

Marsh Lake Local Advisory Council

Regular Meeting, March 11, 2020

Approved Minutes

1. Call To Order.

The Regular Meeting of March 11, 2020 was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

1A. Roll Call.

Present were Blair Corley, Joanne Johnson, Walter Latour, Jo-Anne Smith and Judy Prevost.
4 observers.

2. Adoption of Agenda.

Motion # 1.

Motion THAT the agenda be adopted as posted.

Moved by Blair Corley, Seconded by Walter Latour.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion # 1 Carried.

3. Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes.

Minutes of the February 12, 2020 meeting were read.

Motion # 2.

Motion THAT the minutes be accepted as read.

Moved by Walter Latour, Seconded by Joanne Johnson.

Vote: 5 in favour.

Motion # 2 Carried.

3.a. Business from the Minutes.

Councillor Judy Prevost and Chair Jo-Anne Smith received remarks after last meeting reminding Council to keep a professional attitude during meetings.

4. Guest Speakers and Public Discussions.

4.a. Dave Albisser, Director, Community Operations, gave a brief report on the sewage lagoon. The Dept of the Environment was consulted on using a drying bed to dry the sludge, which may then be transported outside the territory. The project will need to get YESSAB approval. If constructed this summer the bed should be ready to use by fall. Monitoring the site has challenges and difficulties and will be worked on. Tipping Fees for Solid Waste Facility begin April 1.: Phase One is ready with fees to mirror Whitehorse landfill fees. Free store drop offs will be charged for similar to garbage to prevent users from dumping their garbage at the free store. Attendants will take debit, cash or a punch card available through Yukon Government vendors. There should be no charge for bringing in recycling.

4.b. Updates from Community Advisor Sarah Russo: Yukon Parks is planning changes at the Marsh Lake Day Use area. A rebuilt accessible bridge, expanded playground and overnight walk in tenting is proposed.

There will be a spring LAC Forum around April 17th at Tagish.

5. Report from the Chair & Correspondence.

There is a request for a public meeting in Marsh Lake for a presentation on FireSmart, Wray Lyons has agreed to be the Emergency Measures contact for the department and will be working on updating the 2012 outdated plan. A presentation with Council will happen after which they will set up a Wildland Fire public meeting. Although this year Emergency Measures department is handling the Covid-19 pandemic, there will still be a fire season and residents need information on how to prepare private properties.

The issue of a generator for the community centre has been raised again. This would allow the community centre to be set up as a proper evacuation point for residents. It was agreed to discuss it further with Community Services as an infrastructure item.

Motion # 3.

Motion THAT Council approach Community services with an infrastructure request for a generator for the Community Centre. cc to Kirsti Muller and MLA John Streicker.

Moved by Walter Latour, Seconded by Blair Corley.

Vote: 5 in favour.

Motion # 3 Carried.

6. Committee Reports.

6.a. AYC: AGM will take place in Watson Lake on May 7 to 10.

6.b. Marsh Lake Community Society: Greg Sim gave updates on a highway welcome sign with a website address posted. Volunteer appreciation dance is scheduled for April 4th.

6.c. Marsh Lake Emergency Services Society: Blair Corley reported on new recruits and the AGM scheduled for May with elections.

6.d. Marsh Lake Solid Waste Management Society: nil report.

7. Old Business.

Update of infrastructure wish list.

Sewage Lagoon, auxiliary power for community centre, Army Beach lake accesses, Fire Hall annex in Army Beach.

8. New Business and Question Period.

Walter Latour reported on a tourism workshop last week. A rep from Whitepass stated the first ship is scheduled to arrive in Skagway April 23.

Recently, Yukoners who had attended a Mining conference resulted in 40 people being tested for Covid-19 and were asked to self isolate.

9. Adjournment.

Next meeting will be April 8th.

Chair Jo-Anne Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.