Marsh Lake Local Advisory Council Regular Meeting, July 14, 2020 Approved Minutes

1. Call To Order.

The Regular Meeting of July 14, 2020 was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

1A. Roll Call.

Present were Blair Corley, Joanne Johnson, Walter Latour, Jo-Anne Smith and Judy Prevost. Observers attending via conference call.

2. Adoption Of Agenda.

Motion #1.

Motion THAT the agenda be adopted with the addition of civic addressing under Old Business. Moved by Blair Corley, Seconded by Joanne Johnson.

Vote: Unanimous. Motion # 1 Carried.

3. Adoption Of Previous Meeting Minutes.

Minutes of the June 9, 2020 meeting were read.

Motion # 2.

Motion THAT the minutes be accepted as read. Moved by Walter Latour, Seconded by Judy Prevost.

Vote: 5 in favour. Motion # 2 Carried.

4. Guest Speakers and Public Discussions.

4.a. Update from Minister of Community Services John Streicker.

Phase 3 of the reopening begins on August 1 if Yukon stays on track. Issues are still arising due to non-Yukon travelers using the highway to access Alaska. It will be a challenge to keep the current health status of the territory.

Tele-meetings with the minister will continue with less frequency and will work around the Council's regular monthly meetings.

Councillor Blair Corley pointed out the slow pace of the civic addressing project, with a letter still needed to go out to residents in Judas Creek and the utilities need to be informed of the new addressing. The EMS system also needs updating.

Complaints are continuing about the condition of the subdivision roads and there has been no forward movement on the Army Beach access trails. The Covid 19 pandemic has sidetracked government from the work usually done on community issues. A misunderstanding about who will take lead on projects and it is now apparent the residents will need to take lead on the Army Beach trails project.

Chair Smith agreed to follow up with the community advisor. It is also noted that roads everywhere are suffering from deterioration caused by the excess rain this summer.

Update on FireSmart applications: there has been more than the usual number of applications this year and decisions should be made sometime in August.

5. Report From the Chair & Correspondence.

Chair Smith reported on receiving an invitation to take a water quality survey from Yukon Government. Councillors responded to the survey but find it does not cover the issues around water in a community like Marsh Lake.

6. Committee Reports.

6.a. AYC: nil report.

- **6.b. Marsh Lake Community Society:** The community centre is hiring in preparation for reopening. It is necessary to prepare plans for special events during the pandemic which creates an extra workload for the community centre staff.
- **6.c. Marsh Lake Emergency Services Society:** The volunteers have responded to some bad road accidents. The society AGM will take place August 19th with physical distancing rules in place.
- **6.d. Marsh Lake Solid Waste Management Society:** Walter Latour reported that there is no information on punch cards for tipping fees at this point. Fees will begin to be charged on August 1st.

7. Old Business.

Infrastructure priorities for Marsh Lake: Council discussed the top 5 issues Council would like to see addressed sooner than later. The list is flexible and is expected to change over time. A letter will be sent to Community Services with the following list.

- 1. Sewage Lagoon
- 2. Army Beach foot path access trails.
- 3. Generator for Community Centre to be used during emergencies.
- 4. Judas Creek civic addressing.
- 5. Subdivision road repairs.

8. New Business and Question Period.

8.a. Council reviewed a land application for a lot extension at Lot 69 Judas Creek. This extension is to legalize the septic field which a previous owner built on adjacent land due to the steepness of the property. Some discussion occurred about the size of the requested extension, but it was generally seen as a needed to legalize the already installed septic.

Motion #3.

Motion THAT Council write a letter to the Lands Branch stating no objection to the lot extension to legitimize the property septic field.

Moved by Blair Corley, Seconded by Judy Prevost.

Vote: 5 in favour. Motion # 3 Carried.

9. Adjournment.

Next meeting will be August 12, 2020.

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.