

Agenda Village of Nampa Council Meeting

Village of Nampa Council Chambers 7:00 p.m.

- 1. Call the meeting to order
- 2. Adoption of the agenda
- 3. Adoption of Previous Minutes
 - 3.1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held December 20, 2022
- 4. Business Arising out of the Minutes

4.1

5 New Business

- 5.1 Joint Meeting with PRSD Board of Trustees, February 1, 2023 *RSVP Required
- 5.2 Marie Dyck, Nampa Daycare Update
- 5.3 PREDA NTAB Letter of Financial Support & Railway Advocacy Letter to Municipal Letters
- 5.4 RFD: Marie Dyck, President, Nampa & District Daycare Society, January 11, 2023, RE: Letter of Support Request & Donation for Daycare Society
- 5.5 Growing the North Conference February 22-23, 2023 in Grande Prairie, AB.

6 Reports

- 6.1a Cheque Listing for Council # 20220525-2023017 Dec 19, 2022 Jan 10, 2023
- 6.1b November 2022 Bank Rec
- 6.2 CAO Report
- 6.3 Public Works Report
- 6.4 Mayor/Deputy Mayor/Councillor Reports & Upcoming Meetings

7. Correspondence

- 7.1 Sandra Eastman, Chair, MMSA December 19, 2022 RE: Discontinuance of Winter Air Ambulance Services
- 7.2 Tammy Brauer, MPTA, January 9, 2023 RE: Executive Director Report, November 21, 2022 Board Meeting DRAFT Minutes, January 16, 2023 Agenda, Board Financials YTD 2022
- 8. Closed Session
- 9 Adjournment





Board of Trustees

Chair Delainah Walker

Vice Chair Crystal Owens

Trustees

Marie Dyck Lacey Buchinski Moïse Dion Lori Leitch Robyn Robertson

Superintendent of Schools Adam Murray

Deputy Superintendent Jeff Thompson

Secretary-Treasurer Rhonda Freeman October 19, 2022

Mayor Evan Matiasiewich Village of Nampa Box 69, Nampa AB. T0H 2R0

Dear Mayor Matiasiewich:

Re: Joint Meeting (hybrid) with the Peace River School Division (PRSD) Board of Trustees

The (PRSD) Board of Trustees of would like to invite you, your council and CAO to participate in our annual Joint Board Municipality meeting scheduled for February 1, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. To make these meetings more meaningful, we have changed the format somewhat.

PRSD's purpose is to provide services and enhance student learning. To support our students, we partner with municipalities and others, i.e., Town of Grimshaw and Holy Family Catholic Regional Division; we have joint use agreements with several municipalities as well as other partners to provide trades training. Even with those partnerships, there are concerns, for example, lack of adequate funds for mental health supports for our students.

We are feeling the effects of lower enrollment in our schools which is an indication of a declining population in the region. Our government funding is tied to students, and we have no way to increase it but our costs are not going down. Carbon tax is one of the items that has to be paid but takes money out of the division with no return.

Are there issues municipalities are facing that the school division can assist you with in some way? We believe forming partnerships and supporting each other will be beneficial for everyone, especially our students.

A Google link will follow to RSVP to the meeting. Additionally, please add one or two items of concern in your municipality that you would like to discuss.



By working together we may come up with creative ideas which will benefit all of us. Please complete and submit the form by January 16, 2023. If you have any questions please contact Executive Assistant Chris Warne by email: warnec@prsd.ab.ca or by phone: (780) 624-3650 x 10140.

Our board looks forward to meeting with our municipal and town councils to discuss how we can work together to create opportunities for youth in our communities.

Sincerely,

Delainah Walker

Board Chair

Peace River School Division

cc. CAO Roshuk

From: Marie Dyck

To:Diane Roshuk; Cindy MillarCc:Gaylene Whitehead; Agnes RoshukSubject:Future Nampa and area Daycare Center

Date: January 3, 2023 10:32:55 AM
Attachments: EVERYONE WELCOME.docx

Nampa and Area Daycare Center letter to Emily.docx

Hi Diane and Cindy,

We are proceeding forward with the process to start up a Daycare in Nampa. We are having a meeting to form a Registered Non Profit Society so we can offer the \$10 daycare and do fundraising. I have attached the information for the upcoming meeting on Jan 9th at 3pm. We currently have 6 local residents from the Village and County interested in sitting on this Board to get this up and running. I have also enclosed the email that i sent off to Emily with Smoky River Express and they will publish this and promote our venture for free. Hopefully this gives you some insight into what we feel we need to do to get this started and when I spoke to Childcare in the Alberta Government she felt it would be doable to have it up and running by Sept. because the facility is already there and recently renovated. Any advice or information or help you think we may need please let your rep know to bring forward.

I did gain some knowledge on the bylaws and procedures portion from the Accountant and Lawyer in the family so that should help us with saving money and time. I also have someone willing to type that all up for us to get ready to send in with the application.

Can you please post the EVERYONE WELCOME document on your websites and Facebook pages so we can get the word out there.

We are very appreciative of all your help and look forward to moving this forward as it definitely will be an asset to both the Village and the County.

Thanks

Marie Dyck 780-618-2152 From: admin@peacecountrycanada.com

To: Carolyn Kolebaba - PREDA NTAB Northern Sunrise; Elaine Garrow - PREDA & NTAB MD Spirit River; Brock

Mulligan - AFPA VP; Jackie Clayton - Mayor GP

Cc: Roy Brideau - CAO Big Lakes; Allan Rowe - CAO Clear Hills; Barbara Johnson - CAO MD Peace; Theresa Van Oort

- CAO Northern Lights; Daryl Greenhill-CAO Fairview; Brian Allen - CAO Grimshaw; Peter Thomas - CAO Rycroft; Steve Black - CAO Spirit River; Dan Dibbelt - CAO MD Spirit River; Joulia Whittleton - CAO County GP; Cindy Millar - CAO Northern Sunrise; Stacey Wabick - CAO Greenview; Dianne Roshuk - CAO Nampa; Chad Tullis - CAO Opportunity; CAO Berwyn; Larry Davidson - CAO Birch Hills; Cary Merritt - CAO Saddle Hills; Ben Berlinguette -

CAO Valleyview, Robert Jorgensen - CAO MD Fairview

Subject: FW: Strategic Advocacy for Rail Car Access for Albertans - Template letter if needed

Date: December 19, 2022 11:30:04 AM

Attachments: imaqe001.pnq imaqe002.pnq

image003.png Railway Advocacy Letter to Municipal Partners.docx

PREDA NTAB Letter of Financial Support - Rail Advocacy Template.docx

Importance: High

Good day Elaine and Carolyn,

The Letter of Support was not email cc'd to MLAs or MPs ... You caught me just in time last week as I was distributing it.

See BELOW ..

Joni

From: admin@peacecountrycanada.com <admin@peacecountrycanada.com>

Sent: December 19, 2022 11:02 AM

To: 'cao' <cao@birchhillscounty.com>; jfriesen@saddlehillscounty.com

<jclayton@cityofgp.com>

Subject: RE: Strategic Advocacy for Rail Car Access for Albertans - Template

Importance: High

Good day,

This is the letter from Alberta Forestry requesting support. Also attached is the word version of the Letter from PREDA & NTAB. Please feel free to cut paste as needed internally.

Can be sent to Brock and Jackie (cc'd above). The remittance for payment will be followed up in a couple of weeks with an invoice from City of Grande Prairie as per the amount noted in your letter of support.

Also, the research team requests you do not cc your letter of support to MLAs or

MPS, as the team is prepping the advocacy behind the scenes before the campaign is initiated.

In my original draft I had the MLA and MP noted but **did not send it** to them once I was advised is was confidential and not for open distribution.

Much appreciated,

Joni





Mary Joan Aylward - MSc, CBA Research & Operations 10128 95th Ave Grande Prairie, AB T8V 0L4

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Teleconference: 1 (647) 497-9391 Access Code: 354-747-613

From: cao <<u>cao@birchhillscounty.com</u>>
Sent: December 19, 2022 9:48 AM

To: 'admin@peacecountrycanada.com' admin@peacecountrycanada.com

Subject: RE: Strategic Advocacy for Rail Car Access for Albertans

Would you please provide the original letter requesting support.

Sincerely,

Larry Davidson

Chief Administrative Officer



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From: admin@peacecountrycanada.com <admin@peacecountrycanada.com>

Sent: Saturday, December 17, 2022 3:32 PM

To: admin@peacecountrycanada.com

Cc: Clayton - Mayor GP < iclayton@cityofgp.com >; Brock Mulligan - AFPA VP

<bmulligan@albertaforestproducts.ca>

Subject: FW: Strategic Advocacy for Rail Car Access for Albertans

Please note that the previously attached document from the Canadian Strategy Group is confidential.

Thanks for the reminder Carolyn.



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From: Carolyn Kolebaba < ckolebaba@northernsunrise.net>

Sent: December 16, 2022 6:19 AM **To:** admin@peacecountrycanada.com

Subject: Re: Strategic Advocacy for Rail Car Access for Albertans

This is a confidential document

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 15, 2022, at 3:58 PM, admin@peacecountrycanada.com wrote:

On behalf of the PREDA and NTAB membership attached please find a Letter of Financial Support for a strategic advocacy campaign for northern Alberta's primary industries – agriculture, energy, and forestry - access to rail cars **on-time and on-budget**.

We encourage all municipalities to review the attached documents and consider

prioritizing this request from Brock Mulligan – Senior Vice President of the Alberta Forest Products Association (AFPA) to execute this strategy.

If you would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact Mayor Jackie Clayton of Grande Prairie (cc'd above) who has generously agreed to act as a liaison to municipal partners and spearhead our efforts.

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Northern Transportation Advocacy Bureau

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<PREDA NTAB Letter of Financial Support - Rail Advocacy.pdf>

<Railway Advocacy Letter to Municipal Partners.pdf>

<CSG_Proposal_RailCoalition_Final62.pdf>

Virus-free.www.avg.com

We hosted a potential daycare meeting at the Nampa Seniors Drop in Center on January 9th at 3pm and are very pleased to tell you there were several parents and residents there as well as the appointed reps from the Village and Northern Sunrise County. A brief discussion was held on the survey results with an interest from parents of 20 children in need of daycare. There are many very excited parents in support of this project for our region.

It was decided to proceed to start the process of opening a Daycare center in the Senior Drop In building. Elections were held with Marie Dyck (President), Ethyl Velie (Vice President) Penny Tremblay (Secretary) Doug Campbell (Treasurer) Candace Paluck, Dion Marcoux, Carmen Matiasiewich, Chris Tanner and Janelle Sharpe as Directors. A discussion and vote was held on the name of the Daycare between Nampa Regional Daycare Society or Nampa and District Daycare Society with a narrow margin of 1 vote between the two names.

The official name has been accepted by a NUANS report for the Nampa and District Daycare Society and is good for 90 days to give us time to be approved. The fees for that report were waived by Registries.

We will be filing our application with the By-laws to Alberta Government to become a Registered Non Profit Society which will enable us to offer \$10 a day daycare and also enable us to do casinos for fundraising. This application is almost ready and

will be filed next week and we should have approval within a couple of days after they receive it. The hours will be from 7am-5:30pm

We have also started working on the application for a Business licence and hope to have all the information gathered on that and sent out by mid February and that will take about 6-8 weeks for approval. We will be working closely with a Licensing agent through this process and Alberta Government is excited to open a center in rural Alberta that does not currently have a daycare. We have the By-laws and Program Plan ready for that as well so that is the major parts of that application.

We would also like to request a letter of support from your Council for this project.

We are seeking some financial assistance to get us started for application fees and filing fees and opening a PO box (\$200) so we are asking for a donation of \$1000 from your Municipality.

Once the Business License has been sent we will work on applying for a Facility grant and getting the daycare set up as well as an Operational grant for staffing and operations. We have already had some enquiries on possible jobs and levels of training required by residents.

We truly believe this facility will be here for many years to come and will be providing a much needed service to this region.

Thank You and we truly appreciate your support.

Marie Dyck

President

Nampa and District Daycare Society





Request for Decision (RFD)

Council Meeting January 17, 2023

Topic:

2023 growing the North Conference February 22 - 23, 2023 Grande Prairie

Background:

Below is the link for the conference, please check it out and advise Administration if you would like to attend.

Growing the North (press ctrl key and click mouse to open or google Growing the North 2023 Conference)

Administration Recommendation:

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Cheque Listing For Council

Cheque	Cheque # Date Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Description	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
20220525	2022-12-19 TELUS MOBILITY INC.	DEC 22	PAYMENT CAO CELL PHONE BILLING	105.47	105.47
20220526	2022-12-28 ROSHUK, DIANNE G				
20220527	2022-12-28 MATIASIEWICH, SHIRLEY A				
20220528	2022-12-28 SURMAN, STEVE C				
20220529	2022-12-28 MATIASIEWICH, EVAN M				
20220530	2022-12-28 SKRLIK, PERRY				
20220531	2022-12-28 ROSHUK, AGNES M				
20220532	2022-12-28 LEE, SHARON L				• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
20220533	2022-12-28 BIELOPOTOCKY, BRIAN E				
20220534	2022-12-28 ROUSSEL, STEVE				
20220535	2022-12-28 BIELOPOTOCKY, BRIAN	Dec 2022	PAYMENT MILEAGE	61.00	61.0
20220536	2022-12-28 CANADIAN LINEN AND UNIFORM	5004163898	PAYMENT MONTHLY MAT RENTAL	223.54	223.5
20220537	2022-12-28 EVAN'S TRUCKING	3232	PAYMENT ICE CONTROL ROCK	980.96	980.9
20220538	2022-12-28 GOLDEN WEST ELECTRIC CO	5940	PAYMENT REPLACE FAN IN PW SHOP	520.22	520.2
20220539	2022-12-28 GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA	E211815	PAYMENT PUBLIC AUCTION AD AB GAZETT	21.00	21.0
20220540	2022-12-28 HI TECH BUSINESS SYSTEMS	1687094	PAYMENT MTHLY FEE	61.57	61.5
20220541	2022-12-28 LEE, SHARON	Dec 2022	PAYMENT MILEAGE	78.08	78.0
20220542	2022-12-28 MATIASIEWICH, EVAN	Dec 2022 Dec 22	PAYMENT MILEAGE MILEAGE	78.04 78.04	156.0
20220543	2022-12-28 NAMPA GOLDEN PIONEERS DROP-IN CENTRE	Dec 2022	PAYMENT INCREASE OF ANNUAL ALLOTME	1,000.00	1,000.0
20220544	2022-12-28 NEW WATER LTD.	282	PAYMENT PARTNER BILLING SEPT-OCT 22	22,606.70	22,606.7
20220545	2022-12-28 PEACE RIVER BROADCASTING CORP	11595-1	PAYMENT CHRISTMAS GREETING	257.25	257.2
20220546	2022-12-28 RMRF BARRISTERS SOLICITORS	248390	PAYMENT LAWYER FEES	2,729.90	2,729.9
20220547	2022-12-28 ROSHUK, AGNES	dec 22	PAYMENT MILEAGE	36.60	36.6
20220548	2022-12-28 ROSHUK, DIANNE	Dec 2022	PAYMENT MILEAGE	36.60	36.6
20220549	2022-12-28 SHELLEY'S STATIONERY	08 dec 22	PAYMENT STAMPS	289.80	289.8
20220550	2022-12-28 SKRLIK, PERRY	Dec 2022	PAYMENT MILEAGE	183.00	183.0
20220551	2022-12-28 TOKER, TEENA	Dec 2022	PAYMENT JANITORIAL	250.00	250.0
20220552	2022-12-28 NAMPA AUTO & FARM SUPPLY	242979	PAYMENT PAINT, SHOVEL, U-BOLTS	376.13	691.1

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20220553	2022-12-30 ATB FINANCIAL MASTERCARD	Nov/Dec 2022	PAYMENT ATB MASTERCARD PURCHASES	1,724.25	1,724.25
20220554	2023-01-03 LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION PLAN	dec22	PAYMENT LAPP DEDUCTIONS DEC 2022	3,231.02	3,231.02
20220555	2023-01-03 RECEIVER GENERAL - PAYROLL	2022 dec	PAYMENT RECEIVER GENERAL DEDS DEC	5,350.84	5,350.84
20230001	2023-01-09 TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	2100JAN JAN 2516 JAN 3852 JAN 3896	PAYMENT OFFCIE FAX LINE BILLING FIRE DEPT TELEPHONE BILLING OFFICE TELEPHPONE BILLING PUBLIC WORKS TELEPHONE BIL	69.98 69.98 179.87 96.17	416.00
20230002	2023-01-10 AltaLIS JV	JAN 5 2023	PAYMENT ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	56.70	56.70
20230003	2023-01-10 CPAA OFFICE	2023 SPONSOF	PAYMENT 2023 BRONZE SPONSORSHIP F(500.00	500,00
20230004	2023-01-10 MACKENZIE MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGENCY	2202191	PAYMENT ANNUAL SUPPORT 2023	27,313.65	27,313.65
20230005	2023-01-10 MUNISIGHT LTD, MUNISIGHT LTD. ACCTS RECE	4318001	PAYMENT ANNUAL SUPPORT JAN - DEC 20	7,406.55	7,406.55
20230006	2023-01-10 NAMPAMUNICIPAL LIBRARY	2023102	PAYMENT ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION 2023	14,500.00	14,500.00
20230007	2023-01-10 NORTHERN SUNRISE COUNTY	02023 12181	PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT FOR 2021 ML ANNUAL ASSESSMENT SERVICE	9,388.91 7,708.42	17,097.33
20230008	2023-01-10 NORTHERN SUNRISE RURAL CRIME WATCH AS	3	PAYMENT 20123 APRCWA SYMPOSIUM FE	600.00	600.00
20230009	2023-01-10 PEACE LIBRARY SYSTEM	2023083	PAYMENT SEMI ANNUAL BILLING JAN - JUI	1,254.89	1,254.89
20230010	2023-01-10 PEACE REGION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALI	643R	PAYMENT 2023 PREDA MEMEBRSHIP FEES	404.62	404.62
20230011	2023-01-10 PEACE REGIONAL VICTIMS SERVICES	2023	PAYMENT ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION 2023	746.00	746.00
20230012	2023-01-10 SURMAN, STEVE	JAN 2023	PAYMENT PW FOREMAN CELL PHONE REII	37.75	37.75
20230013	2023-01-10 UTILITY SAFETY PARTNERS	175477	PAYMENT ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES 20%	111.30	111.30
20230014	2023-01-10 VELOCITY ENGINEERING INC.	3486	PAYMENT NAMPA INFRASTRUCTURE SUR\	540.75	540.75
20230015	2023-01-10 VITAL EFFECT INC	10424	PAYMENT MONTHLY WEB HOSTING	55.00	55.00
20230016	2023-01-10 ROSHUK, DIANNE G				
20200010					

Total 129,663.94



Chief Administrative Officer Report

December 21, 2022 - January 17, 2023

Meetings/Events Attended

- January 12 IC Mtg with NSC
- January 12 2023 Interim Budget Meeting
- January 17 Regular Council Meeting

Demolition Update - Property at 9908-97 Street has been demolished and cleared, Property at 10016-98 Street is still in progress

Upcoming Meetings/Events

February 1 - Joint Mtg with PRSD February 21- Regular Council Meeting March - TBD NWL Meeting 6.2

Public Works Month Report
- paint & install new rope lights on Christmas trees
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Name: Brian Bielopotocky

Date: Jan 2023

Meetings/Events Attended:

Dec 20/2022 Council Meeting

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

Jan 12/2023 Budget Meeting

Jan 17/2023 Council Meeting

Feb 1/2023 Meeting with PRSD

Mar2/2023 WAC Meeting



6.4

Name: Sharon Lee
Date: 01 10 2023

Meetings/Events Attended:

Nampa & District Historical Society Nearly completed wall; planning for next steps		Jan 10/ 23	7:00pm
Economic Development and Tourism Board	CANCELLED	Jan 11/ 23	5:30pm
Beautification, tentative		Jan 11/ 23	7:00pm
Village of Nampa, Interim Budget Meeting		Jan 12/ 23	6:30pm
Village of Nampa, Regular Meeting		Jan 17/ 23	7:00pm

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

Peace River School Division	Feb 1/ 23	7:00pm
Nampa & District Historical Society	Feb 13/ 23	7:00pm
Economic Development and Tourism Board	Feb 8/ 23	5:30pm
Nampa & District Historical Society AGM	Mar 14/ 23	7:00pm



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Name: Evan Matiasiewich

Date: January 11, 2023

Meetings/Events Attended:

- IC Meeting VON & NSC January 12/23

- VON Budget Meeting January 12/23

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

- VON Council January 17/23

- Peace Waste Management

- RCMP CAC



6.4

Name: Agnes Roshuk

Date: 01/11/23

Meetings/Events Attended:

1/09/23- Nampa & District DayCare Organizational Meeting.

This is going to take a lot of work for this to happen. We have a Board now, President is Marie Dyck, she, along with Ethyl are doing the leg work to get our name registered and such. There is another meeting on Jan. 31 at the school so we can take a 2 hour course on the expectations the govt has of us as a society. I will keep Council updated on how things go from here. We hope to be up and running by Sept./23

1/10/23- FCSS Meeting

Nothing new here! If Council has any ideas as to what kinds of courses we should have in Nampa, please bring them to my attention and I will ask Amber if we could bring them in.

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

1/12/2023- IC Meeting at County

1/12/2023- Budget Meeting

1/17/23-Council Meeting

1/31/23-DayCare Meeting at School

7. Correspondence



MACKENZIE MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGENCY

5109 – 51 Street P.O. Box 450 Berwyn, Alberta T0H 0E0

> Phone: 780-338-3862 www.mmsa.ca

December 19th, 2022

Alberta Health Services Official Administrator 14th Floor North Tower, Seventh St Plaza 10030 107 ST, NW Edmonton, AB T5J 3E4

Dear Doctor Cowell:

RE: Discontinuance of Winter Air Ambulance Service

The Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency represents 12 municipalities in northwestern Alberta and our Board of Directors voted, unanimously, to add our voice to the growing list of disappointed and bewildered municipalities who rely on air ambulance service to meet the needs of our residents Specifically, we are referencing the decision by AHS to close the Spirit River airport to winter Medi-vac service.

Our membership finds it totally unconscionable that AHS would unilaterally step in and immediately cancel a life saving service that has been in place for in excess of 40 years! The mandate of AHS is, or at least should be, to improve access to proper health care for ALL citizens of Alberta. This continual eroding of services to small rural municipalities must stop NOW!

There is simply no logical or reasonable explanation for this decision. As previously noted, medical evacuations from the Spirit River airport have taken place, on a year-round basis, for in excess of 40 years and, for a large portion of that time period, they have been completed with the same aircraft currently operating. If these are not the correct aircraft to be operating in this environment then it is the responsibility of the contractor to provide aircrafts that can properly provide the service they have been contracted for. In what form of reality do we allow the contractor to change the rules of the contract they were initially engaged to provide!? The requirement to land at the Spirit River airport was in place at the time this contract was originally let. The contractor willingly engaged in this contract and has financially benefitted from their participation in this contract. To now "pick and choose" where and when they want to provide a life-saving service should be considered a breach of contract and financial penalties should be immediately invoked to guarantee that they honor the terms and intent of their contractual obligations. If it means that they must procure other aircraft in order to provide this service then that is their responsibility to do so. This solution is so abundantly simplistic – "demand that the contractor successfully undertake the requirements of the contract they willingly entered into" that we are somewhat shocked that you have allowed the situation to progress to this point!

With all due respect, we are becoming increasingly tired of having to continually fight to maintain remotely the same service expectations that exist for the larger populated centers. If our government wants to continue living off the vast resources that are derived from our region, then they must support the residents and lifestyle that allows those resources to be harvested for the greater

good of our province. Irrational decisions such as this one, need to be revoked immediately and with full apologies to the entire region.

AHS and our provincial government must surely be aware of the growing discontent and distrust that the general population feels toward both bureaucracies. Acting decisively and swiftly in reversing this ill-conceived plan will go a long way to restoring some level of confidence. Our membership is trusting you to do the right thing.

Yours truly;

Sandra Eastman

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Chair, Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency

From: Tammy Brauer
To: undisclosed-recipients:
Bcc: cao@nampa.ca

Subject: January 16th Board Meeting Documents

Date: January 9, 2023 1:13:43 PM

Attachments: Executive Director Report January 16th.docx

MPTA November 21st, Board Meeting Minutes Draft.docx

MPTA January 16th, Board Agenda-1.docx Board Financials YTD December 2022.pdf

Good afternoon - I have attached the current agenda, previous minutes, Executive Director Report, and financials that will be discussed at the Board Meeting being held Monday January 16th at the Quality Hotel & Conference Center Sawridge in the Town of Peace River. The meeting will start at 6:30 pm in the Mackenzie Room. We have taken this opportunity to increase awareness of our activities by inviting our general membership to this meeting.

Please respond to this email and let me know if you are able to attend and if you require a hard copy of the meeting documents. We look forward to seeing you next Monday!



Mighty Peace Tourism Tammy Brauer / Executive Director Box 1697 Grimshaw TOH 1W0 780-332-2363 1-800-215-4535





