

**Tagish Advisory Council
Minutes of Monthly Meeting
November 5th, 2014 at the Community Hall**

Present: Paul Dabbs (Chair), Mike Bartsch, Bonnitta Ritchie, Ted Adel, Rick Halladay

Regrets:

Council Administrator: Randy Taylor

Guests: Donald Ford, Kevin Barr

Call to Order: 7:03pm

Adoption of Agenda:

Proposed Additions:

- Post Office-Old Business
- Community Well-Old Business
- Local Area Planning-Old Business
- Remembrance Day Moment of Silence

Motion to approve agenda as amended:

Moved: Ted Adel

Seconded: Mike Bartsch

Motion: Carried

Adoption of Minutes from October 1st, 2014

Motion to adopt Minutes as presented:

Moved: Rick Halladay

Seconded: Bonnitta Ritchie

Motion: Carried

Delegates: None

As there is no official Remembrance Day ceremony in Tagish, Council observed a moment of silence in memory and recognition of the men and women who have served on behalf of our country.

New Business:

- Building Canada Infrastructure Program-TCA Application: TCA has initiated the process for funding of a new community hall. It was suggested that Council could assist by submitting a letter of support. All members agreed.
- 2015 Municipal Elections – Paul asked Council to consider ideas to encourage people to run in the upcoming Oct/2015 election. The OIC should be in place, so there will no longer be a ward system. It was suggested that Council's accomplishments should be celebrated. A quarterly joint newsletter with SKLAC and the CTRRC was also suggested. Other suggestions to encourage candidates and promote Council's accomplishments included:
 - a presentation at the pancake breakfast and other community events
 - request the Minister to do a public service announcement

- mail/handouts identifying accomplishments. It was noted that a flyer could not be included in the upcoming tax assessment notice.
- an insert into the TCA monthly newsletter
- ensure that former councillors are available for the transition and knowledge transfer to incoming councillors

This subject will be included on the upcoming LAC Forum.

- Fall LAC Forum-Tagish Hosting: the LAC Forum is scheduled in Tagish at the Community Hall on Friday November 28th. The site that Carcross had proposed for hosting was not available. Paul stated that any items for the agenda should be sent to Carolyn. Bonnitta suggested that the Rural Roads program be put on the agenda for discussion and follow-up from the last meeting. Paul forwarded the last TAC meeting minutes that included a list of items that Mike proposed for the agenda.
- Community Signage – digital speed signs have been installed. It was noted that the speed limit does not correspond with the sign message and therefore may not be as effective. It was suggested that the Carcross side be moved closer to the bridge, although this would not happen until the spring. Paul contacted HPW to inquire about the location of the signs, but did not get an answer; he will keep TAC informed.
Tourism signs were discussed as YG regulations provide for northbound tourist information signs. Kevin Barr indicated that this has been discussed with the YG and has been a work in progress for some time now. TAC will continue this discussion.

Old Business:

- Civic Addressing-update: Community Services has mailed the information letter to all property owners. To date there have been 7 requests to the Fire Dept. to install signs on individual properties. This will be discussed at the LAC Forum to share the experience with other communities.
- Tagish Post Office – the office formally closed last week. The removal of desk/counter is currently in progress. The space will be utilized for TCA storage; the loss of revenue to the TCA is not significant.
- Community Well – members of the public have asked why construction of the facility has come to a halt. Kevin indicated he would inquire; another option is to contact Rick Kent, Project Manager.
- Local Area Planning-update: Paul provided an update stating that the RFP has been advertised. The Committee will review the proposals at the December meeting with the intent to choose the contractor.
- Northwestel Modernization Plan – Paul has requested that this be added to the LAC Forum agenda. Mike spoke to a Northwestel representative and was told that the existing Tagish exchange is compatible with the YG 911 proposal and NWTel has recently signed an agreement with the YG to upgrade the cell phone towers. No time frame was given but Mike was informed that someone would get back to him regarding the timeframe.

Financial:

- Reconciliation statement for September was presented and discussed. It was noted that the book balance has been adjusted to account for cheque #597, which has been cancelled (stale dated). The 2014 expenditures document was presented and discussed. Randy noted that there is a forecasted surplus of \$3,163 for 2014 and that any surplus at the end of the year will be deducted from the 2015 O&M Grant. Randy also requested that any payment to the Local Area Planning Committee members be invoiced at the next TAC meeting.

- Invoices to be paid:

Name	Description	\$amount
Randy Taylor	Admin services	\$357.50
TCA	Hall rental (month)	\$150.00
	Total	\$507.50

Correspondence: Correspondence was presented and discussed:

- Yukon Heritage Board-letter and annual report was presented and discussed.
- AYC-May 2015 AGM notification was presented
- YG-Recreation Leadership Award letter, criteria, and nomination form was presented and discussed. It was mentioned that this should have gone to the TCA; Paul will ensure that the TCA has received this. He also noted that Ursula Angerer won this award last year.

Question Period:

- Kevin Barr gave notice of an event at the Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre on Nov 21st for all that have been involved in activism regarding the Peel, fracking, etc.; it is hosted by Yukoners Concerned.

Adjournment:

- Meeting declared closed at 8:45pm
- Next meeting Dec 3rd.