

DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE
RESOURCE PLANNING POLICY MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2007 AT 1:30 P.M.

Present **Council:** Mayor Harwood; Councillors Anderson, Webster, Johansson, Kosolowsky and Johnson
 Staff: Carolyn Bonnicks, Administrator; and Becky Pringle, Deputy Clerk
 Others: J. Kinahan, M. Brereton, and C. Stacey

RESOURCE PLANNING POLICY

Council and the Administrator reviewed the Resource Policy to determine which sections needed to be incorporated into bylaws and which information should be left in the guidelines as a "wish list". The following were key points discussed:

- that section 5.6 of the OCP be changed from the heading "Oil and Gas Exploration" to an appropriate heading that will include all industries;
- excerpts from other supporting documents be attached to the Resource Policy when given to industries;
- the OCP Section 5.6 should be attached to the guidelines as it deals with quality of life, healthy environment standards, protection of the communities well being and hiring locally;
- the power line right of way number to be inserted is 0332151;
- need to find out if there is a legal definition of "high water mark" or if the reference needs to be reworded;
- find out the already protected areas of the Peace River area;
- a new blasting bylaw will need to be developed;
- add a paragraph to the OCP that the provincial ministries notify individual stakeholders when new tenures have been requested;
- need a extraordinary traffic bylaw to deal with heavy industrial use on municipal roads and load restrictions;
- truck route bylaw;
- road right-of-ways standards and regulations for roads on crown land;
- seismic notification requirements and clean-up;
- returning road right-of-ways back to original state;
- surface water disposal;
- include reference to Minister Neufeld's promise of well spacing requirements which are still not part of the legislation;
- research the District's ability to turn off the commercial water stand if there were a water shortage;

Council discussed whether the District should be responsible for notifying companies when changes are made to the policy. The Administrator advised that she would not want the District to take responsibility to notify every company as staff would not know exactly who was working in the municipality at all times. They discussed posting changes on the website, and having a contact form for companies to fill out when they first pick up the Resource Policy. Council also discussed having a meeting for the public to make comments and suggestions on the policy. The Administrator advised that the revised policy would be brought forward at the August 13, 2007 Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Certified Correct:

Clerk

Mayor