



## MINUTES

BRAED Board of Directors MEETING  
 Communiplex, Wainwright, AB  
 Hall 1  
 September 13, 2018

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**Board of Directors of the Battle River Alliance for Economic Development (BRAED) was held in the Wainwright Communiplex - Hall 1, 700 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Wainwright, Alberta**

**Communities:**

Coronation: Shelley Cook  
 Daysland: Ed Kusalik  
 Edgerton: Wes Laporte  
 Holden: John Markel  
 Irma: Joan Green  
 Lougheed: Susan Armer  
 M.D. of Wainwright: Phil Valleau  
 Ryley: Brian Ducherer  
 Tofield: Larry Tiedemann  
 Viking: Debbie O'Toole Balaban, Doug Lefsrud  
 Wainwright: Carley Herbert, Will Challenger, Bob Foley

Associate Member: Arnold Hanson

AB Economic Development: Dawna Allard

BRAED Executive Director: Cathy Goulet

Administration: Regrets

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Supper 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Board of Directors Meeting – 6:30pm – 8:00pm

**1. Call to Order - Welcome & Introductions**

Chair, Brian Ducherer called the Board of Director's Meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:** That the agenda of September 13<sup>th</sup> be approved

Moved: E. Kusalik

**CARRIED**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** That the minutes from April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting be approved as read.

Moved: L. Tiedemann

**CARRIED**

**4. Guest Speaker**

**a. Peter Burgess, M. Eng., Site Manager,  
Defence Construction Canada (DCC)/ Construction de Defense Canada (CDC)**

- Defence Construction Canada Presentation followed by Question and Answer, Defense Construction Canada is a Crown Corporation and all work is done exclusively for the Department of National Defence (DND). DCC has sites and regional offices across Canada.

Information about doing Business with DCC can be found at MERX at [www.merx.com](http://www.merx.com)

- General Contractors must have Designated Organizational Screening (DOS) to be able to submit bids (takes 3-6 months to get) with delays are most often caused by incomplete applications.

- Opportunity is growing more in maintenance services such as fire and life safety inspections and servicing mechanical equipment.

Presentation available at [www.BRAEDalberta.ca](http://www.BRAEDalberta.ca)

**5. Financial Update: Presented by Cathy Goulet**

**Motion:** That the financial update be accepted as information.

Moved: A. Hanson

**CARRIED**

**6. Update on 2018-19 Operational Year-to-date – Cathy Goulet**

**a. Value – added Agriculture Program**

- provided as information

**b. Marketing Program**

- provided as information

**c. Office Move**

- provided as information

**7. Notice of discussion – BRAED Remuneration policy**

- The Town of Tofield has requested a review of BRAED's remuneration policy.

**Motion:** That the membership of BRAED review the organization's policies and procedures with regards to Executive member remuneration at its next Board of Directors meeting, tentatively scheduled for Dec 12, 2018.

Moved: S. Armer

**CARRIED**

**8. Next Meeting**

- Next Board of Directors Meeting – Tentatively set for Dec 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Paintearth County

**9. Regional Round Table – Members**

See handout – BREOC Briefing

**Highlights from the Round Table**

- Lougheed – Susan Armer
  - Infrastructure Study
  - Job training in the hall
  - had the fair
  - hired a student
  - Library runs three days a week
- Viking – Debbie O'Toole, Doug Lefsrud
  - Business Incentives being launched
  - P & H Grain Terminal & Fertilizer Plant, are recruiting staff and are hoping for 20 families to locate to Viking
  - Wildrose Co-Op Cardlock Opening
  - Completing annexation for 13 lots industrial
- Edgerton – Wes Laporte
  - Walking trails completed
  - Village Block Party and July Sports Day both successful
  - Village hired a plumber with a plan to transition to a business. He is learning to be an entrepreneur with training by the village
- Irma – Joan Green

- New school progressing, walls are up
  - Water retention project
  - ICCI collaboration project
  - Irma Days are busy with recreation, population triples during that time
- Wainwright – Carley Herbert
    - New doctor starting Monday and another in New Year
    - Did Health Skills Days with AHS and working on making it annual, in order to get High School students interested in health careers
    - Hospital renovation underway
    - Approval in place to fundraise for CT scanner – multi million-dollar project
    - Health care aid project starts September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – it is filled
    - Entrepreneurship training and One on One coaching underway
    - SBW Gala
    - Christmas Event with Angus Watt
    - Holiday Inn Express coming
    - 3 new builds downtown
- Wainwright – Will Challenger
    - Water retention ponds built to get water out of town
    - Doing a census next year
    - Wainwright is opening a new residential development
    - Getting a new school is next on AB Infrastructure's build list
- Associate Member – Arnold Hanson
    - Agriculture is his interest
- MD of Wainwright – Phil Valleau
    - RFP for paving program next year
    - Did rural recreation area trail
- Coronation – Shelley Cook
    - FCSS Cancer prevention pilot program (food, exercise, education)
    - Put solar lights along walking paths so people can walk at night
    - 3 C's (Castor, Consort, Coronation) working together on hockey and only one town puts in ice early to save costs
    - Paving streets around town
- Tofield – Larry Tiedemann
    - Twinning of rail west of Tofield has had a big impact on delays at rail crossings, They are hoping to get wait times down to 2 minutes

- Holden – John Markel
  - Fertilizer plant was opened
  - New ice making plant
  
- Daysland – Ed Kusalik
  
- Ryley – Brian Ducherer
  - Health Foundation paying for free swim
  - Some industry coming - needs a public notice
  - Holden Manor has a smoking room inside, and are now going to allow cannabis smoking in that room
  - BMS doing extremely well, puts \$5m a year back to member municipalities
  - BMS is trying to become a municipal controlled Corporation so they can expand their markets
  
- EDT – Dawna Allard
  - Waiting to hear on CARES intake four announcements
  - Next intake opens Oct 1-31 and she can coach applicants
  - Proposed REDA Chairs meeting with Minister Bilous on November 19th
  - AMA & RMA booths being paid for by EDT for REDA's
  - Bill One – the first tax credits (AITC, CITC) introduced in 1996
  - Bill Two – tax credit for community development corporations. For communities up to populations of 25,000
    - Two types of Corporations for community investments
    - Investment Corp or Operation Development Corp
    - \$3million available annually, 30% credit – can apply at anytime

## 10. Adjournment

B. Ducherer adjourned the meeting at 7:50pm

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Stan Schulmeister, Secretary

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Brian Ducherer, Chair