

**Minutes of Community Information Forum (CIF) Meeting
Inn on the Harbour
Wednesday, November 1, 2018
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**

Members present

Sarah Dantzer
Brett Kuntz
Bill Mounce
Brian Musgrave
Luanne Roth
Ken Shaw
Michal Sluka
Mike Slubowski
Harry Young

PRPA staff Present

Ken Veldman
Irene Mills

Regrets

Henry Clifton
Christine Danroth
Peter Freeman
Sheila Gordon Payne
Dan Harris
Ken Lippett
Richard Mellis
Sebastien Paquet
Jesse Palmer
Bob Payette
Mark Rudderham
Don Scott
Ralph Weick

1. Call to Order

Ken Veldman called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM and introduced Shaun Stevenson.

2. Shaun Stevenson, President & CEO Port of Prince Rupert Presentation

Shaun gives overview of what he's done in the past with the Port of Prince Rupert, high level history and where he sees the Port's opportunity and growth are going forward.

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

Investment and economic development in Prince Rupert: While investment in LNG terminal projects did not move forward in Prince Rupert, many investments in port infrastructure have (or will), including terminals such as Fairview, Westview, RTI; infrastructure projects such as RRUC and Fairview Connector Corridor, and related logistics services such as Raymont. While the capital required for these projects are less intense, the local economic impact of the permanent operations are arguably more.

Shift work and social impacts: It was noted that shift work may have a deleterious impact on volunteerism in the community. PRPA would consider supporting more research into this.

Small business labour impacts: It was suggested that retention issues for some small businesses is due to the inability to compete with wages in terminals. The City is leading a local initiative to investigate options to address recruitment and retention issues. PRPA is actively supporting that initiative.

Environmental Assessments (EA): Concern was raised regarding projects that do not cross thresholds for Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA)-led environmental reviews, and instead are reviewed as non-designated projects led by federal agencies. It was noted that future expansion to a project would require another environmental assessment.

Contaminated soil and disposal sites: It was noted that each project goes through their own EA because not all projects will have the same dredging program. Will Health Canada engage with future environmental assessments that involve dredging of sediments that contain dioxins?

ACTION ITEM: The Port will contact Health Canada and report back to the committee.

Marine Habitat projects: It was noted that a project to develop a Kelp Corridor in the inner harbour was proposed earlier this year for PRPA to consider advancing. The Port isn't planning to be a proponent for that project, but it is looking into a better way to evaluate projects like that on an on-going basis. In the interim, the project is eligible for Community Investment Fund application.

Anchoring: Concerns were raised around the quantification of risks and impacts related to anchorages. A question was raised if PRPA had investigated additional mitigation measures, such as mooring buoys, as outlined in a marine risk assessment study provided by Det Norske Veritas in 2012. It was explained that PRPA has used the DNV report as a guide to quantify and understand risks involved in navigational approaches to the Port, which has advised PRPA's process to prioritize and justify its investment in shore radar, navigational aids and develop relevant harbour policies and procedures.

ACTION ITEM: Future presentation regarding anchorages

Connector Road: An update on the Connector Road was provided, and it was noted that DFO authorizations were still required to green light the project.

Land Use Plan: PRPA will be beginning a broad consultation process with local partners and stakeholders to update the Land Use Plan in 2019.

Future Business Opportunities: An auto terminal has been the subject of some investigations, using the same logistics model as the intermodal business i.e.—moving vehicles through to inland distribution centres.

3. Next Meeting

- a. **Proposed next meeting date** – Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at the new PSOC/Maintenance Building on Scott Road.

Note: this meeting was subsequently changed to Tuesday, December 4 at 5 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.