Marsh Lake Local Advisory Council Regular Meeting, January 10, 2024 Unapproved Minutes

Swearing in of Gary Pettifor as Councillor of Ward 4, Army Beach / South M'Clintock occurred before the meeting start.

1. Call To Order.

The Regular Meeting of January 10, 2024, was called to order at 7:12 p.m. Chair Latour welcomed Gary Pettifor as new Ward 4 Council member.

1A. Roll Call.

Present were Joanne Johnson, Walter Latour and Gary Pettifor. Absent with regrets was Blair Corley and Erik Pinkerton. 4 observers.

2. Adoption Of Agenda.

Motion # 1. Motion THAT the agenda be adopted with the Moved by Joanne Johnson, Seconded by Gary Pettifor. Vote: Unanimous.

Motion #1 Carried.

3. Adoption Of Previous Meeting Minutes.

Minutes of the November 2023 meeting were read.

Motion # 2. Motion THAT the minutes be accepted with type-os corrected. Moved by Joanne Johnson, Seconded by Gary Pettifor. Vote: 3 in favour.

Motion # 2 Carried.

4. Guest Speakers and Public Discussions.

4.a. MLA for Southern Lakes John Streicker updated Council on setting up a time for a follow up on the flood committee meeting With Minister Richard Mostyn and Deputy Minister Matt King. Engagement for the Animal Control Act should take place in March and residents should be aware of new regulations for dealing with dogs at that time.

Johnston Road cul-de-sac issue will be brought to residents to discuss options.

Yukon Energy will be applying for a licence renewal requesting changes to water levels. Lower levels in spring is seen as flood mitigation. However, there is objection from First Nations and other concerned organizations to the raising of any water levels.

4.b. Update from Community Advisor Riel Allain. A Bear Aware Workshop will be looked at for April, which could include an electric fence demo with a two-day bear info session.

The Marsh Lake Emergency Plan is outdated, and Council would like to bring EMO to the community to discuss an update. Mount Lorne is having a preparedness event and it would benefit Marsh Lake to also have one.

On February 5th an open house on flood mapping for Marsh Lake will be happening. The Water Branch would like to have input on the process and results.

5. Report From the Chair & Correspondence.

Nil report.

6. Committee Reports.

6.a. AYC: There was a regular meeting on December 2. Council agreed to share agenda items for community input. Most items are dealing with municipality issues and don't always concern Local Advisory Councils.

6.b. Marsh Lake Community Society: nil report.

6.c. Marsh Lake Emergency Services Society: nil report.

6.d. Marsh Lake Solid Waste Management Facility: After some controversy over staff taking Boxing Day off, the facility was open that day with extra staff covering the shift.

7. Old Business.

No Old Business.

8. New Business and Question Period.

Two long time Marsh Lake residents passed away in December.

Jean Kapala was a devoted volunteer for Marsh Lake, involved with the Community Society, the Southern Lakes Water Committee and the Bear Aware program for many years. Her dedication was much admired.

Craig Smith was an original resident of Judas Creek, well known for volunteering around the community, especially with community celebrations.

A reminder was made that the Water Level Committee is still active and will continue to monitor the Yukon Energy Corporation's licence applications and meetings.

9. Adjournment.

Next meeting will be February 14, 2024. Chair Latour adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.