

BOUCHIE-MILBURN COMMUNITY
Community Planning Team Meeting
Established 2018
May 22, 2018 - 7 - 9 pm
Bouchie Lake Hall, Bouchie Lake, BC

Facilitator: Susan MacNeill

Scribe: Heloise Dixon-Warren

In Attendance: Susan MacNeill, Victoria Malone, Dale Moskalyk, Peggy Smith, John Smith, Heloise Dixon-Warren, David Law

Susan called meeting to order: 7:08 pm

1. Request all Draft Submissions for a Mission Statement be read, circulated & discussed

Draft submissions for a Mission Statement; Tabled to next meeting

2. **Airport Referendum Proposal - link sent out, discussion to follow**
See link - <https://www.cariboord.bc.ca/services/airports/airports-2>

Legally have to have referendum to create a Taxation Function

Why should we pay for an airport?

CRD Electoral Area: 12,772 residents

City of Quesnel: 9,879 residents

Residential Tax Rate to support the airport will be \$3.65 / \$100,000.00

Option to pay a User Fee (Airport Improvement Fee)

Some would gladly pay a tax to have the airport at \$3.65 / \$100,000.00

Threat / Scare Tactics: *"The lack of financial support from rural residents may result in a reduction of airport services and jeopardize the long-term viability of the airport"*

"As rural areas of the N. Cariboo receive the economic and social benefits of the airport, the Cariboo Regional District is proposing a new tax for rural areas to support the airport". How does this benefit the residents of Strathnaver?

What's the question on the Referendum?

Action (Susan): *When is public consultation on the Airport Referendum?*

Action: *The Committee is tasked to spread the word on this upcoming Referendum and ask questions.*

Action: Ask Jerry Bruce on May 29th, 7 pm

3. **Taxation Function Establishment - using Bouchie Lake Fire Protection (example)**
(See attached Documents)

Table below displays number of properties in BL Fire Protection Boundary and 108 Mile Greenbelt

Bouchie Lake Fire Protection: Annual Budget: \$126,844

Discussion proceeded regarding the process of up a Taxation Function for “Green Spaces and Trails” using the “108 Mile Greenbelt Commission” as an example and based upon resident and tax function items for the Bouchie Lake Fire Protection

4. Community Priorities

Heloise will summarize the results of the poll on “Bouchie-Milburn Living” fb group page

Road Safety Discussion (Highway)

David will pose the following questions to Brad Moore, Ministry of Transportation and Highways

Safety: Why do signs say slow to 70 km./hr. past the BL Hall and Rec. grounds (Provincial Highway); Dale suggests it should be 50 km. past the school; Provincial Paved Highway - minimum speed is 80 km./hr.

“60 km. Ends”????

Street Lights being installed (Nazko and Blackwater Road and Bonny Road); Cross Walk; Advanced Warning Lights (flashing lights)?

50 km. zone leading up to Cross Walk???

Trails Along the Highway: can community have legal access to the right-of-way between the highway and private land; what is the process? What about un-licensed vehicles (e.g. quads, dirt bikes, etc.) accessing this land; addresses a safety concern

Who is funding the Lights? Electricity?

5. Identify projects, goals, plans from each group - this was a request that went out earlier

Bouchie Lake Stewardship Group: no up date; sign pending approval from M. of Transportation to erect sign at Milburn Lake

Proposal to develop a Park on Bouchie Lake (on Norwood Road; west of Barker Road)

2 lots for sale on Bouchie Lake - on Norwood down from Barker Road

108 Greenbelt Commission -

DL 4509 - Lot C and Lot D - potentially low land

Discussion on the establishment of a Tax Function and creation of a Commission under the CRD (similar to the 108 Green Belt Commission)

ACTION: Dale will research details on GB Commission (Bylaw, Governance, etc.)

Right-of-Way Access to the Lake
10 Highway R/W Access to Bouchie Lake
Open up access - so the community can access the lake

Quesnel and District Riding Club

Community Obstacle Course
West Fraser - harvest their own land behind Rockys
No Fee incurred to the community
Community Obstacle Course - developed on BL Rec. Grounds
Multi-Use: kids on foot, bicycles, horses
Partner is the Bouchie Lake Elementary School

Covered Area - Warm Up Arena
QDRC Roof Committee - model has been created
Dome or Timber Framed? (sides or open?)
Quotes being secured
Multi-Use: Evacuations / Non-Equine Related Groups / Trade shows / etc.

Action: Victoria will enquire whether the BL Rec. Commission has discussed the Arena Project; will tax dollars be allocated to the project?; fundraising; these questions may be too premature

Friends of Bouchie-Milburn Society

Beautification of M. of T. Lands between the Nazko Road and Bonny Road; Right-of-Way (Mowed, Trees to be Pruned)
Apply for a Permit so the land can be managed (beautified); Letters of Support from other groups would be beneficial
Relocated the Community Garden (Pallet Vegetable Gardens / raised gardens)
Extend "Bouchie-Milburn Community Park"
3-sided Kiosk - Gateway to Bouchie - Milburn (promote the community - e.g. lakes, Telegraph Trail, local businesses, maps, etc.)
Other Vision: original buildings (cabin)
Pioneer Park - managed under the BL Rec. Commission
Request: Letters of Support requested from other groups

6. Potential Action Items - need to set priorities (in minutes of last meeting)

ACTION: working committee that is moving things forward... start putting words on the map

- 1) Bouchie Lake Stewardship Groups
- 2) QDRC
- 3) Friends of Bouchie-Milburn Society

7. What is your Personal Vision for our community - discussion Bouchie Lake on the map!

“Pioneers of Bouchie Lake” - Dale would like for this book to be updated;
 Word Spinners is updating “Tribute to the Past”

8. May 29th - Meeting with Jerry Bruce at the BL Hall

9. Adopt Terms of Reference - are we ready?

Next Meeting: June 26, 2018 (7-9pm) Venue - Bouchie Lake Hall

Regional District			(All) ▾		
				# of Folios	Assessed Value
				Values	
				Sum of Folios	Sum of Assessed Values
Service Area	PC Co	Property Class			
▣ 3 - 108 Grnbelt Recreation LSA#45	▣ 01	Residential		1,464	285,653,050
	▣ 02	Utilities		20	8,997,120
	▣ 06	Business And Other		31	3,618,400
	▣ 08	Rec/Non Profit		9	1,242,300
	▣ 09	Farm		4	7,818
3 - 108 Grnbelt Recreation LSA#45 Total				1,528	299,518,688
▣ C - Bouchie Lk Fire Prot LSA#4	▣ 01	Residential		1,465	176,389,424
	▣ 02	Utilities		5	177,600
	▣ 05	Light Industry		2	-
	▣ 06	Business And Other		11	1,295,900
	▣ 07	Managed Forest Land		2	38,500
	▣ 08	Rec/Non Profit		1	884,000
	▣ 09	Farm		88	896,642
C - Bouchie Lk Fire Prot LSA#4 Total				1,574	179,682,066
Grand Total				3,102	479,200,754