

Minutes of Community Information Forum (CIF) Meeting
Microsoft TEAMS Virtual Meeting
Wednesday, May 18th, 2022
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Members Present

Jamie Scott
Alaina Pyde
Kristina De Araujo
Brian Musgrave
Luanne Roth
Ken Lippett
Mike Slubowski

Members Absent

Amber Hayes
Tom Cheng
Jesse Palmer
Ken Shaw
Chalyn Liu
Ralph Weick
Dan Harris
Jessica Newman
Bill Mounce
Richard Mellis
Robert Blain
Dan Hendrickson
Harry Young

PRPA Staff Present

Monika Cote
Brian Friesen
Brittany Pederson

1. Call to Order

Brittany Pederson called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM. CIF meeting through Microsoft Teams.

2. Presentation: PRPA's Intermodal Business Update and Future Planning- Brian Friesen, VP of Trade Development

Presentation on PRPA's Intermodal Ecosystem: Overview, Logistics, Current Terminals and Operations, and Future Planning for the Port of Prince Rupert as it relates to Intermodal (Container) growth.

Q: Are there any updates on the timeframes for RIELP and VOPAK developments?

A: Both projects are currently being assessed by their respective environmental review processes. It is expected that the review processes will be complete by the end of the year.

Q: Is there a Zanardi Bridge Update?

A: The project is still under evaluation by CN. Planning processes are underway in terms of funding, timing, and environmental review.

3. Last Meeting Minutes

The meeting minutes from the March 16th meeting were circulated and accepted.

a) Business Arising from Last Meeting's Minutes

i: **CN Ocean Dock deterioration and future demolition plan update:** The land and waterlot in question are owned by CN. PRPA is aware of the issue and has brought it forward with CN. Discussions are ongoing regarding this issue. Any future plans, including decommissioning of the dock will be the responsibility of CN. PRPA will continue to have these discussions with them regarding the site and safety of the dock.

4. Port Update

A) Major Projects Update

Vopak Pacific Canada

BC's Environmental Assessment Office has issued a certificate of approval for the proposed Vopak Pacific Canada Project. The environmental assessment approval contains project conditions related to developing GHG emissions reduction plan and ongoing local community and Indigenous engagement..

This determination does not reflect a final investment decision from Vopak Pacific Canada.

Federal regulatory authorities have been undergoing a federal environmental assessment, which is still currently underway. PRPA is a regulatory authority in this process, and has jointly worked with other federal authorities, including Environment & Climate Change Canada and Transport Canada.

Connector Corridor

The Connector Corridor project is nearly complete, with paving currently underway. Once paving is complete and DP World completes its Southern Expansion and relocates their truck gate, the Connector Corridor will be operational. PRPA expects this to happen in July.

Fairview North

The next phase of expansion, which will increase capacity to 1.8 million TEUs, will relocate administration and maintenance buildings to the North side of Fairview Terminal, adding more track and optimize yard efficiencies. This project, led by DP World, is currently undergoing an environmental review under the Impact Assessment Act (PRPA, Fisheries & Oceans, and TC are the environmental regulators).

Q: Once the EA is approved, to move the maintenance and administration buildings, will they build new buildings on the administration side first?

A: Not sure the order in which they plan to reconfigure.

Q: Have any of the federal authorities made a determination?

A: No, they have not made a determination.

Q: In terms of the Connector Corridor Road, will that project eliminate all the truck traffic through town?

A: While there may be rare exceptions, container truck traffic will be eliminated.

PRPA's Annual Public Meeting & Breakfast Panel

PRPA's Annual Public Meeting will be held on June 15th at 5:00 p.m. in the B.C. Room at the Crest Hotel.

PRPA is planning to host a breakfast panel later that week on Friday June 17th in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce to discuss supply chain resiliency and innovation. PRPA is working with the Chamber to finalize the details and will provide you with more information very soon.

2022 Cruise Schedule

There has been an increase in cruise sailings for the 2022 season, from an anticipated 14,000 passengers to over 60,000 passengers (at maximum capacity) and 16 additional vessel calls. The first “Ruby Princess” arrived yesterday, Tuesday May 17th.

B) Community Investments and Events

Most recently, through PRPA’s Community Investment Fund a partnership with Shames My Mountain Co-op was announced to fund two of their critical infrastructure projects: a conveyor lift for their bunny hill and tube lanes, as well as a parking lot expansion project that improves safety and functionality at the hill.

C) Upcoming Chamber Partnerships

On May 25th, Ken Veldman, PRPA’s Vice President of Public Affairs and Sustainability will be presenting at the Chamber Lunch. The following day on May 26th, PRPA, in partnership with Community Futures and the Chamber will be conducting a business walk.

That same evening, the partners will be hosting a Business after Business at Wheelhouse Brewing to share information about the Make Prince Rupert Home program and recruitment initiatives.

5. New Business – Round Table

Q: Is there a timeframe for completion of the Northland Foods Building?

A: We anticipate June 2022

Q: Is there an update on the second berth at Trigon?

A: We will reach out with any additional information.

Next Meeting

Next meeting date – in-person, September 14, 2022

- i. Proposed Port Tour of Ridley Island hosted by PRPA.

Meeting adjourned 6:01 PM by Brittany.