

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

**MINUTES OF THE NANAIMO REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT SELECT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2015 AT 5:00 PM IN THE
RDN COMMITTEE ROOM**

In Attendance:

Director W. Pratt	Chairperson
Director A. McPherson	Electoral Area A
Director J. Stanhope	Electoral Area G
Director I. Thorpe	City of Nanaimo
Director M. Lefebvre	City of Parksville
Director T. Westbroek	Town of Qualicum Beach

Also in Attendance:

Director B. Veenhof	Electoral Area H
P. Thorkelsson	Chief Administrative Officer
J. Harrison	Director of Corporate Services
W. Idema	Director of Finance
C. Golding	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order.

DELEGATION

Cecil Rhodes, Corporate Director, Facilities Operations, Suzanne Fox, Executive Director, Geography 2 & IHealth, Dr. Drew Digney, Executive Medical Director, Geography 2, Chris Sullivan, Director, Capital Planning.

Island Health staff provided the following updates:

Due to bundling of imaging equipment purchases and cost-sharing with the District Hospital Foundation, two CT scanners instead of one can be purchased. A request for reallocation of 2013/14 funds for minor capital projects totaling \$170,000 and Capital Equipment purchases totaling \$213,928 was presented.

An update on the Unit dose Medication Distribution/Pharmacy Upgrade project was provided. Cost is estimated at \$4.6 million, decreased from the original \$5.4 million. The NRHD 40% share = \$1.86 million.

Confirmation of 40% cost-sharing of the funding for the 12.5 million for the Electrical Energy Plant was requested.

The NRHD Board previously indicated support for a conventional gas/fuel boiler in May 2015. Island Health staff and the Province are planning to move forward with a Hybrid Biomass Energy Plant in future and are requesting 40% funding from the NRHD up to the \$12.5 million estimated cost of a conventional system to be used towards the cost of a Hybrid Biomass plant. Island Health and the Province would cover 100% of the difference in costs associated with this project.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Select Committee meeting held Tuesday, April 28, 2015.

MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director McPherson, that the minutes of the Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Select Committee meeting held Tuesday, April 28, 2015, be adopted.

CARRIED

REPORTS

Island Health Funding Requests and Project Updates.

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Stanhope, that the report on Island Health project updates and funding requests be received for information.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the reallocation of \$383,928 in 2013/14 annual capital grant funding to revised priority projects and equipment purchases and that the updated plan for the purchase of two CT Scanners using 2014/15 NRHD funding be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the updated project cost information for the Unit Dose Medication Distribution/Pharmacy upgrade project be received for information and approved at the lower funding level amount of \$1.86 million.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Thorpe, that Nanaimo Regional Hospital District capital funding for the Electrical Energy Plant Redevelopment at the Nanaimo Regional General Hospital up to the requested \$5 million be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Thorpe, that this matter be referred to staff to obtain further information from Island Health regarding the Energy Plant Upgrade Project including information about air quality impacts, natural gas rates used for the operational cost savings estimates, greenhouse gas reduction calculations and impacts to the hospital community as a result of trucks hauling hog fuel into the area and ash out:

That future capital funding up to the requested \$5 million for the Boiler Plant Replacement at Nanaimo Regional General Hospital be approved at an amount equivalent to the 40% share of the cost of a conventional gas/fuel boiler be approved.

CARRIED

Nanaimo Regional Hospital District 2016 Preliminary Budget.

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Thorpe, that a 2016 Regional Hospital District Provisional Budget be approved with the following components:

Property tax requisition	\$	6,984,190
Capital grant allowance	\$	3,444,055

CARRIED

MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Thorpe, that the 2016 to 2020 five year projections be received for information.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that "Nanaimo Regional Hospital District (Nanaimo Regional General Hospital Electrical Energy Plant Redevelopment) Borrowing Bylaw No. 161, 2015", be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that "Nanaimo Regional Hospital District (Nanaimo Regional General Hospital Electrical Energy Plant Redevelopment) Borrowing Bylaw No. 161, 2015", be adopted.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Hospital Area Development Planning.

In response to a request from the City of Nanaimo for a NRHD participant in the hospital area community planning process, Geoff Garbutt, General Manager, Strategic & Community Development, was appointed by the Committee to attend the meetings and update the Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Select Committee members as needed.

Reserve Funds.

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director McPherson, that staff prepare a report outlining cost implications of increasing reserve funds over the next 10 years to ensure funding is available to provide 10% of the NRHD's share for a significant project such as a patient tower in future.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Stanhope, that this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

TIME: 5:55 PM

CHAIRPERSON

CORPORATE OFFICER