# Site C Clean Energy Project

# Regional Community Liaison Committee Meeting

Meeting Summary
June 7, 2023, 10:00 to 3:30 pm MST/PDT
Meeting and Tour

ATTENDEES  Regional Community Liaison Committee Members	Mayor Lilia Hansen, City of Fort St. John Mayor Darcy Dober, Dawson Creek Mayor Allan Courtoreille, District of Chetwynd Director Jordon Kealy, Area B, Peace River Regional District Director Dan Rose, Area E, Peace River Regional District Director Leonard Hiebert, Area D, Chair, Peace River Regional District Margaret McDonald, McLeod Lake Indian Band Milo MacDonald, Fort St. John Tashana Winnicky, Hudson's Hope Kevin Henderson, Dawson Creek Carmen Brooks, BC Hydro
INVITED	Shanna Mason, BC Hydro Bob Gammer, BC Hydro (RCLC Chair) Dave Hunter, BC Hydro Jerry Muir, BC Hydro Ben Rauscher, BC Hydro Chris Waite, BC Hydro Kate O'Neil, BC Hydro Wendy Laluk, BC Hydro Brian Hussain, ATCO
GUESTS	
ATTENDED	
ABSENT WITH REGRET	Mayor Brent Taillefer, District of Taylor Councillor Betty Ponto, District of Taylor Jennifer McCracken, Lands & Resources Manager, Doig River First Nation Milo MacDonald, CAO, City of Fort St. John Mokles Rahman, CAO, District of Hudson's Hope Naiomi McKinnon, McLeod Lake Indian Band Stephanie Rocheleau, Land & Stewardship Director, McLeod Lake Indian Band Dan Davies, MLA, Peace River North Tamara Wilkinson, Constituency Assistant, Peace River North Mike Bernier, MLA, Peace River South

Lisa Ward, Constituency Assistant, Peace River South

Councillor Raymond Johnston, Village of Pouce Coupe

Aleen Torraville, Interim CAO, District of Tumbler Ridge

Steve McLain, CAO, District of Chetwynd

Chief Justin Napoleon, Saulteau First Nations

Shawn Dahlen, CAO, Peace River Regional District

Jim Morgan, ATCO

Troy Van Bostelen, AFDE

Jamie Bodnarchuk, PRHP

Adriana DaCosta, MOTI

Moira Green, CAO, District of Taylor

Patricia, Blueberry River First Nations

## **Documents Distributed for the March meeting:**

**RCLC Meeting Agenda** 

RCLC Action Item log

RCLC Q1 Business Report

RCLC March 8, 2023 Meeting Notes

# Opening / Welcome

- Bob welcomed all attendees.
- Round table introductions and acknowledgment of traditional territories.

## **Review of Agenda & Action Items**

Bob reviewed the agenda.

Action item update.

COMPLETE: 2023-001 Carmen Brooks to provide more information regarding ATCO Lodge decommissioning at the June 7 RCLC meeting.

#### **BC Hydro Project Update**

# ATCO Lodge tour and decommissioning update (Carmen Brooks)

Carmen discussed the steps to decommission Two Rivers Lodge, which will be facilitated by Colliers (Real estate consultants)

- Dan Rose: Will Colliers give preference to companies in the northeast and the Northern Rockies?
  - Shanna: The big task for Colliers is creating the list of assets and communicate the list and condition of the assets. Transportation costs will be a concern, the further from site an asset must be moved, the less the asset is worth. It will be up to any future purchasers to develop their own business cases and determine if it is worth their expenditures. As such the further the transport, likely the great the cost to the third party.
- Mayor Dober: Is there an option to keep the assets on site?

- Carmen: Yes, that is an option as BC Hydro owns the land. This would require a leasing arrangement between BC Hydro and the third party. A decision on the fate of the camp structures will be made this calendar year. The decision will be made by BC Hydro and ATCO. If there is no interest from a third party(ies) on any or all of the assets, they will be left to ATCO to dispose of under their contract.
- Dan Rose: Has a decision been made on the benefits of before moving. Will it be deconstructed?
  - Shanna: BC Hydro has budgeted for decommissioning. If dismantling in order for a third
    party to pick up the components would cost less than or equal to the budgeted amount,
    it's likely BC Hydro would cover those costs. A third party would have to cover the costs
    of loading, moving assets and reassembling the assets for their purposes.
- Jordon Kealy: Will there be a separate process for non-profit groups?
  - Carmen: Interest from non-profits would not be constrained, but any decisions would be based on cost.
  - Shanna: I would think that third parties would have to present a business case to their Boards for approval. There are many ideas such as senior housing, social housing; most conversations revolve around non-profit groups. Regardless of who is the third party, they will need to bare the associated costs of repurposing. Colliers will be taking the time to talk to organizations to ensure they are aware of the assets, their condition and timing of availability..
- Tashana Winncky: How does the decommissioning process work?
  - Brian (ATCO): A lot of reclamation would take place, materials pulled apart and sorted.
     Anything that can be reclaimed will be used on other projects or sold, the rest would go to a landfill.

#### Off-Site Construction

Katrina Kelly provided an update on off-site activities.

#### Job and Business Update

Kate O'Neil presented the jobs and business update.

- Mayor Courtoreille asked if the number of workers will increase as the weather improves?
  - BC Hydro confirmed that this will be the busiest year for construction and employment numbers will climb. The camp will be at capacity.

#### **Site Tour**

Bob Gammer led the site tour.

- Chris Waite provided an overall site update.
- Dave Hunter provided details on the diversion tunnel conversion and temporary fish passage.
- Murray Gray provided a tour of the powerhouse.

## **Next Steps & Closing**

The next meeting will be in person on September 13, 2023.

POST-MEETING NOTE: A decision was made later to hold a virtual meeting instead on September 13.