

**Tagish Advisory Council
Minutes of Monthly Meeting
February 1, 2012 at the Community Hall**

Present: Paul Dabbs, Mary Ann Lewis, Shelley Penner

Secretary: Randy Taylor

Guests: Diane Roch, Kevin Barr, Boyd Piper, Rob Lewis, Rich Martin, Jutta Gantner

Special Guest:

Call to Order: 7:35pm

Adoption of Agenda: No changes proposed

Moved: Paul Dabbs Seconded: Mary Ann Lewis Motion: Carried

Adoption of Minutes from January 4, 2012: No changes or additions proposed.

Moved: Paul Dabbs Seconded: Shelley Penner Motion: Carried

Delegation: Carolyn Moore, Community Services

Although not a delegate, Kevin Barr's attendance was recognized with appreciation.

New Business:

- Randy Taylor was welcomed and introduced as the new Secretary. This is a 1 year appointment effective February 1, 2012 to January 31, 2013. Terms and conditions are similar to those in the past.
- It was recognized that the meeting is being recorded, and there were no objections.

Old Business:

- **Post Office Update**-Diane Roch: It was noted that postal service was discussed at the Tagish Community Association Committee (TCAC) meeting where the committee indicated they would consider the options. Diane Roch stated that in discussion with the other members, they could not see putting the postal service in the Community Club at this point. The TCAC suggested that the postal boxes remain where they are now, or alternatively, the boxes could be moved to the Community Club until June 2012. The TCAC is under transition right now as the Recreation Director has indicated she will be leaving and in June there could be a complete new TCAC. The existing committee members are not prepared to provide the postal service, which would be left for the new TCAC to deal with.
2 scenarios are foreseen: (1) Canada Post not willing to wait until June for a decision, resulting in postal boxes somewhere, and (2) even with a new board there is no guarantee they will be in favor of anything of this nature.

Comments: Surprise was expressed that the TCAC wouldn't consider this, as there is revenue to be made with the post office as well as potential to bring more people in. Diane replied she has tried unsuccessfully to find people to work the post office. It was suggested that perhaps a

method needs to be found to make everyone aware of what is required to maintain postal service.

A point was made that perhaps it's time to work with the existing committee members and start building anew. It was questioned as to what the LAC can do to engage members of the community to work with the TCAC.

The need to have two separate committees (LAC & TCAC) instead of one group of people doing both was also questioned. Diane replied that the association has to have a separate committee due to government funding. Carolyn Moore added that the LAC has a specific function and cannot ask for additional funding. There must be separate committees, but the same people may be on the committees. There are examples of other jurisdictions having the post office in the Community Hall. Sport and Recreation would have record of this.

Paul stated that Canada Post needs to be asked the question if they are prepared to have Carcross provide this service for the next 5 months. It was also noted that once Canada Post hires someone to just fill the boxes, there is no going back.

It was asked what the TCAC would require from the LAC or community members to make this happen. Staffing and hours of operation were stated as issues. It was noted that the hours of operation are flexible and largely determined by the contractor.

A suggestion was made that 1 or 2 members of public, someone from LAC and TCAC get together with Marina to go over the issues and put together an information package. The LAC is interested in working with the TCAC and community to make this happen.

Carolyn was asked what role her offices play in assisting this process. Carolyn replied she can't provide money, but can provide information and assist in asking the questions. She would be willing to assist the "ad hoc" committee. Confusion arose regarding who owns the land the community hall resides on, Sport & Recreation or Energy Mines and Resources.

Actions:

- Boyd volunteered to work with someone from LAC and TCAC to create info package and perhaps a business plan. Diane Roch will represent TCAC. Paul stated he will be involved if required.
 - Carolyn will work to determine land ownership; Paul and Shelley will see if they have documentation that will assist.
 - Diane will consult with Marina and report back to LAC.
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- **Community Addresses Update**-Carolyn Moore: it was indicated at the LAC forum last May that unincorporated communities were interested in going forward with rural addressing. Communities were updated again in October and informed that a contract had been put out to provide a report, which is still being reviewed. Addressing contains different components including: physical numbering, incorporating 911, fire and ambulance, GIS, GPS, etc. Marsh Lake was identified for pilot project targeting this summer for signage. Legislation and policy changes are required to fully implement plan (i.e. mandatory instead of voluntary). Community Services is working to produce a plan that will incorporate all the players and the components. Canada Post is one of the players as they expressed interest in aligning the box numbers in Marsh Lake with the street addresses; this would also be discussed for Tagish. The government lead for this project has yet to be determined. Tagish has had numbers assigned to properties (approx. 98-99% complete) since 2005; although, not physically in place. Frustration expressed that YG intended to have this in place by the end of 2004.

Actions:

- TAC will work to complete the data regarding address numbers and lots and forward to Carolyn.

- **Community Operations Update**-Carolyn Moore: Information package regarding mosquito control program will be sent next week with timeline. LAC committed to get the information out earlier than last year.
Carcross and Tagish transfer station operation and maintenance contracts will be aligned and posted as one contract this coming year (existing contracts end in May).

- **Yukon Energy Workshop:** aquatic and terrestrial research and effects of changing lake level will be presented at Marsh Lake Firehall @ 10:00pm, Saturday February 4. Yukon Energy has also requested meeting with CTFN regarding this issue. Concern was expressed that the research does not include local wind speed data but rather uses Whitehorse wind data. This will be brought to their attention.

Reports: Financial:

- Tagish Advisory Council Reconciliation for December was presented and explained. Important notes that it reconciles and the bank balance is \$20,646.95 effective January 1, 2012.
- Financial Activity January 2012 presented and discussed. Cheques written:

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| 0501 | TCA | rental Dec-Jan | \$300 |
| 0502 | TCA | Senior's dinner | \$400 |
| | | | \$700 Total |
- Tagish Advisory Council Draft Budget 2012 presented and explained. It was noted that the 2011 surplus was due to the temporary vacancy of the Secretary position as well as unspent honoraria due to vacant council positions. It was further noted that under normal operating conditions of full staffing and full membership that the amount of \$12,710 allotted by YG every year might not cover all expenses.
- The Annual Budget and Projected Financial Position (Schedule A) and the Annual Revenue and Expenditure Report (Schedule B) were presented and explained. Budget is basically same as last year. The LAC is in very good shape and all documents and figures reconcile.
Motion to accept the 2 documents Schedule A and Schedule B as presented:
Moved: Mary Ann Lewis Seconded: Shelley Penner Motion: Carried
- Invoices to be paid:
 - Secretarial services and materials-Mary Ann Lewis \$130Motion to pay invoice as presented:
Moved: Shelly Penner Seconded: Paul Dabbs Motion: Carried

Correspondence:

- There is no correspondence

Question Period:

- Carolyn announced the next LAC forum will take place at Ibex Valley in March, dates to be determined.
- Carcross Tagish RRC open house here Monday @ 10:00am

- Southern Lakes Wildlife Coordinating Committee public meeting Whitehorse Monday night. Tagish meetings will take place the following week.
- Website contract has been transferred. Randy will work through it and a decision will be made if changes are required. It is the Secretary's responsibility to maintain but Paul has been paying the monthly fee with his credit card.
- Minister of Community Services hoping to do community tour, no details at this point.

Adjournment:

- Meeting declared closed at 9:26pm
- Paul indicated he is away the first week in March, which means there will not be a quorum for the next meeting. It is also the week of the Arctic Winter Games so discussion took place and there was support to postpone the meeting to the 14th of March.

Action:

- Mary Ann will check to see if the hall is available; meeting date will be confirmed.