

Tagish Advisory Council
Monthly Public Council Meeting
October 5, 2017 @ 7.00pm.
AGENDA

Present: Bonnitta Ritchie (chair)

Regrets: Myron Penner, Kathleen Ayers, Corey Edzerza, Leslie Kerr, Rick Halladay

Administrator: Drew Whittaker

Delegations: Cst. Jean Pierre Cormier, RCMP
John Streicker, MLA

Guests: Paul Dabbs

1. **Call to Order** 7:10pm
2. **Adoption of Agenda** (As there was no quorum, no agenda adopted)
3. **Adoption of Minutes** from June 7, 2017, July 5, 2017, September 7, 2017 (no quorum)
4. **New Business:**

Carcross RCMP Monthly Report

Detailed monthly report is filed with council. Some highlights of discussion:

- Year to date stats up compared to last year – disturbance/mischief cases; missing persons cases
- Local community initiatives: basketball with students, kickboxing, free ice cream coupons for kids wearing bike helmets. Upcoming Top Cop Reading program at schools
- A great number percentage of RCMP calls involve alcohol – and increased liquor sales seem correlate to increased incidents
- Sept 6 – commemoration of the gravesite of Cst. E.E. Person in Bennett, who died while serving there on Aug. 30. 1898
- New community concerns: On Sept 15, a vehicle taken from a driveway in Choutla without permission. It was returned damaged overnight. On Sept 29, detachment received complaints about drones flying in downtown Carcross. There are legal places to fly drones, but not around the air strip, over moving vehicles on the roadway, and consider privacy issues of flying/filming over/near properties.

LAP/HPA update

Paul Dabbs said that the HPA Steering Committee would be meeting with Alan Koprowsky, ADM Environment on October 10 to discuss boat launch options. The HPA Steering Committee wants to reduce boat traffic on the Tagish River (putting in at the boat launch) for access to Tagish Lake. HPA's mandate is habitat protection. 2 boat launches on Tagish Lake but are not suitable (only can be used in July).

Last month's LAP meeting was cancelled (lack of quorum), and will meet next week.

Paul believes there will not be any public consultation til January

Report by LAC rep to AYC meeting in Carmacks (Perry Savoie)

Perry Savoie, Marsh Lake LAC, represented Southern Lakes LAC at the AYC meeting in Carmacks and prepared a report on the proceedings. There was a lot of discussion on aging in place initiatives, financial assistance for seniors.

Bonnitta believes there is a need for a seniors' liaison within Yukon Government.

Public consultations

Minister Streicker informed the meeting of various public consultations/public reviews that are or will be taking place including:

- There were 3,000 responses to the cannabis survey
- Consultation on infrastructure priorities (YG talked to Susan Baker and Doug Heynan, TCA)
- There is a plan to review the Liquor Act next year
- Yukon Financial Advisory Council wraps up tonight in Whitehorse.
- School calendars
- Aging in Place consultation will happen in Tagish, Marsh Lake, Carcross.
- Review of the Societies Act in the next year in order to make it more user friendly

Minister Streicker is not sure when the next LAC Chairs meeting (Carolyn Moore had said November). Minister is in favour of moving the meetings around to communities in the Southern Lakes.

Minister said he there will be a tribute/kickoff to encourage people to stand in municipal elections one year before municipal elections

Old Business:

Road Conditions (Pennycook Rd, Tagish Estate Road and sideroads; speedometer)

Minister Streicker said there is a need for a policy to determine at what point a government builds/maintains/upgrades a road. He said the practice has been discretionary and *ad hoc*, and usually related to the number of residents that use the road. There was no new decision about upgrading Pennycook Rd.

The issue of the speed sign not working has been communicated to YG Highways by Carolyn Moore.

Day use area

Much was covered earlier in the agenda. Council received two letters pertaining to the Day Use Area. Issue will be discussed at upcoming HPA meeting (date TBD), of which Council is invited to attend.

Cell service

Bonnitta reported that Myron said the service had improved. Opinions at the meeting and in the community varied about whether there is noticeable improvement.

Cst. Cormier asked about the chances of getting cell service from the border to Carcross. Minister Streicker said there is very little chance of Bell doing this.

Infrastructure priorities

Bonnitta sent in Council's priorities to Marlene Jennings, YG Infrastructure Branch.

Access to properties by Emergency Services

Brief discussion on this issue. Paul conveyed the gist of Shelley Cuthbert's arrangements shared with council at the previous meeting with RCMP.

Closure of outgoing mail box by Canada Post

The closure has been stopped, thanks to pressure from citizens, Council, and MLA Streicker and MP Bagnell.

5. Financial:

- Bank Reconciliation for August, No Sept statement
- Invoices to be Paid:

Name	Description	\$Amount
Andrew Whittaker	Admin (Sept)	350.00
TCA	Hall Rental (Oct)	150.00
AYC	Travel expenses (Perry Savoie)	23.98

Drew reported on the budget so far. Of note:

- Council Honoraria lineup is underbudget (due to absentees)
- Admin Services line item is slightly overbudget (due to paying two administrator honoraria during transition between Randy Taylor and Drew)

Drew said Council needs quorum next meeting in order to pass motions expending money for upcoming community events (ie. TCA Christmas event)

6. Question Period

There was discussion about not meeting in December or January. Council is obligated to hold 10 public meetings per year.

7. Adjournment 8:50pm