October 13, 2004

Union of British Columbia Municipalities
UBCM Aboriginal Affairs Committee
Suite 60, 10551 Shellbridge Way
Richmond, BC V6X 2W9

Dear Mr. Dinwoodie:

Re: Funding For Chetwynd & District 2nd Local Government & First Nations Regional Community to Community Forum

Attached are the expenditures and minutes, material and package from the Community to Community Forum in Chetwynd with our area First Nations and Local government.

The date of the Forum was October 13, 2004 with 24 people in attendance.

This meeting went extremely well. The communication, commitment of projects and meeting of new members opened doors and restored relationships within the organizations. This meeting enabled all parties to bring to the table topics of joint interest and future plans. All participants agreed to meet again soon.

Yours truly,

CHETWYND & AREA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

[Signature]
E. Calliou
Economic Development Officer
# Budget Break-down Summary
Chetwynd 2nd Local Government & First Nations Regional Community to Community Forum

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**Total Funding Requested (50%)**  
$1702.50
Chetwynd & District 2nd Annual
Local Government and First Nations
Regional Community to Community Forum

Itinerary

➢ 5:00 p.m. Social
➢ Welcome from Mayor Saugstad, MC
➢ Introductions
➢ 5:30 p.m. Dinner
➢ 7:00 p.m. Agenda Items and/or Presentations
➢ District of Chetwynd – Discussion Topics
➢ EDC Initiatives
  ➢ Community Forest
  ➢ Communication
  ➢ Consultation / Municipal Bylaw – Mike Redfearn, CAO
➢ Comments from Saulteau First Nations
➢ McLeod Lake Indian Band – Economic Overview
➢ Comments from West Moberly First Nations
➢ Closing remarks
Chetwynd & District 2nd Local Government & First Nations Regional Community to Community Forum

Notes

Date: October 13, 2004
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location Cottonwood Hall, Recreation Centre

Present
Evan Saugstad, Mayor
Bob Nicholson, Councillor
Brenda Maisey, Councillor
Laverne Norris, Councillor
Mark Wilfur, Councillor
Merlin Nichols, Councillor
Wayne Rose, Councillor
Ellen Calliou, Economic Development Officer
Mike Redfearn, Chief Administrative Officer
Sheree Smith, Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce
Tim Caton, Area E Director
Alec Chingee - MLIB
Bob Inkpen, Economic Development Officer - MLIB
Brandi Scott, Councillor - WMFN
Brenda Courtorille, Councillor - SFN
Clarence Willson, Councillor – WMFN
Denise Caron, Councillor – SFN
Derek Orr, Land Referral - MLIB
Gary Jung, General Manager - SFN
Georgina Chingee, - MLIB
Kori Dokkie, Councillor – WMFN
Roland Wilson, Chief – West Moberly FN
Tanya Solonas, Councillor - MLIB
Verne Solonas, Councillor – MLIB

1. 5 p.m. Social

2. Welcome from Mayor Saugstad, MC

3. Introductions
   ➢ Everyone attending stated their names and titles.

4. 5:30 p.m. Dinner
Presentations

5. District of Chetwynd - Discussion Topics
   ➢ Chetwynd & Area Economic Development Commission Initiatives
     ♦ Community Forests
     ♦ Communication
     ♦ Consultation/Municipal Bylaw

   ➢ Community Forest

   Recommendations:
   The Chetwynd & Area Economic Development Commission has been working on partnering projects for a Community Forest. Community Forests means something to all of us.

   Outcome:
   Letters have been sent to government and Forestry District on the interest from Saulteau First Nations, West Moberly First Nations, & McLeod Lake Indian Band.

   ➢ Communication

   Recommendations:
   Communication and opportunities to meet like this are important. Improving timelines and communication is something that we are committed to and will strive to improve upon.

   Outcome:
   All parties are committed to working hard on timely communication when possible.

   ➢ Health Services

   Recommendations:
   Provincial Government, lobby together. Working to keep our extended care will have to be a joint effort.

   Outcome:
   Need to increase acute care 5 to 8, also need to redesign palliative care? Chetwynd Health Committee working on issues will meet every 3rd Thursday of every month to discuss these issues. Everyone is invited to attend.
 Consultation/Municipal Bylaw
Local Governments may be required to undertake consultation with First Nations if it
plans to take an action where aboriginal title or rights may be infringed. Local
Governments are required to consider whether consultation is required with First Nations.
➢ The local government is acquiring an interest in Crown land by permit, licence,
lease, grant or otherwise part of process.
➢ The local government is making use of their own lands in a way that will impact
aboriginal title or rights.
➢ The local government is regulating the use of Crown land through a zoning bylaw
zoned for public use.
➢ The local government rezones to permit new uses that impact aboriginal title or
rights where reserve lands are adjacent.
➢ The local government develops, amends or repeals an Official Community Plan

Recommendations:
That First Nations be involved throughout the process and also have the opportunity
to be more involved in current issues.
Outcome:
The Chief Administrative Officer will contact both bands about upcoming scheduled
meetings for OCP.

6. Saulteau Representatives Discussed
Goals & efforts to train our youth and to work here.

Recommendations:
To network for youth initiatives & training,
Outcome:
More communication & networking for Community programs and initiatives.

7. Common Goals
McLeod Lake Indian Band gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Economic Overviews,
see attached.

8. Comments from West Moberly First Nations
Verbal comments from Chief Willson:
We are open for communication, it is important to us to figure out our differences. We
have hard working council members who are honourable, and have a high level of
integrity, with respect for everyone. We come here to the table with the intention to do
what we say, and we mean it! We have the guidance of our elders.

➢ Discussion among the Groups
Recommendations:
Discuss bylaws, regulations eg: Dog bylaw common issue for all parties.
Outcome:
Contact District Administration for a copy of bylaw from Chetwynd.
9. Closing Remarks

Recommendations:
Have more discussions to improve relationships.

Outcome:
Meeting again in 2005, continue networking on common goals.

Adjourned 8:30 p.m.
McLeod Lake Indian Band
McLeod Lake Indian Band

Chief and Council
Chief Harley Chingee
Councillor Betty Solonas
Councillor Tanya Solonas
Councillor Verne Solonas
Councillor Eureka Carty
Councillor Josie Tylee
Councillor Lucy Martin

McLeod Lake Indian Band

- Part of the Tse’Kehne Nation
- 428 Band Members (2004)
- Indian Reserves at McLeod Lake; Mackenzie; and Bear Lake
- McLeod Lake Indian Band Development Corporation

McLeod Lake Indian Band Development Corporation

Mission Statement
To produce economic and social benefits to its members within the traditional and cultural values, and to assist other First Nations to do likewise.
To do business in a professional, equitable and ethical manner.
To be treated with respect and be given the opportunity to participate with Industry, First Nations and Government.

McLeod Lake Indian Band Development Corporation

Objectives
- Make McLeod Lake Indian Band richer through the development of existing and new business
- Create jobs for Band Members
- Help Band Members start their own business
- Train Band Members for employment
- Protect Tse’Kehne Traditional Territory

McLeod Lake Indian Band Development Corporation

Land Referral Office

The mandate of the Land Referral Office is to represent the interests of McLeod Lake Indian Band to those who have an interest in developing land within the Traditional Territory.
**McLeod Lake Indian Band Development Corporation**

**Land Referral Office**  
4821 South Access Road  
Chetwynd

- Alec Chingee, Manager Land Referral  
- Derek Orr, Land Referral Officer  
- For 2003-2004, 469 land referrals were made by the Oil and Gas Commission

**Economic Development**

- Bob Inkpen, Manager  
  Offices in Chetwynd and Pr. George  
- Economic Development Services  
  - Business Planning  
  - Business Financing  
  - Business Advice  
  - Real Estate

**Businesses**

- Duz Cho Logging  
  - Duz Cho Construction  
  - Summit Pipelines Services Ltd  
  - Duz Cho Technology  
  - Chuneh Magazine

**Business Development**

- Fay Masear, Manager  
- Joint Ventures Pursued and Evaluated  
  - Crew Camps  
  - District of Tumbler Ridge  
  - Eco-Tourism  
  - Coal

**Duz Cho Logging**

- Logging in the Mackenzie area  
- 600,000 cubic meters annually  
- Approximately 50 pieces of logging equipment

**Duz Cho Construction**

- Based in Chetwynd  
- Marvin Johnston, Manager  
- Arlene Solonas, Office Administrator  
- Cheryl Chingee, Receptionist/Safety Co-ordinator  
- Duz Cho Construction does heavy equipment work preparing drilling sites in the oil and gas industry  
- 11 pieces of owned construction equipment
Summit Pipeline Services

- Based in Thunder Bay, Ontario
- 80% owned by McLeod Lake Indian Band, with 40% of shares for sale
- Engaged in
  - Pipeline construction
  - Pipeline inspection, maintenance, and repair
- Oil and Gas Industry; Pulp and Paper; Municipal Sewer Systems
- New Offices in Chetwynd, Prince George, and Calgary.

Duz Cho Technology

- Data management
  - Digital records
  - Archives
- Web pages

Chuneh Magazine

- Quarterly
- Articles from an Aboriginal perspective
- Open to all
- Central and Northern British Columbia

McLeod Lake Indian Band

- General Delivery
  McLeod Lake, BC V0J 3G0
  250 750 4415

- PO Box 64, 4821 South Access Road
  Chetwynd, BC, V0C 1J0
  250 750 8823
First Nations and government exchange ideas

By Denise Everett

All parties involved in the Chetwynd and District 2nd Annual Local Government and First Nations Regional Community Forum said the event was extremely productive. Last Wednesday, approximately 30 representatives from the District of Chetwynd, Peace River Regional District, Saulteau First Nations (SFN), West Moberly First Nations (WMFN), and the McLeod Lake Indian Band (MLIB) came together in an informal atmosphere to discuss areas of mutual interest and help improve communication lines between all those involved.

“This sets the stage for building relationships with our neighbours,” stated WMFN Chief Roland Willson.

MLIB says they welcomed the opportunity to exchange ideas, particularly relating to economic development.

“With all the industrial development in coal mining and in oil and gas, there is a lot of opportunity to expand business and create new jobs,” said Bob Inkpen, of MLIB’s Economic Development Commission. “Discussions were had regarding the training of people for industrial jobs and working to bring business to Chetwynd.”

Chief Willson agreed that the new coal mines are creating a lot of opportunities. In fact, just this week WMFN signed a contract that secures employment with Western Canadian Coal. Willson also spoke about how the band is working hard to complete its Heritage Village Project.

“We’re hoping it will be done in the spring,” commented Willson, who says the project is going to give a huge boost to local tourism.

“When that’s up and running it’s really going to draw people to the area.”

Mayor Evan Sangstad said that the forum was a chance for all parties to discuss ways that they could work together.

“The forum covered issues of mutual interest—can we share people and resources for projects like water and sewer systems, building inspections or consultants? We can work together to save costs and deliver a better result,” explained Mayor Sangstad.

Many felt that the forum was so informative that it should be held more than once a year.

“A quarterly meeting would be good,” said Denise Caron, a Councillor at SFN.

“It’s a heads-up on what’s happening in our community and in our own backyard.”