



April 21, 2016

APRIL 21 BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

RDDFG planning for 50th Anniversary; Upgrades planned for Shell-Glen Fire Hall; Hotel Tax increase supported

RDDFG planning for 50th Anniversary

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George will turn 50 in 2017. The Board agreed to strike a Select Committee to explore ways the Regional District could celebrate the anniversary. The Select Committee will oversee planning and provide advice to the Board on matters related to the anniversary.

Upgrades planned for Shell-Glen Fire Hall

The Board approved funding of up to \$21,000 for energy efficient upgrades to the Shell-Glen Volunteer Fire/Rescue Hall. The funding comes from the Community Works Fund and will go to replace some lighting, attic insulation and windows and doors with more energy efficient options.

Hotel Tax increase supported

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George will provide a letter of support to Tourism Prince George for its application to increase the current Municipal and Regional District Hotel Room Tax (MRDT) from 2% to 3%. The increase will provide Tourism Prince George with additional funding needed to expand tourism marketing efforts for the Prince George area. If approved by the Province of BC, the increase would take effect July 1, 2017.

Community Grants

The Board approved the following requests for Community and Recreation Grants:

- \$1350 to the Nukko Lake Recreation Commission for insurance and community Easter party
- \$4500 to the Pilot Mountain Recreation Commission for insurance, programs and events
- \$10,000 to the Pineview Volunteer Fire Fighters Association for SCBA cylinders
- \$7000 to the Tabor Lake Recreation Commission for playground equipment, insurance, park maintenance and improvements
- \$5000 to the Longworth Recreation Commission for community hall maintenance and propane tank barrier pillars
- \$5500 to the Cariboo-Ferndale Community Association for insurance, programs and events
- \$1500 to the Tabor Lake Recreation Commission for insurance, park maintenance and improvements
- \$4500 to the Willow River Recreation Association for insurance, utilities and maintenance

A grant totaling \$22,850 was provided to the Northwest Invasive Plant Council. All seven electoral areas contributed to the grant.

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