

Healthy Watersheds Committee

September 19, 2018 - Meeting Minutes

Present: Mayor Fortin, Councillor Schierbeck, Chris King, Cory Sutton, Darlene Romanko, Mark Meisner, Stephanie Paul (arrived at 3:16)

Regrets: Larry Swartz

Staff Support: Joe Mitchell

Guest: Don Dobson

Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Fortin at 3 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Darlene Romanko that the agenda dated September 19 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Adoption of the Minutes

Moved by Darlene Romanko that the minutes of July 3 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

It was requested by Mark Meisner that the committee receive the minutes sooner after a meeting.

Don Dobson, Engineer, Dobson Engineering

Don Dobson is a professional Engineer from Dobson Engineering with 47 years experience working with The Federal, Provincial and Municipal Governments, working with Environmental protection and impact on watersheds. Peachland has two watersheds, Trepanier and Peachland Creek.

Mr. Dobson stated that Logging has been going on in The Peachland Watersheds for in excess of 50 years and that the lands recover at the rate of 2-5% per year. Full recovery is considered when the trees are 12 to 20 meters in height. Water suppliers are required to supply safe, clean drinking water and it is controlled by Interior Health in Peachland. Recreational use of The Watershed is causing the greatest impact. Other impacts on the water quality are Agriculture logging, recreation, Fire and mining.

Peachland has had a great relationship with mining, Peachland's abundant water supply is due to the dam on Peachland Lake, built by Brenda Mines and turned over to Peachland for a dollar.

MOVED by Mark Meisner

That the Healthy Watersheds Committee recommend that Council direct staff to respond to the BCTS forestry road referral dated August 7, 2018 (File 18046-30/BCTS FSP 2006) that the District of Peachland and it's Healthy Watersheds Committee requires a copy of the Watershed Assessment Report

completed by Tolko Industries (and other regional forestry companies including BC Timber Sales) prior to responding to the referral. Was it carried?

MOVED by Mark Meisner to receive the Dobson Report.

CARRIED.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Schierbeck that the meeting be adjourned at 5 pm.

CARRIED.

Next Meeting is Scheduled for November 21 at 3 p.m. in Council Chambers

Certified Correct:

Chair

Corporate Officer

Date at Peachland, BC

This__day of _____,2018