



## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

AND TO: Janis Bell, Chief Administrative Officer

FROM: Shelly Burich, Manager of Communications                      DATE: March 2, 2008

DATE OF MEETING: March 7, 2008

SHORT SUMMARY: Notes from the 2007 Town Hall Meetings

VOTING: Corporate Vote – Unweighted

MEMORANDUM: The CRD recently completed the 2007 Town Hall Meeting schedule. During the meetings, comments and questions raised by residents are recorded and are presented for the Board's review in the attachment.

ATTACHMENT: Notes from Electoral Area and Municipal Town Hall Meetings

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: None

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: None    Reviewed by the Treasurer:

OPTIONS: 1) Receipt

RECOMMENDATION: That the agenda item summary regarding the 2007 Town Hall Meeting Notes from Shelly Burich, Manager of Communications, dated March 2, 2008, with attachments, be received. *Further action at the discretion of the Board.*

Respectfully submitted,

Manager of Communications

**2008 Town Hall Meetings  
Area A  
Dragon Lake Elementary**

**Attending:** Ted Armstrong, Rick Hodgson, Shelly Burich  
Attendance: 36

Questions

Is there a new bylaw for the airport? Do we have any financial statements from the city?  
From what I understand there are 2 staff and the manager is in around the \$100,000? How many other managers are out at the airport?  
How can the airport be so expensive?  
Don't most people use the internet rather than using the library?  
Air ambulance uses the airport a lot?  
Is there any way we can get a list of the people or groups that have received grants for assistance?  
What has brought about the kennel bylaw?  
How far away does a barn need to be from a fence line? We have a problem with this as it is right beside our well and the manure runs off into our well.  
Why don't you have bylaws to deal with wandering dogs?  
Why doesn't the CRD support the SPCA as you are causing most of the problems?  
Is the SPCA becoming a provincial thing?  
Staff to look at feasibility of dog control or an SPCA function?  
How does the CRD decide on who gets grants for assistance? – would like to see list of groups that have received grants for assistance? And how much they received?  
I'm concerned about the fire protection services on Hydraulic Road?  
Can it be re-addressed now?  
How do we go about getting fire protection? Pioneer Road and Hydraulic?  
What can we do about the safety of Maple Drive? Many people walk along there and it is very dangerous, Could we get a sidewalk? Hydraulic too?  
With respect to re-zoning policy, I have a problem with the 60 metre thing while zoning from residential to heavy industrial? Is this under local government legislation?  
What is the HandyDart and who would be included?  
What is the CRD doing to support recycling and eliminating plastics from the refuse sites?  
Is the money for soccer for operating costs?  
How close are we to paying off the initial red bluff sewer bill?  
Are they ever going to expand the system?  
The regional district seems to change offices regularly. How much does it cost the tax payer?  
How much is the Search and Rescue going up every year?  
If this all comes to referendum is every sport going to want to go to referendum to get money?  
How are bylaws policed by the CRD?  
What are the biggest two items coming down the road that you may know that residents should know about?  
Can you give us a comment on lands claims and how will they affect us and how can we help you in what you will be facing?

Bouchie Lake THM  
Jan 23, 2008 7:00pm

Attending: Director Ken Falloon, Rick Hodgson and Darron Campbell  
Attendance: 36

Questions:

1. Can you provide a one-page fact sheet, with examples, on the relationship between budgets, tax rates, and assessments?
2. Going by the \$75/100,000 (hosp assess), if assessment go up by 25% doesn't the amount you collect, and the amount we pay, go up?
3. Is the Nazko/Batnunie landfill site going ahead?
4. Why aren't the new proposed North Cariboo Services on the new services list?
5. Why is the library in Quesnel so expensive? What's in the cost? Is it a lease?
6. Why didn't the Quesnel library go to a referendum?
7. What was to total budget for 2008? How much is taxes? Where does the other money come from?
8. What's the plan for dealing with local garbage?
9. Where we at with the MultiCentre?
10. The question on the MultiCentre survey about \$100 was misleading.
11. Is there any tentative date for the MultiCentre referendum?
12. What's up with another bridge?
13. Is the CRD doing a geotech study in the Quesnel area?
14. The new services referendum: How does that work?
15. Is snow plowing part of what you guys do?
16. Shouldn't soccer have gone to a referendum to build the indoor stadium?
17. Is the new services referendum on the tax rate or the maximum?
18. We recreate out in the bush, no one seems to notice that. Not hockey or artsy stuff.
19. What's the regional arts and culture goal about?
20. What's the regional development function goal about?
21. Rural residents benefit from City services and facilities. You need the city to have the rural area.
22. What is the change on the keeping animals bylaw?
23. What is the rationale behind using the AAP?
24. Why was it used in the new services?
25. Will we hear back about the timing for the MC referendum?
26. Are any of the groups behind these new services here to explain why they need the money?
27. Are the Area B fire protection boundary same as sub-regional recreation?
28. What are the walking trails at Bouchie Lake about? Who will maintain it?

**Area C Town Hall Meeting  
January 17, 2008  
Barlow Creek Elementary**

Attending: Director Ronda Wilkins, Rick Hodgson, Rick Brundrige  
Attendance: 17

Director Ronda Wilkins opened the meeting and presented the general overview slides of the CRD.  
Rick Hodgson presented the main portion of the meeting and financial information.

- 1) Concerns about increased assessment and effect on property tax bill;
- 2) Problems with 911 calls being routed through Prince George as is now the case, rather than Quesnel where knowledge of roads and locations achieves quicker response times.

**Area D town Hall Meeting Notes  
January 29, 2008**

Attending: Director Sue Zacharias, Rick Hodgson, Rowena Bastien  
Attendance: 14

Questions:

- 1) Regarding the Grants for Assistance power point slide. Area 'D' showed \$17,750 in 2007 and \$40,590 in 2008.
- 2) Why the 2008 figure was so high?
- 3) What is Provincial Rural Tax?
- 4) Comments and questions from rural refuse contractor;
  - a) The CRD needs to let people know how 'cheap' rural refuse costs are for the people that live here – as compared to places like Kamloops
  - b) What do we do to stop inappropriate or illegal dumping?
  - c) There is no bylaw to enable fines for illegal dumping.
- 5) We need to put a recycling program in place 'yesterday'
- 6) What is the CRD going to put in place in EACH rural refuse area?
- 7) We need to bring back the "buy a composter" program but offer user friendly composter models so that even elderly people can use them.
- 8) Can hours of operation at Williams Lake refuse station be extended as Williams Lake businesses are dumping (fridges, stoves, washers, dryers, etc) at the Wildwood refuse station? This means that extra costs are incurred to have this refuse trucked back into Williams Lake for disposal.
- 9) After looking at the wood waste slide the question was asked, "Why can forest industry burn huge wood piles in the bush and we can't burn in wood waste dump sites?"
- 10) What is available from NIT for wood waste?
- 11) Concerns regarding an experience with a call to 9-1-1 and the slow response to his call.  
Note: I have sent a note to both FOCC and BCAS asking for details of this call)
- 12) Can the CRD push Telus or other providers for high speed internet on Fox Mtn? Apparently the infrastructure is in place, it just needs to be hooked up?
- 13) Will the Williams Lake Community Forest be partially located on Fox Mountain and will it take into account recreational activities within the forest such as biking, hiking, horseback riding, etc?
- 14) Why unsanctioned but publicly advertised motocross races are allowed to take place on crownland just outside of Wildwood? (Apparently a biker was killed last year? and access to roads has been denied to hunters and others while these races are taking place?)
- 15) What does the CRD do about drug/crack houses?

Sue Zacharias spoke to let people know that the Wildwood VFD Association has is again active within the community and that association members had already been in contact with RCMP to discuss this matter and that the RCMP would be attending a public meeting to discuss the Rural Crime Watch and Crime Stoppers programs. In addition – if a person has

concerns about a drug or crack house they need to call the RCMP directly to make them aware of it.

**2008 Town Hall Meeting  
Electoral Area 'E'**

Directors: Brandy Dickey and Chair Jon Wolbers

Staff: Lynn Paterson, Rowena Bastien

Attendance: 30

Questions

Regarding the Invasive Plant Program – a lot of money is spent but I don't see anything being done. What do they do?

Is there any action being taken to go after loggers? Log landing are always full of knap weed.

What does Invasive Plant program cost? What is the budget?

MOF should be making logging companies responsible through their contracts and silviculture prescription requirements.

Street Lighting – can we get modern lighting – guarded to direct all lighting downwards, lights that have a 90 degree cutoff. This reduces the the light that is lost straight up, reduces light "pollution" and by focusing the light downwards should reduce the strength of light required and save power and money.

What about water and sewer, we talked about it last year.

Who do we pay to get this issue solved? Our land still has issues but where there is development the issue seems to have gone away.

Why isn't the CRD doing more to work with aquifer? Properties here are of the same age. Septics are going bad. We don't have time to wait any longer. The septic tank at the school has to be pumped at least every 6 months.

We need to find a water source.

What area is unstable?

Are we talking about pulling water from the City aquifer? It is already running short.

I thought we had 2 million to do a study?

People are bathing in unfit water. What can we do?

Who is going to be liable? Can we put in our own system?

Where will the water come from?

Are there water restrictions in place in the area? In the CRD? Can we deal with water and sewer separately?

What happened when children and families get sick and people maybe die - Who is liable?

What about Federal infrastructure grant money?

Is there going to be more recycling?

Where does wood waste come from?

What about burning off wood waste?

What about chipping and sending to co-gen plant?

### **Central Cariboo Transit**

Would the whole Area E pay for this service? If the bus does not go anywhere near my house would I pay for that service?

If you can't put a bus route through subdivisions why would you even bother?

You only hear from the people that want a bus – people that don't want a bus don't call to tell you that.

Will bus link with City Transit? Go up Hodgson? When will service start?

Maybe the bus should go just past Mtn View store to do Gunanoot loop?

Who is responsible for sidewalks? We need sidewalks to get to a bus.  
How did Wildwood get their own system? (water/sewer)

How does the City Transit track usage?

Do we all agree that a water sewer system is going to happen?

Why don't we start buying pipe now and stock piling to save costs?

Why not pump ground water from Bond Lake into water reservoir to take water out of ground and at the same time stabilize the ground?

We need to get past the liability.

What can citizens do to put pressure on Prov. Govt. to help local Govt move forward?

What was 2 million dollars that we didn't get?

Has CRD allocated any funds to this issue?

Why hasn't CRD been visible at public water meetings with the City?

Is CRD involved in water advisory committee?

What is to stop City from expanding City boundaries?

Can we get annual testing on our wells by Health? This would help convince our neighbours.

We need a community petition.

We need to be proactive – talk to our neighbours- make people aware.

There is no problem in doing this project – we just need contractors that are not interested in gouging govt. pockets.

Can we have a public local meeting?

Can we reapply for grant funding?

How can citizens help CRD in this issue?

What was the 225,000 gallons of water being provided to Sugar Cane for? Drinking or golf course?

Area F - Town Hall Meeting  
February 2, 2008

Attending: Director Duncan Barnett, Janis Bell, Rick Brundrige, Shelly Burich

Attendance: 48

Where does the hospital district come into play with seniors care etc?

Does that mean that the CRD residents are paying for Cariboo lodge and Deni House?

Is the Regional District still paying for Deni House and should Interior Health not have taken over the financial responsibilities for the facility?

Why is there not more pressure on the health authorities – how can they run they make decisions from Kamloops about our area?

Does it affect everyone in the regional district?

Will it be a separate line item on our tax notices?

Why has the revenue gone down in subsequent years?

What the percentage of on this slide? (Requisition)

Is the regional district taxing for transit service in WL and 100 Mile?

Does this include the city of Williams Lake dump? (Slide showing increases over inflation)

Does this include opportunity fund?

Is the figure of the grants for assistance put up by looking at the applications or by thinking it should be going up?

Why was a landfill that is approved for carcass dumping placed within one mile from a lake? Big Lake Landfill site. Letter apparently coming from Big Lake residents bring this to Mitch's attention. Mitch to provide residents with the initial copy of the assessment.

Why did they not choose Gibraltar for the specified risk materials?

Comment: I think the share sheds cost us money. I also think we should man the transfer stations, fence them and have hours of operation.

The one in Big Lake is working well.

When can we expect an answer from Mitch Minchau?

Why can't we just move ahead and have manned refuse sites with recyclables to start eliminating the amount of solid waste going into the ground?

Why don't we have a leachate system at Big Lake?

Why can't the materials from Mt. Polley go straight to Gibraltar rather than dumping at Big Lake?

Is Williams Lake removing their recycling bins?

If they do away with the recycling bins will there be others ones somewhere we could use?

Product stewardship needs to be given more attention and should be in place in the Cariboo

How is it decided where the boundaries for recreation are?

Are there any ideas to partner with organizations such as the arts council etc?

How is it coming along with the library going into the school in Likely?

Should we contact the CRD about getting new playground equipment at the Big Lake Community Hall?

Does Marie Sharpe not have to be rebuilt?

What is happening with Polley Mines and the disposal of their water? What are the regional districts thoughts on this?

Run off from Polley should be included in the Land Use Planning for the Quesnel and Horsefly Lakes?

Provincial sewerage regulations mentioned with regard to development around the lake areas (Likely situation and the cost of bringing out a specialist)

Is putting in a new bus doubling up because we have school buses already?

Is there any way that you can give the Horsefly fire department more than \$3,000 because they need \$11,000?

Where are we with heritage?

What does expanding the building inspection function into hazardous zones mean?  
What are the five strategic plans that were mentioned earlier in the presentation?  
Last year we hired an emergency coordinator and not much has happened what is up?  
Talk about accessibility and measuring up the north.  
Library needs wheel chair ramp.  
Is Beaver Valley on the radar for land use planning?

2008 Town Hall Meetings  
Area G  
Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Attending: Director Al Richmond, Janis Bell and Shelly Burich  
Attendance: 68

Director Al Richmond started the presentation and then handed over to Janis Bell for the major portion of the presentation.

One gentleman brought up the issue of assessments and encouraged all residents to take a look at theirs.

Why can't we authorize the contractor to issue tickets to offenders of the refuse sites?

Will you be changing the hours and closing and if so can you please inform the residents about the changes?

What are the status of the burning issues and the possibilities of cogeneration plants?

We don't seem to be up to snuff as other communities and would this help with the rural refuse volume issues?

What about having the recycling bins at the Community Hall?

Are there going to be any hours assigned to the proposed noise bylaw?

Some positive comments were given in support of the noise bylaw.

Will the noise bylaw cover all areas of G?

Is there anything we can do to help move this forward?

Do the Directors vote for their own raises?

What exactly are you payed for?

Why can't the 108 community hall function cover snow removal?

Do people not understand the Public Hearing process?

Could we develop a brochure on the Public Hearing process?

Are their four readings to the Public Hearing Process?

Soccer Presentation

Warner Heinle presented information on the proposed Soccer facility for the South Cariboo.

Do you have any idea of what the maintenance schedule and fees would be for ongoing costs?

David Miker from the South Cariboo Aquatic Society spoke about the proposed pool.

Are we not being charged in Lac La Hache for recreation?

I think the entire South Cariboo should pay for recreation.

**Forest Grove  
Town Hall Meeting  
January 26, 2008 2:00 pm**

**Present:** Director Art Dumaresq, Electoral Area H Director; Darron Campbell, Manager of Community Services (CRD), Mitch J. Minchau Manager of Environmental Services (CRD)

36 local area residents were present for the meeting.

Director Dumaresq opened the meeting by introducing staff and thanking everyone for coming, as well as giving an overview of the meeting.

Darron Campbell provided the prepared presentation.

Residents asked questions regarding

- State of Canim Lake water system
- Wood waste management at the Forest Grove transfer station
- Creation of a community pool in 100 Mile House
- State of e-waste recycling
- Road conditions within the boundary of 100 Mile House
- Mining activities near Christmas Lake
- Policing costs
- Potential to compost wood waste
- Dust control on local roads
- Availability of an invasive plant poster

Director Dumaresq closed the meeting and chaired a question and answer period as follows:

Action Items

Director Dumaresq will investigate to determine the about that First Nations pay towards policing costs and advise concerned resident.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm

## Area I Town Hall Meeting

January 21, 2008

West Fraser Fire Hall

Director Mary Glassford, Janis Bell, Lynn Paterson  
58 public

1. Where is our transfer station?
2. Why are we paying for the City landfill?
3. Can we say "No" to one and "Yes" to another?
4. Can the amount in the Search & Rescue/Highway Rescue bylaw be amended?
5. Why did Mayor Bello say he wanted the amount of taxation increased for Search & Rescue/Highway Rescue?
6. How many new bylaws are coming next year?
7. What about the SPCA?
8. Handydart – is that or is that not a private business?
9. Where did the funding come from before for these new services?
10. Wouldn't it be cheaper to fly out of Williams Lake or Prince George?
11. Do we not contribute to the airport? Do we not contribute through Provincial tax?
12. Can you give us a figure for the soccer facility?
13. The soccer facility was built on land that was donated by the City. Soccer fees have increased by 66% and benefits have been lost such as t-shirts. If they can't keep it running as user paid facility, why are we being asked to pay?
14. Why did they build the soccer facility if they don't have enough money?
15. How do the recreations passes work? Who pays?
16. Can I get out of the sub-regional recreation service?
17. If you vote in, can you vote out?
18. In 1982 we had the referendum to build the recreation centre and all recreation was supposed to go there but that didn't happen. Please explain.
19. Five months to complete zoning and permits. Had to deal with Prince George, Quesnel, Williams Lake, and Victoria. Nobody knows what the next guy in the line is doing. Need a central area to coordinate these offices.
20. The wood waste seems to be one of the biggest increases. Why do we have to put all these transfer stations around? People need to be responsible for their own garbage. Have one site in Quesnel and people can take their garbage there.
21. What is the advantage of having transfer stations over landfills?

22. Wells did have a contractor. It was more sanitary with a landfill being buried. Why was the decision made to install a transfer station?
23. Where does the garbage go from the transfer station?
24. Is the soccer association renting out the facility to Williams Lake & Prince George for income as they indicated when the facility was built?
25. Where will it stop? If the soccer is a taxed service what other groups will come forward? Will grants funds for other sports be matched?
26. What's the average price they pay to ride the handydart?
27. When we take our tax notice in to the pool to get our recreation card, will we still have to pay to swim?
28. Are you, as our Regional Director, going to opt out of the "Pet" bylaw?
29. How are Public Hearings advertised?
30. When the "Pet" bylaw is settled will this be something that we get to vote on?
31. If this budget gets passed will our taxes be going up 4.5%?
32. When is it going down?
33. How many in this room are for the multi-plex?
34. Where will it be located?
35. Is there parking there?
36. If no-one in this room wants the multi-centre can you vote Area I out?
37. What would happen with the \$2m if the multi-centre doesn't fly?
38. Isn't it true that the registration for hockey is down this year?
39. What's wrong with the theatre in Corileau School?
40. If we do not show up at a meeting is that considered a "Yes" vote?
41. How come when we came to Williams Lake with over 10% vote the other 90% were considered "Yes" votes?
42. How are you going to communicate with us? We don't get the newspaper, or listen to the radio?
43. How big were the ads in the newspaper?
44. May we be informed by our representative when a meeting is coming up?
45. If we all vote "No" what exactly will this do to the relationship between the City and the CRD? Will our soccer fees be affected?
46. When you are on a fixed income, how can you afford these additional taxes?
47. What's going to happen in the next five years – we will be closing down five schools down?
48. What's going to happen when we start closing mills down and people lose their jobs?
49. Who has the wood chip hauling contract?
50. Can we dig up our dump to supply the energy plant?
51. How much is the RDF project going to cost us?
52. Where are people on fixed income going to get the money to pay for all the increased costs of bylaw, fuel, utilities, etc.?
53. Is there any way we can put pressure on UBCM to not bring in new regulations, such as septic regulations?
54. If everybody wrote to the MLA's would it help?

55. The SPCA, is that for a CRD area?
56. If the new multi-centre goes in will we have a chance to vote?
57. When they built the second arena, did they through this amount of planning before it went forward?
58. Will the CRD sub-office be moving into the new library space?
59. Why can't staff at the sub-office answer questions without calling Williams Lake?
60. Are they going to make a bigger parking lot at City Hall?
61. Can the sub-regional recreation boundary be expanded to help share the costs?
62. Is it fair that I pay for the assessment on 3000 farm acres at the same rate as everybody else?
- 63.

**Electoral Area J  
Town Hall Meeting  
February 5, 2008 7:00 pm**

**Present:** Director Bracewell, Electoral Area J Director; Darron Campbell, Manager of Community Services (CRD), Mitch J. Minchau Manager of Environmental Services

6 local area residents were present for the meeting.

Director Bracewell opened the meeting by introducing staff and thanking everyone for coming, as well as giving an overview of the meeting.

Darron Campbell provided the financial presentation.

Director Bracewell closed the meeting. Questions and answers were provided throughout the presentation as follows:

#### Issues

Residents wanted to know why a grant aide for Search and Rescue was not provided. Director Bracewell explained his concerns about providing grants in aid. He recommended that the group work towards establishing a function.

#### Action Items

Provide information to search and rescue group (via Director Bracewell) on how much area J taxation will increase for every \$1,000 of operational funds.

Search and Rescue group will petition residents for the establishment of a Search and Rescue function and submit to the Cariboo Regional District for its consideration.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm



**Area K THM**  
**Alexis Creek Community Hall**  
**February 5, 2008**

Attending: Director Rick Mumford, Darron Campbell and Mitch Minchau  
Attendance: 22

SPECIAL ITEM: IHA solicited input and agreed to rename the local Red Cross Hospital, "The Alexis Creek Outpost Clinic"

Has CRD thought about recycling at rural transfer stations?

Can't the wood waste be used at the pellet plants?

Is there any money from Forestry for the wood waste problem?

When will we be hooking up to the water line?

If someone builds a new house will they be able to hook up to the water?

How does it affect the McCauley system?

How much water will there be?

Where will you tie into the McCauley system?

Do you have the final locations for lines?

So the BCBC system will remain intact?

What will be the hook up charge?

85 gallons a minute doesn't seem like much water?

Fire hydrants are being considered.

The school isn't hooking up to the system? The other government buildings are?

With no 1<sup>st</sup> responders; does that affect the rest of the hwy 20 health plan?

Health Bus from Bella Coola to WL. Visioning idea.

**Electoral Area L  
Town Hall Meeting  
February 11, 2008 7:00 pm**

**Present:** Director Pinkney, Electoral Area L Director; Lynn Paterson, Mitch J. Minchau  
**Attendance:** 32

Director Pinkney opened the meeting by introducing staff and thanking everyone for coming, as well as giving an overview of the meeting.

Lynn Paterson provided the financial presentation.

Director Pinkney closed the meeting. Concerns and questions were expressed as follows:

Concerns/Questions

- do taxes go up with assessment
- how much funds to fire departments have in capital reserves
- what is administrative services
- the 911 service is very poor, not confident that the system will ensure that when I call the RCMP will find me
- how do we get information to contact an absent landowner
- all grants in aide are in 100 Mile not very many in the rural area
- can we get grants in aide for fencing subdivisions to keep cattle out
- share sheds are to small
- Sheridan lake landfill should be renamed to Inter Lakes
- Why did the CRD chip wood waste last year
- What impacts to the wood chips have on the environment
- Will the CRD be charging people to dump garbage
- What happens after 20 years at a landfill
- Does the CRD have reclamation plans
- Is the CRD looking at promoting recycling programs to off set the cost of dealing with waste
- Do we have nay glass recycling
- What happens to tires
- Transfer station sits should have bins for recycling
- More people are interested in recycling now
- Demolition materials from old cabins is a big issue at landfill sites
- Does the CRD have demolition permits
- Friends of Bridge Lake letter read out loud
- The current notification process associated land developments is not adequate
- A growth strategy is needed
- Signs regarding development should be highly visible to the public
- The next public meeting for the Bridge lake development will be in May

- Regarding a recent property development in Green Lake, 25 residents were opposed and 3 were in favor, the development was approved, the public interest was not upheld
- Don't use glossy paper for CRD publication, it can not be recycled.
- Recreation projects should be supported to keep children off the streets

#### Action Items

Rename the Sheridan Lake landfill to Inter Lakes

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm



**Wells Town Hall Meeting  
Wells Community Hall  
February 21, 2008**

**Present:**

Gary Champagne, CAO District of Wells  
Ronda Wilkins, CRD Electoral Area 'C' Director

Lynn Paterson, CRD Treasurer  
Rowena Bastien, CRD Manager of Protective Services

**Attendance: 8**

- Q. From Gary Champagne – will the CRD send us brochures to include in tax assessment notices to be sent out by the District of Wells?
- Q. Will the adjustment in taxes due to the successful tax assessment appeal affect the CRD?

Short discussion regarding the possibility of celebrating together the 2008 anniversary

**Comments by Gary Champagne following CRD presentation**

The District of Wells:

- 1) Has completed its first 5 year plan
- 2) Has passed the community survival stage and now must look at the management of community growth
- 3) Is looking at setting goals for the next 5 year plan with thought and consideration being given to things such as:
  - a) water treatment plant
  - b) heating problem at the school
  - c) revisiting geo-thermal prospects – innovative funding may be available, the cost of technology has been reduced, that cost of heating fuel has skyrocketed – this may now be a viable solution
- 4) Community Forest Project

**Quesnel Town Hall Meeting  
February 6, 2008  
Quesnel Seniors' Centre**

Attending:

Directors: Nate Bello, Mary Glassford, Ted Armstrong, Ronda Wilkins, Ken Falloon  
Councillors: Mary Sjostrom, Coralee Oaks, Peter Couldwell, Ron Paull  
Staff: Janis Bell, Matt Wood, Shelly Burich

Attendance: 37

Media: Observer X 2  
Cariboo Radio  
Cariboo Advisor

Director Ted Armstrong opened the meeting and Mayor Nate Bello presented the Quesnel presentation. Janis Bell presented the main portion of the presentation.

How much is the multi centre going to cost and why are we looking at this when forestry industry is facing some really tough times in the next few years?

Do the two health authorities sit on the board when you are making decisions about water etc?

Why don't you work with Pinnacle Pellets to get rid of some of your wood waste?

What does it take to get a meeting with the Chair of the Board? Said he had written Chair and no response.

**City of Williams Lake  
Town Hall Meeting Notes  
February 20, 2008**

Attending

Council: Tom Barr, Ed Mead, Mayor Scott Nelson

Board: Sue Zacharias, Chair Wolbers

Staff: Janis Bell, Shelly Burich

Attendance: 21

Director Zacharias hosted the meeting and Janis Bell presented financials while Mayor Scott Nelson presented the Williams Lake overview.

Why don't people come to the CRD meetings?

What company won its assessment appeal in the South Cariboo?

How much is the CRD having to re-allocate as a result of the assessment?

Can you please explain the routing of 9-1-1?

What portion of the entire gym project, what is the total of the cost to new gym at Marie Sharpe?

Are you in conversation with a co-generation plant?

So what would be burned through the RDF program?

What is happening with recycling within the city and the CRD?

Comment: You need to have full time staff at sites.

We need to be aware of the toxic waste ie televisions

Have you checked out what other areas are doing with their garbage and recycling?

Who makes the decisions of what recyclables will be taken?

What does Quesnel do with their plastics? They say that they take plastic 1 to 7

Where is the water and sewage for Dog Creek at?

**100 Mile House  
Town Hall Meeting  
February 18, 2008**

Attendance: 68

Attending: Al Richmond, Maureen Pinkney, Jon Wolbers, Donna Barnett

Staff: Janis Bell, Shelly Burich

Director Al Richmond opened the meeting and Janis Bell presented the financial information.  
Werner Heinle presented info about the soccer association.

At one point you said it was going to be soccer and baseball is there any reason why only soccer?

How much is registration elsewhere?

How much has the District (CRD) put in to this program so far?

Are there any contractors who can volunteer to build the facility?

To be able to host a tourney do you not need more than one field?

How many people would a tournament possibly bring into town?

What does the 59% equate to in revenue for the recreation?

Where does the money go that Canlan collects?

Could we not use refuse to heat the pool?

When will the arena debt be paid off?

Make sure that the taxes are equitable?

Should we look at a parcel tax?

I think the pool would draw people to 100 Mile House?

Are these the residential tax rates?

I think you people need to present things in a more positive way. (the pool)

Need to be careful of taxation based on a banding system?