

**Tagish Advisory Council  
Minutes of Monthly Meeting  
April 3rd, 2013 at the Community Hall**

**Present:** Paul Dabbs, Bonnitta Ritchie, Corey Edzerza

**Regrets:** Mike Bartsch, Rick Halladay, Ted Adel

**Council Administrator:** Randy Taylor

**Guests:** Regan Brown, Rob Lewis, Mary Ann Lewis

**Call to Order:** 7:11pm

**Adoption of Agenda:**

**Proposed Additions:**

- Pennycook Rd update-Old Business

Motion to approve agenda as amended:

As there was not a quorum at this time for formal approval, the chair accepted the amended agenda.

**Adoption of Minutes from March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

Motion to adopt Minutes as presented:

As there was not a quorum at this time, the March 6<sup>th</sup> Minutes will be adopted at the May 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting.

**Delegates:** Carolyn Moore, Community Services; Rob Morin, Carcross RCMP

**New Business:**

- **Community Well:** It was noted that there was a problem with the community water well last week. The water was discoloured due to a broken valve, which caused the filtering system to malfunction. Steve Perrin, Community Operations, was notified and the valve was repaired. Water samples have been taken since the repair and all seems in order. Questions were raised regarding how Community Operations monitors the well and why the problem wasn't discovered earlier. Paul also asked if the proposed mechanical/treatment upgrade had been completed. Carolyn stated she will follow-up on these questions with Steve Perrin and report back to Council.

**Action Item**

- Carolyn will follow-up on these questions with Steve Perrin and report back to Council.
- **Tagish Post Office Hours:** Paul requested a clarification of the letter sent to Tagish residents that stated the Tagish Advisory Council had been consulted regarding the change in Post Office hours. Bonny clarified that it was the Tagish Community Association that was consulted. Bonny reported there has been mixed reaction regarding the change in hours of operation, and that the main office in Whitehorse made the final decision.

- Community Policing Priorities-Rob Morin: Carcross detachment is in the process of developing policing priorities for the upcoming fiscal year. The priority plan process was explained that it starts on a national level with crime trends and progresses to the territorial government, Whitehorse headquarters, and finally to the local (Carcross) level. Yukon Government priorities include:

- Prevention of victimization of children and youth
- Improve response to sexual assault and family violence
- Work with public and service providers to identify and address common safety issues
- Foster strong relationships with First Nations leadership and communities
- Examine ways to improve police response to vulnerable populations e.g. mental health

At the local level, 3-4 objectives are chosen which can include different initiatives within each objective. Council and attending members of the public were asked for, and provided input regarding these objectives:

- Drinking/partying in the campground
- Alcohol and drugs in the community (off sales now available)
- Traffic safety around bridge (including speeding and public drinking on the bridge)
- Animal issues: i.e. bears and dogs

Further discussion took place regarding issues with bears. Rob explained that Conservation Officers should be called first unless it is a safety concern. It was suggested that Tagish should have a Deputy Conservation Officer that could respond quicker. Rob supported this idea and Council indicated they would discuss further with a Conservation Officer.

Rob thanked council and attendees for their input and offered to return at a later date to present the plan to Council. Rob then went on to say that he has been stationed in Carcross for 3 years and really enjoyed his time there, but will be transferring to Whitehorse in the next few months.

TAC thanked him for the excellent service he has provided.

#### **Old Business:**

- Pennycook Rd update: Bonny informed that she has met with Minister Istchenko and Paul Murchison and that they would have another look at this issue. A sign indicating the road is not maintained has been erected. Paul added that the application to Rural Roads program has been re-submitted.
- OIC Update: Paul, Bonny, and Ted met with Carolyn recently to discuss LAC boundary maps and various options. A public meeting is planned on June 2<sup>nd</sup> for public education and input. There are 4 boundary options currently being considered. Paul will arrange a meeting with CTFN regarding the boundaries, OIC, and civic addressing. Carolyn will discuss the boundary options with government personnel to ensure they have YG approval. Maps should be completed this week.

#### **Action Items**

- Carolyn will discuss boundary options with YG to ensure approval of all options
- Paul will arrange meeting with CTFN regarding OIC, boundaries, and civic addressing

- CBC Radio Reception update: Highways and Public Works is currently looking into this situation. High-level government officials are working on this and it appears to be positive. CBC has indicated they have a transmitter and are willing to install at their cost.

**Reports: Financial:**

- Reconciliation statement for February was presented and discussed.
- Invoices to be paid:

| <b>Name</b>  | <b>Description</b> | <b>\$amount</b> |
|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Randy Taylor | Admin              | \$357.50        |
| TCA          | April Rental       | \$150.00        |
|              | Total              | \$507.50        |

Motion to approve financial statement and invoices as presented:

Moved: Bonnitta Ritchie                      Seconded: Paul Dabbs                      Motion: Carried

**Correspondence:** Correspondence was presented and discussed:

- Don Roberts-requesting support regarding resolution to ban fracking. TAC does not have this mandate, but can send a letter of support. Paul requested input from councilors on how to proceed with this.

**Action Item**

- Paul will follow-up with TAC for input.
- Yukon Government Water Strategy: Deadline for comments is May 31. This document and info will be posted on the community website. Because of the technical nature of this document, it was asked if TAC could hire a consultant to assist with submitting comments; TAC does not have authority to hire consultants.
- YESAB Public Notice: Placer mining, Moose Brook. It was decided that this is not in TAC's area to respond. Without an OIC and established areas, it is at TAC's discretion as to what area to respond to. Randy will rely on the chair's direction as what YESAB notices to bring to council.

**Question Period:**

- It was noted that no-one from council will be attending the upcoming AYC meeting

**Adjournment:**

- Meeting adjourned at 9:09pm
- Next meeting May 1<sup>st</sup>