential clients.

Item No. 3 (d) was discussed at this time – the letters from A. Hlady and the letter from the realtors – A. Hlady suggested that possibly ½ of Quesnel’s realtors support the letter from Claudia Holland and others.

- (ii) distribution of Action Kits – C. Anderson noted that there had been some contact as a result of the Q City News.
- (iii) display kits – have been distributed to City Hall, Arena and Rec Centre.
- (iv) Community Action Committee – discussion on their role – they will be an extension of this group and used for legwork – discussion on long term use and suggestions included petitioning, door to door canvassing, distributing kits, picketing, and accompany group to Victoria if necessary.
- (v) letter writing campaign with Correlieu – C. Bernier suggested that she arrange for our techs to do a presentation to the students.
- (vi) advertising in the “Coffee Break” – contact is Natasha Wasmuth – discussion on advertising which is \$200/month for approximately 1/16 of a page – no decision made.

- (b) **New Logo** – copy was distributed.

3 New Business

- (a) **WQLS Program Work Schedule and progress report**

- (i) drainage plan – J. Marsh referred to the map to show the plan – the complete drainage plan is estimated at approximately \$5.5 million.
- (ii) installation of slope inclinometer bore holes – discussion on location of bore holes - Pinchbeck (between Purmal and Pentland), Patchett (sw corner of Uplands Park), Picard (east and west ends), Dawson and Abbott intersection, and Lewis (in laneway beside Sikh Temple)

- (b) **Conference call with Deputy Ministers**

- (i) follow up letter to Gerry Armstrong – discussed – original plan was to give a personal presentation to the Deputy Ministers – J. Marsh noted that the official application for funding package will be personally delivered the week of May 9 – there was some discussion on Terasen’s involvement – need to research history on work previously done by Terasen and other utilities.

- (c) **Uplands tree planting project** – discussed Urban Forest Committee’s notes and upcoming “tree distribution” event – will include information on where and what to plant – could use Community Action Committee for this.

- (d) **Correspondence** - (i) letter from A. Hlady, (ii) letter from Realtors – discussed in 2 (a) (i) above.

ADDITIONAL ITEM – letter from resident Dwain Sauve on December 11, 2004 to Deputy Ministers and reply from Solicitor General Rich Coleman on April 6, 2005 distributed. Discussion on Coleman’s letter – needs a response.

MOVED D. Hooker, Seconded C. Bernier and resolved: THAT this Committee direct the City to respond to the letter sent to Dwain Sauve by Solicitor General Rich Coleman and include reference to the North Vancouver and Kamloops situations together with a copy of the latest Q City News. AND THAT a copy of this letter with enclosures be sent to Deputy Minister Tony Heemskerck and Cariboo-Prince George MP Dick Harris.

CARRIED

4 Other

Advertising - suggest to Dan Rogers to change the ad slightly – to catch readers attention.

J. Marsh and Ken Coombs to call paper and do an article on lawn watering – J. Marsh noted that usual “water restrictions” (sprinkling) ad will be going out early May.

C. Anderson to email members when AMEC’s new report is on the website.

5 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

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cc: Maureen Murray, Deputy Clerk