

**Minutes of Community Information Forum (CIF) Meeting
Prestige Prince Rupert Hotel
Wednesday, November 18, 2015
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**

Members present

Brian Musgrave
Luanne Roth
Ken Shaw
Michal Sluka
Sheila Gordon-Payne
Dan Harris
Ken Lippett
Richard Mellis
Mike Slubowski
Harry Young
Bill Mounce
Don Scott
Bob Payette
Peter Freeman
Sebastien Pacquet

PRPA staff Present

Ken Veldman
Maynard Angus
Charlene Hamilton

Regrets

Ross Wilson
Henry Clifton
Nancy Wilson
Bob Blain

1. Call to Order

Ken Veldman called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. DP World

- Angela Kirkham, Manager of Marketing and Communications, DP World (Vancouver)
- DP World has 36,000 employees across 65 terminals globally, head office in Dubai

- Approaches each terminal as a “unique community”, and tries to tailor its operations and its community engagements accordingly.
- *QUESTIONS and ANSWERS:*
- What are future plans for DP World in Prince Rupert (i.e future expansion)
 - DPW is committed to current expansion, but future phases will be considered based on market demand.
- Does ownership change impact relationship with shippers?
 - Similar customers, shippers and vessel lines across gateways, so relationships are not new, and expect to continue to build on them
- Does DPW operate a shipping fleet?
 - Does not operate shipping vessels, but are involved in a large variety of terminal operations, e.g. transshipment operation in Nanaimo that barges containers from Vancouver Island to Vancouver terminal. Most operations are container-focused (as opposed to bulk).
- Is DPW aware of alternate shipping routes that might access Prince Rupert, i.e. Northwest Passage?
 - Shipping routes and market access are the decision of shipping line operators, not terminal operators. Terminals have the ability to react to new services as capacity and capability determines. (For example, new Maersk service has introduced new ports in the Asian market that now connect to Prince Rupert.)
- What is the strategic advantage of DPW purchasing Prince Rupert?
 - DPW views Fairview as an extremely efficient operation with a distinct service niche in North America. View it as complimentary to Vancouver operations. DPW is only present in Vancouver/Prince Rupert in North America.
- Can DPW consider being more proactive in terms of operations and project announcements within the local community—especially positive announcement, even if they’re small—to ensure local consumer/business confidence is based on the most recent information?
 - DPW will endeavor to recognize the larger magnitude of those impacts in a small community and be as proactive as possible with relevant information. Veldman also confirmed the Port’s recognition of their role in this.
 - Kirkham also noted that a larger website and social media presence dedicated to Prince Rupert is in development
- Is DPW expecting to have corporate staff present in Prince Rupert?
 - DPW considers all of their local staff as part of the DPW organization, and will be active conduits to other non-local staff when necessary. From an operations management perspective, there will be a designated executive responsible to

oversee operations transition, but final organizational structure is yet to be determined.

- Purchasing decisions will vary on where they are made, but DPW is committed to maximizing local suppliers.
- Does DPW have a Community Investment Fund?
 - DPW has a budget allocated to Prince Rupert for community investment, and will find appropriate local projects to engage in. DPW has been involved in many Vancouver programs, and expect to continue that model in Rupert. This includes supporting local staff and volunteer efforts in the local community.
- Will DPW be reactive to community concerns about conflicts between operations and neighbourhood quality of life?
 - DPW is committed to operating as good neighbours within urban areas, and will endeavor to mitigate nuisances as they arrive.
- Are the Vancouver and Prince Rupert terminals covered by the same union/collective bargaining agreement?
 - Both terminals are engaged with the ILWU under the BC Maritime Employers' collective bargaining agreement. However, they are different locals.
- Is DPW tied closely to the Chinese economy?
 - The Vancouver and Rupert terminals are impacted significantly by volumes of export and import trade between Asia and North America—although competitive services and ability to win west coast market share are also very important within that context.
- How large is DPW's Centerm operation in Vancouver compared to Fairview?
 - Centerm's capacity is similar to Fairview (850,000 TEUs), and is also considering an expansion project that would grow its capacity to 1.5M TEUs.
- Kirkham concluded by emphasizing that they want to learn about the local community, both opportunities and issues, and she will be working hard to engage and understand.

Angela Kirkham left the meeting at this time.

- There were no recommendations forthcoming from the group regarding the DP World topic.

3. Last Meeting

- **Minutes**

The September 16th, 2015 minutes were circulated and accepted.

- **Business arising from the minutes**

- PNW LNG/Lelu Island: PNW LNG's investigatory site works are ongoing in the Lelu Island area, despite several protestor interactions. PRPA engagement continues to focus on enforcing marine safety practices in the area. It was also noted that PNW has submitted the requested information related to 3D modelling in the Flora Bank area to CEAA and is available on CEAA's website.

4. It was suggested that PNW LNG be made a permanent agenda item for update.**CIF**

Membership

- **Respecting Rules of Engagement**

- As introduced in the previous meeting, Veldman raised a concern regarding an example about the public dissemination of facts and information that have been shared at the CIF. Veldman asked members to consider whether those actions contravened the spirit of the principles outlined in the CIF's Terms of Reference, and/or whether they would have a detrimental impact on the forum and its flow of information in the future. If so, Veldman also asked them to consider what kind of remedy might be applied.
- It was noted that without a detail-by-detail investigation of the publication in question, it was difficult to determine whether facts were misrepresented or not.
- It was noted that the spirit of openness is vital to the success of the forum, and effort should be made to maintain the trust that is required.
- **RECOMMENDATION: The two parties rejoin their discussion to reach an understanding of protocol that reflects the discussion. If such an understanding cannot be reached, that the issue be tabled to a future meeting with full presentations to be made by each for fuller deliberation.**

- **Meeting Observers**

- Veldman presented a draft observer policy for member review that enables observers, but requires observers to understand the non-representative nature of forum members in particular.
- **RECOMMENDATION: To accept the observer policy as presented.**

5. Next Meeting

a) **Next meeting date** - Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at the PRESTIGE PRINCE RUPERT HOTEL.

- It was requested to include an agenda item related to disposal site on Ridley Island.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.