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June 3, 2009

Reply to the attention of Ron Wallace
ALC File: MM-38920

Rob Tiessen
Camp Squeah
4-27915 Trans Canada Highway
Hope, BC V0X1L3

Dear Sir:

Re: Application for Non-Farm Use in the Agricultural Land Reserve

Please find attached the Minutes of Resolution # 179/2009 outlining the Commission's decision as it relates to the above noted application. As agent, it is your responsibility to notify your client(s) accordingly.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Per:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erik Karlsen', is written over a horizontal line.

Erik Karlsen, Chair

Enclosure: Minutes

cc: Mennonite Church of BC 100-32025 George Ferguson Way Abbotsford, BC V2T2K7
Fraser Valley Regional District (3015-20-2009-01)
BC Assessment, Abbotsford

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i/MM-38920d1



MINUTES OF THE PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

A meeting was held by the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission on April 21, 2009 in Yale, B.C.

PRESENT:	Sylvia Pranger Michael Bose John Tomlinson Tony Pellett	Chair, South Coast Panel Commissioner Commissioner Staff
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For Consideration

Application: # MM- 38920
 Applicant: Mennonite Church of BC
 Agent: Camp Squeah Rob Tiessen

Proposal: The Mennonite Church of British Columbia (MCBC) has operated Camp Squeah on the subject property since the 1960's and is applying for two building permits to construct new dormitory buildings. The camp is seeking a non-farm use for entire property to avoid further approvals from the ALC.

Legal: PID: 014-904-152
 That Part of the North East 1/4 of Section 27 Lying South of the Southern Line and the Production Thereof Westward of the Town of Emory (Otherwise Designated District Lot 12 Yale Division of Yale District) To its Intersection with the West Boundary of Said Northeast 1/4 of Said Section and to the North of the South Boundary of the Said Northeast 1/4 of Said Section; Township 6, Range 26, West of the 6th Meridian, Yale Division of Yale District, EXCEPT That Part lying Between Two Lines Parallel to the Centre Line of the Canadian Pacific Railway Right-of-Way; the Said Line to the East being 49.0 Feet and the Said Line to the West Being 50.0 Feet Perpendicularly Distant from the Said Centre Line as the Same is now Located and Constructed Across the Said Lands and Land Adjoining Same Except Plan 42348

PID: 014-903-717
 That Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 27 Lying West of the Fraser River as Shown on a Plan of Said Township Dated at Ottawa 03/04/1890; Township 6, Range 26, West of the 6th Meridian, Yale Division of Yale District, EXCEPT That Part Lying Between Two Lines Parallel to the Centre Line of the Canadian Pacific Railway Right-of-Way; the Said Line to the East Being 49.0 Feet and the Said Line to the West 50.0 Feet Perpendicularly Distant From the Said Centre Line as the Same is now Located and Constructed across the Said Lands and Land Adjoining the Same Except Plan 42348

Location: 27915 Trans Canada Highway, north of Hope

Site Inspection

A site inspection was conducted on April 21, 2009. Those in attendance were:

- Sylvia Pranger Chair, South Coast Panel
- Michael Bose Commissioner

- John Tomlinson Commissioner
- Tony Pellett Staff
- Rob Tiessen Applicant

The Commissioners and staff met with the applicant to discuss the proposal.

Context

The proposal was weighed against the purposes of the Commission as stipulated in section 6 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* (the "Act"). They are:

1. to preserve agricultural land
2. to encourage farming on agricultural land in collaboration with other communities of interest, and
3. to encourage local governments, first nations, the government and its agents to enable and accommodate farm use of agricultural land and uses compatible with agriculture in their plans, bylaws and policies.

Discussion

The Commission has no objection to the non-farm use specifying that the existing use may continue with site and building upgrades as necessary. No further Commission approval is needed unless significant change in use is proposed, at which time an exclusion application would be considered.

IT WAS

MOVED BY: Commissioner Bose
SECONDED BY: Commissioner Pranger

THAT the application be allowed subject to the following condition:

- approval for non-farm use is granted for the sole benefit of the applicant and is non-transferable.

This decision does not relieve the owner or occupier of the responsibility to comply with applicable Acts, regulations, bylaws of the local government, and decisions and orders of any person or body having jurisdiction over the land under an enactment.

CARRIED

Resolution # 179/2009