

Marsh Lake Local Advisory Council

Regular Meeting, December 8, 2021

Unapproved Minutes

1. Call To Order.

The Regular Meeting of December 8, 2021 was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

1A. Roll Call.

Present were Blair Corley, Joanne Johnson, Walter Latour, and Lisa Vollens-Leduc. Erik Pinkerton arrived at 7:15 pm. 2 observers + zoom available.

2. Adoption Of Agenda.

Motion # 1.

Motion THAT the agenda be adopted with the addition of item 7, Judas Creek lot subdivision.

Moved by Lisa Vollens-Leduc, Seconded by Joanne Johnson.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion # 1 Carried.

3. Adoption Of Previous Meeting Minutes.

Minutes of the October 13, 2021 meeting were read.

Motion # 2.

Motion THAT the minutes be accepted as read.

Moved by Joanne Johnson, Seconded by Blair Corley.

Vote: 3 in favour. 1 ineligible.

Motion # 2 Carried.

4. Guest Speakers and Public Discussions.

4.a. Update from MLA John Streicker. The health care system has been under pressure due to a wave of the Delta variant. Now the Yukon Government is preparing for the effects of the Omicron variant which officially appeared in the territory today. Many of the larger employers in Yukon, along with the Yukon Government, have instituted mandatory vaccinations of employees.

4.b. Wayne Huffman representing the Marsh Lake Community Society requested Council write a letter of support to the Minister of Community Services to obtain a surplus fire truck.

Motion # 3.

Motion THAT a letter of support be written to Community Services requesting a surplus fire truck be transferred to the Marsh Lake Community Society.

Moved by Walter Latour, Seconded by Lisa Vollens-Leduc.

Vote: 5 in favour.

Motion # 3 Carried.

5. Report From the Chair & Correspondence.

5.a. Joanne Johnson reported on the Yukon Plastics Gathering hosted by the Council of Yukon First Nations, which she attended via zoom. Research is being done all over Canada and even here in Yukon collection sites are finding microplastics. At the Gathering they discussed what is being done in other jurisdictions. Single use plastic shopping bags will be banned as of January 1st with more single use plastics scheduled to be banned in future. This is an on-going and wide reaching issue.

6. Committee Reports.

6.a. AYC: nil report.

6.b. Marsh Lake Community Society: Activities are being planned for the holiday season and the centre is working within the YG imposed Covid restrictions. To access the community centre, users must present their proof of vaccinations.

6.c. Marsh Lake Emergency Services Society: Proof of vaccination is proving to be a challenge for most volunteer emergency services territory wide. MLA Streicker announced the renewal of the Workers Compensation Act is increasing its range of cancers covered for the fire service members.

6.d. Marsh Lake Solid Waste Management Facility: Compliments on the work being done by volunteers to keep the free store organized.

7. Old Business.

7.a. Updated Wish List. Councillors are requested to update their community wish lists.

7.b. **Blair** Corley is working on the wildlife signage for the highway and will keep on top of the issue until he sees the work completed.

8. New Business and Question Period.

8.a. Judas Creek property subdivision. A local resident looking to subdivide his property to sell as two separate lots has been turned down by Yukon Government Lands Branch stating the properties would be too small for the area plan. For an application like this to go ahead there are a number of points that Council would like to see addressed, such as the need for a lot extension for driveway and septic for the proposed second property, since they are currently being shared by both houses on the one property.

8.b. Firewood delivery services is looking at a number of new highway regulations and rules that add to the cost of delivery. MLA Streicker reported that Yukon Government is dealing with the issue of access to wood for cutters.

8.c. Currently the information on the LAC is spread across a number of web pages. Council would like to see all the information on one website only: marshlakecommunity.ca

Motion # 4.

Motion THAT a letter be written letting other web sites know the Council will only be posting on the community web page.

Moved by Erik Pinkerton, Seconded by Lisa Vollens-Leduc.

Vote: 5 in favour.

Motion # 4 Carried.

8.d. FireSmart: Community Advisor Sarah Russo agreed to connect with Wildland Fire to discuss with Council any “at risk” areas. A new community survey would be welcome to help identify areas residents would like to see addressed.

8.e. Election of Council Chair/Co-Chairs.

Motion # 5.

Motion THAT Walter Latour and Erik Pinkerton be elected Co-Chairs for this term.

Moved by Blair Corley, Seconded by Lisa Vollens-Leduc.

Vote: 5 in favour.

Motion # 4 Carried.

9. Adjournment.

Next meeting will be January 12, 2022.

Chair Latour adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.