Marsh Lake Local Advisory Council Regular Meeting, February 8, 2023 Approved Minutes

1. Call To Order.

The Regular Meeting of February 8, 2023 was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

1A. Roll Call.

Present were Blair Corley, Walter Latour, Joanne Johnson, Lisa Vollans-Leduc and Erik Pinkerton. 4 observers.

2. Adoption Of Agenda.

Motion # 1.

Motion THAT the agenda be adopted. Moved by Erik Pinkerton, Seconded by Joanne Johnson.

Vote: Unanimous. Motion # 1 Carried.

3. Adoption Of Previous Meeting Minutes.

Minutes of the January 11, 2023 meeting were read.

Motion # 2.

Motion THAT the minutes be accepted with spelling corrections.

Moved by Blair Corley, Seconded by Joanne Johnson.

Vote: 5 in favour. Motion # 2 Carried.

4. Guest Speakers and Public Discussions.

4.a. Dr. Mary Vanderkop, and Samantha Cotterell, Policy Analyst for YG Department of Environment, gave information on the changes to the new Animal Protection Act for Yukon. The new Act should provide a legal framework for managing all aspects of animal protection and control in the Yukon and will create higher standards of care than what previously existed. The Act includes permits and inspections of animal-related businesses and expands enforcement tools to address high-risk and feral animals. Instead of one Animal Welfare Officer for all of Yukon, local enforcers can be appointed in various communities. Public engagement will continue and the Act is expected to come into effect later in 2023 after regulations are developed.

Council thanked Dr. Vanderkop and Ms. Cotterell for the information and for attending the Council meeting.

4.b. MLA for Southern Lakes John Streicker reported on the new flood committee for Army Beach and South M'Clintock, chaired by Marsh Lake resident Dale Stokes. Streicker agreed to continue sending flood report updates with the next snowpack report expected in early March.

Streicker will discuss ideas for the clear cutting of trees along the accesses to Judas Creek subdivision with concerned residents, to come up with a consensus by spring.

5. Report From the Chair & Correspondence.

5.a. Formal Operating Procedures for Local Advisory Councils: Community Advisor Roxanne Stasyszyn would like to see all LACs contribute their procedures to form a blueprint to be used by future Councils. Discussions will continue.

5.b. Host for Spring LAC Forum: Council agreed a local venue could be found to host the next forum.

Motion #3.

Motion THAT Council agree the next LAC Forum to be hosted at a Marsh Lake venue.

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

Vote: 5 in favour. Motion # 3 Carried.

6. Committee Reports.

6.a. AYC: nil report/

6.b. Marsh Lake Community Society: Preparations for Winter Carnival are going ahead and will be on March 15th.

A rental agreement with the Community Centre will be updated to read \$150.00 per month.

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

6.d. Marsh Lake Solid Waste Management Facility: Council has agreed that the open hours for the facility will be 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, 5 days per week and closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

Motion #4.

Motion THAT Council supports the new open hours for the Marsh Lake Facility being 10am to 6pm. Thursday through Tuesday and closed Tuesday and Wednesdays.

Moved by Walter Latour, Seconded by Joanne Johnson.

Vote: 5 in favour. Motion # 3 Carried.

7. Old Business.

7.a. Wildlife signage on the highway is not being supported by the Department of Highways. A sign informing drivers of the "No Hunting Grizzly Bears" has gone up.

8. New Business and Question Period.

8.a. Schedule A Report for Community Services. Council reviewed the report of budget spent to submit to Community Services.

Motion # 4.

Motion THAT Council approve the Council budget Schedule A for 2022/2023 to be submitted to Community Services.

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

Vote: 5 in favour. Motion # 4 Carried.

8.b. Laptop for Council: The Council agrees to provide funding from the 2022/2023 budget to purchase a dedicated laptop for Council records and to be used at meetings to provide zoom access for those who wish to attend remotely.

Motion #5.

Motion THAT Council amend Motion #4 and the Schedule A to include \$600.00 for a laptop to be dedicated to Council records and used at public meetings for zoom.

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

Vote: 5 in favour. Motion # 5 Carried.

9. Adjournment.

Next meeting will be March 8, 2023.

Chair Latour adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.