Minutes of Community Information Forum (CIF) Meeting North Coast Convention Centre Wednesday, May 31 2017 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Members present

Ken Lippett
Luanne Roth
Brian Musgrave
Sebastian Paquet
Mike Slubowski
Ralph Weick
Peter Freeman
Harry Young
Don Scott

PRPA staff Present

Ken Veldman Charlene Hamilton Brittany Pederson

Regrets

Sarah Dantzer
Mark Rudderham
Ken Shaw
Christine Danroth
Dan Harris
Sheila Gordon-Payne
Bill Mounce
Michal Sluka
Bob Payette
Henry Clifton
Dan Harris
Richard Mellis

1. Call to Order

Ken Veldman called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

2. Last Meeting

Minutes

The April 26, 2017 minutes were circulated. The answer to the question regarding Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) emissions will be expanded upon, otherwise they were accepted as presented.

Business arising from the minutes:

- o **PNW LNG/Lelu Island:** As it stands, PNW LNG is still considering different berthing options on Ridley, but they have not made a decision to advance a formal site investigation program as part of their capital review at this time.
- Fairview Expansion: The Malacca max cranes have arrived at Fairview Container Terminal. The high variable in arrival times made it difficult to plan engagement further, however, their arrival was fairly well documented within the community. The final stages of that project are now underway. The Grand opening of the Fairview Expansion will be August 29th, along with a community, open-house element to the celebrations. Planning and details are underway between ourselves and DP world.

Q: Is the Fairview expansion on time from a completion perspective? **A:** To the best of our knowledge, it is.

3. New Business Roundtable:

a) Aurora LNG: A brief summary, this is a joint project with CNOOC/NEXEN, on Provincial land going through a provincial environmental assessment. We (PRPA) would be a regulatory authority in this project, in terms of the marine safety risk assessment and permitting. Though this proposed project is not on our land, it would be within our water lots.

Luanne Roth—Comments regarding the Aurora LNG project: In her opinion, this project will add to the emissions of Nitrogen Dioxide within the Prince Rupert area. Aurora LNG has calculated the emissions using 10 % for the turbine in-stack ratios. Other studies use a 30% ratio. The question was asked: what ratio would be appropriate for the turbines Aurora LNG is using, and after consulting surveyors they mentioned a 32% ratio. Other consulters have agreed on the 30% measurements as well. In 2 spots identified by Luanne, (one on Graham and one in Dodge Cove) by taking the data from the report, the emissions are over what the recommended levels are (using the 30% ratio, if the 10% is used there are no issues). Through the review, it has been stated the proponents are trying to reduce emission levels. If levels are projected as being too high, there are measures to mitigate the risk that the proponent may choose to implement.

What are the next steps regarding this issue, for Luanne and also for the group in order to monitor this issue. Can PRPA provide the results from the report we conducted regarding total annual emissions from the port to include the vessel type, and number of vessels? In the Aurora LNG proposal it suggests PRPA provided these details to the proponent.

Q: Does PRPA do air emissions testing quite often?

A: Yes we do test air quality and emissions.

Q: Isn't the land fee simple? Where is the water lot?

A: No, it is provincial crown land. We can bring a map next time regarding the water lot. We are only involved from the perspective of management of the water lot and vessel traffic moving through there.

Ken Veldman: We will commit to getting more information on the study and results that rolled out of that. The concern brought forward by the group is understood. Being a regulatory authority in the EA, it would be unusual for us to get involved in the public aspect of the project and process, however we will bring more information back to the next meeting. We will inquire about the statistics spreadsheet Luanne is referencing.

b) **Cow Bay/Waterfront**: There has been coverage in the media lately regarding water access and CN. What is the public perception out in the community?

Brian Musgrave: Liability is the biggest factor, it seems, from a CN perspective. **Veldman:** Liability is a factor, but there has been a change in circumstance in the monitoring of that site from a health perspective. It seems, regardless of who owns the site it is not safe to open to the public due to health risks.

Ralph Weick: It would be nice if CN were more forthcoming regarding the health risks so the public is aware of the actual issues of the blockage. Waterfront and recreational kayak launches is important for our community.

Veldman: We have heard that multiple times, and are looking at areas such as Seal Cove Slough to incorporate a kayak launch, amongst other things.

Harry Young: What are CN's plans for remediation to the area and to address the health risk?

Veldman: We can't comment on behalf of CN's plans. We are committed to improving waterfront access for the community, in areas where it makes sense for us to do so.

Peter Freeman: It is our responsibility, as a community, to investigate what contaminants are on our lands and could get into our waters. (ie: at the CN property). What can we do about it as a community, and get the issue heard on a federal level? **Veldman:** What we can do is raise the issue with CN and note that it was brought up in this forum and see if they are willing to provide more information regarding what that risk looks like. We will make the request with CN and report back.

Ralph Weick: Do we know it's contaminants for sure?

Veldman: All we know is that there are health risks that contributed to the fencing, and that is it to our knowledge.

- c) **Annual Public Meeting:** We have an Annual Public Meeting on June 20th this year. We are attempting to make it much more of an engaging public event this year, at the North Coast Convention Centre. This year it will be an evening event, with an open house portion with "tradeshow" type booths for 30 minutes and then the presentation beginning at 6:30 pm, with the open house continuing after. We encourage attendance, as our staff as well as board will be present to connect with the community directly.
- d) **Cow Bay Parking lot:** The construction is ongoing, and while continued use of the parking lot was our original desire, safety concerns were evident during the beginning of the project. We are hoping to have the parking lot open as soon as possible, but the entirety of the project will not be fully complete until August of this year. We do not intend for it to be pay parking, but our concern is permanent parking as patrons use it for multiple day parking. We also don't want it to become our employee parking lot either, that is not our intention.
- e) **PRPA Offices**: The operations and maintenance teams will be moving out to the new facility on Scott Road, but the majority of the team will remain at the Atlin terminal. In the interim, our Marketing/Communications team will be moving to the Ocean Centre, and keeping our PD team at the Royal plant until we can all come together under one roof. Construction will begin in October for the Atlin Terminal renovation, which will expand the current footprint and add a story onto the existing Ice House Gallery spot.
- f) **Connector Road update:** There are no updates to provide, the new election results will delay the funding, but shouldn't really affect the outcome. There needs to be a framework in place between the provincial and federal government, and since the provincial government is not permanent as we speak, the timeline will be extended a bit. In the meantime we are positioned as well as we can be with the federal government, and for now we wait until the framework is adopted.

g) **Community Investment Fund:** PR Golf Club funding application- the organization is upset that their application request was not fulfilled to the full ask because of additional funding partners coming to the table. From a PRPA perspective: we are always looking for projects that have significant leveraged funding in order for us to commit to it as it is shown as a community priority. We will find out more regarding this specific project and why the ask was not committed to in full.

h) CT Terminals:

Q: There is lumber stacked on Ridley Island near where Canpotex is, what is that terminal? **A:** That is a JV between Tidal Coast and Coast Tsimshian Enterprises, creating a lumber stuffing terminal that is rail based. They are railing lumber and loading it into containers to be transported to Fairview Container Terminal from the Ridley Island site for export. There is no building or terminal per se, it is essentially just lumber and forklifts operating as a transloading operation. This type of service we would like to see eventually move into a logistics site on South Kaien which would be more permanent, as this is currently just a temporary solution.

- i) **Raymont Logistics:** The terminal will start up in September 2017 to catch this year's crop season. They aim for 40 employees, with a seasonal aspect to the labour force.
- j) Fairview Expansion and labour force:

Q: What is the additional number of longshore workers required for the expansion? **A:** The labour force is tied directly to volume, so as volume increases so will the labour force. It will be around 200 additional workers once they reach full volume capacity of the buildout. Currently we have 3 scheduled services per week. With 2 berths, we can double that per week (and then some). The volume will increase over time, not all at once. Employment will grow year after year, with approximately 30-40 FTE next year if the annual growth trend continues, and forecasting is looking good. The longshoring union has already hired 100 workers, but in casual positions (which is not all for the expansion, but stretch on their current capacity). Right now there are 500 or so on the board, but the number of FTE's will continue to grow as time goes on.

6. **Next Meeting**

a) Next meeting date – Wednesday, June 28 2017 at the North Coast Convention Centre. We may change that date, in favor of getting a potential proponent to present to the group.

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm