

Marsh Lake Local Advisory Council

Regular Meeting, September 11, 2019

Approved Minutes

1. Call To Order.

The Regular Meeting of September 11, 2019 was called to order at 6:58 p.m.

1A. Roll Call.

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

2. Adoption Of Agenda.

Motion # 1.

Motion THAT the agenda move the presentation by YEC & Stanton moved up on agenda to before meeting minutes.

Moved by Walter Latour, Seconded by Judy Prevost.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion # 1 Carried.

4. Guest Speakers and Public Discussions.

4.a. Stantec & YEC Presentation: Zoe Morrison, Community Planner for Stantec Services and Travis Ritchie from Yukon Energy Corp, gave a presentation on the Southern Lakes Enhanced Storage Project for raising the lake levels on Marsh, Tagish and Bennett Lakes. The lake levels will be raised 30cm higher at high water level and 10cm lower at the low season. This was first proposed in 2009 and is on going. They state there will be only 47 properties impacted and will spend only 1.2 million in mitigation. They also state the impact will be minimal on the over 200 species of bird, fish, animal and plant life along the lakes. Further public consultation will be through an online survey, phone survey and letters to households and they will reach a final decision in 2020.

Council thanked Morrison and Ritchie for their time and presentation.

3. Adoption Of Previous Meeting Minutes.

Minutes of the August 14, 2019 meeting were read.

Motion # 2.

Motion THAT the minutes be accepted with a change to item 5. Streicker received lots of input from both sides, and correct type-o.

Moved by Walter Latour, Seconded by Judy Prevost.

Vote: 5 in favour.

Motion # 2 Carried.

3.a. Business from the Minutes.

The AYC meeting in Teslin has been cancelled due to a funeral in the community.

5. Report From the Chair & Correspondence.

5.a. Report on Carcross Comprehensive Community Plan Steering Committee on September 4th which was attended by Council. Council would like a letter sent to CTFN to request clarity on when Marsh Lake Land Use Planning will continue with them involved.

5.b. Report on Army Beach access trails community meeting. Judy Prevost reported 16 residents were present and MLA John Streicker chaired the meeting. A sub-committee was formed, and the plan will be to develop 2 of the overgrown accesses. Information will be shared with the neighbours directly involved in the chosen accesses and they will be invited to publicly discuss the issue at the November Council meeting.

5.c Council received a notice of public meetings to discuss the **Whitehorse and Southern Lakes Forest Management Plan** on September 18th in Marsh Lake.

6. Committee Reports.

6.a. AYC: September meeting cancelled.

6.b. Marsh Lake Community Society: Greg Sim reported on a fundraiser which provided a big donation to the community centre. Hosted by Marsh Lake Tents N Events at \$250 per plate they were able to donate over \$20,000 to the centre.

6.c. Marsh Lake Emergency Services Society: The Fire Rescue Society will be holding a public BBQ on September 21st.

6.d. Marsh Lake Solid Waste Management Facility: Kirsti DeVries reported the facility will receive \$240 thousand in upgrades by end of September. There has been praise for the free store clean up although when the garbage compactor broke down the area was a mess, and the contractor was reluctant to help users get garbage into the bins.

People are saying the refundables depot has been charging a commission on returns and Community Services will look into just what the public can expect back from their refunds.

7. Old Business.

Sewage Lagoon Update: The contamination is severe, and Community Services department is looking at options. In the meantime, residents have seen an extreme increase on the cost of a septic pump out, due to the distance the pumper truck must travel to empty its loads. Council has decided this is the number one issue they would like Community Services to work on for the community.

Motion # 3.

Motion THAT Council email Dave Albisser, Director Community Development, to discuss options for the sewage lagoon.

Moved by Walter Latour, Seconded by Blair Corley.

Vote: 5 in favour.

Motion # 2 Carried.

8. New Business and Question Period.

-ATV s & Public Roads: A Judas Creek resident had a complaint about ATV s and safety on the public roads. It was requested a warning go into the newsletter.

9. Adjournment.

Next meeting will be October 9, 2019.

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.