

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

**MINUTES OF THE AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011
IN THE RDN COMMITTEE ROOM**

Present:

Director J. Burnett	Chairperson
A. Benson	Representative (South)
J. McLeod	Representative (South)
A. Brown	Representative (North)
R. Thompson	Representative (North)
C. Springford	Representative (North)

Also in Attendance:

D. Lindsay	Manager of Current Planning
L. Rowett	Planner
Wayne Haddow	BC Ministry of Agriculture
Ione Smith	Representing Upland Consulting
Andrea Lawseth	Representing Upland Consulting

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm.

DELEGATIONS

Ione Smith & Andrew Lawseth, Upland Consulting introduced their consulting team to the Committee, and gave a presentation on their work plan and timeline for public consultation re the RDN Agricultural Area Plan project. The consultants also presented the preliminary results of their Level 1 Land Use Inventory for the RDN Agricultural Area Plan.

Following the presentation the Committee discussed key stakeholders and community events that should be considered to be included in the Plan project. The consultants asked the Committee members to provide a shortlist of stakeholders, and to indicate if they could attend events as spokespeople for the project.

MINUTES

The minutes from the previous meeting were not in order to be received by the Committee. The Chair directed staff to bring the minutes to the next meeting to be received.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Staff provided an update to the Committee re detailed Level 2 Land Use Inventory and Water Demand Model, which is to be conducted by the BC Ministry of Agriculture, in 2012, for the Agricultural Area Plan project.

COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

No communications or correspondence items were received.

REPORTS

No reports were received.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 pm.

CHAIRPERSON