# Tagish Advisory Council Minutes of Monthly Meeting June 5th, 2013 at the Community Hall

**Present:** Paul Dabbs, Mike Bartsch, Rick Halladay

Regrets: Bonnitta Ritchie, Ted Adel, Corey Edzerza

**Council Administrator**: Randy Taylor

Guests: Marlene Sparks, Bill Sparks, Mary Ann Lewis, Rob Lewis, Rich Martin

Call to Order: 7:05 pm

## **Adoption of Agenda:**

## **Proposed Additions:**

- YFCL-New Business
- CTRRC-New Business
- Government Signs-New Business
- Civic Addressing-Old Business
- Carcross Tagish Renewable Resources Council -New Business

Motion to approve agenda as amended:

Moved: Rick Halladay Seconded: Mike Bartsch Motion: Carried

## Adoption of Minutes from May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013

Motion to adopt Minutes as presented:

Moved: Mike Bartsch Seconded: Rick Halladay Motion: Carried

**Delegates:** Kevin Barr

#### **New Business:**

- Yukon Government Water Strategy: Dwayne Muckosky, Community Services, initially intended
  to attend this meeting to discuss the community well and provide an overview of the Yukon
  Water Strategy. Instead, he will be part of the formal presentation on the Water Strategy on
  June 12 and will attend the July council meeting to discuss the community well.
  It was noted that the Carcross Tagish RRC will have members in attendance at the meeting and
  will be submitting comments and recommendations. Kevin Barr further noted that the NDP
  Caucus would be submitting an in-depth critique of the strategy. He will check to see if the
  critique will be made public.
- Post Office Later Hours on Wednesday's: the post office will be changing its hours of operation on Wednesdays to 3:30pm-6:00pm. A notice will be sent out shortly.
- YECL: Mike informed council that Yukon Electrical Company has proposed a back-up power system for Carcross and Tagish as part of their rate hike application. It is proposed for 2015 capital expenditures; Mike circulated the Capital Expenditures Information 2008-2015

document. He was asked if TAC has a role in the process. Because this application goes to the Public Utilities Board, TAC has the opportunity to provide comments through the hearing process. This will be discussed further at the next meeting. It was noted that TAC provided a letter of support last year to the Carcross Property Owner's Association (Willard Phelps).

- Carcross Tagish Renewable Resources Council (CTRRC) Information: Randy provided a brief description of the role of the CTRRC and briefed council on the "On the Land" Gathering that took place May 31-June 1. Various RRC's in the Southern Lakes area were in attendance as well as Yukon Gov't biologist, members of CTFN, and representatives of the Yukon Fish and Wildlife Management Board. The gathering was focussed on the Southern Lakes Wildlife Coordinating Committee's (SLWCC) 2012 report and recommendations. It was recommended that an implementation committee be created to take the recommendations forward. The report was circulated and discussion took place regarding the document and the current state of the Southern Lakes Caribou herd. The CTRRC plans to make this an annual event. Randy is willing to brief council monthly on CTRRC activities and issues.
- Government Signage: Kevin Barr requested a letter of support for Tagish informational signs on the highway. TAC agreed to provide a letter of support. Kevin will provide an update on a flashing speed sign that was proposed for Tagish.

## **Old Business:**

OIC-update: Paul provided a summary of the June 2 meeting. A letter inviting residents to the
meeting and explaining the OIC was sent to all property owners via the YG property tax list. 23
people attended and 15-16 questionnaires were returned. Council does not feel this is
adequate participation/feedback to make a recommendation. Discussion took place on how to
solicit more input. It was suggested to send out results of the feedback to date to garner more
input. Other suggestions included: using email list to distribute electronic maps, distribute
handouts at pancake breakfast and July 1 events, set up an email survey, and door to door
soliciting.

#### **Action Item:**

- o Paul will take all ideas and work on the next plan.
- Community Well: Dwayne Muckosky was unable to attend this meeting as planned. He is committed to attend the July 3rd meeting.
- CBC Radio Reception-update: the letter from Minister Istchenko was presented for discussion. The letter states that the YG will be doing a study to determine what other communities are lacking CBC coverage due to the recent upgrades. Apparently the costs to provide the coverage to Tagish have increased and a decision will be made by Aug 1, 2013.
- Mosquito Control Program-update: the program has been completed in the Tagish area.

• Civic Addressing: a letter to Minister Taylor has been sent requesting financial assistance for civic addressing. There has been no response to the letter to date, but TAC has been informally told to go ahead with the plan. Once an official response to the request is received, the information process will begin. The financial assistance request is for signage.

## **Reports: Financial:**

- Reconciliation statement for April was presented and discussed. Randy will present the 2013 expenditures report at next council meeting.
- Invoices to be paid:

Name	Description	\$amount
Randy Taylor	Admin services	\$497.83
Paul Dabbs	Honorarium (Apr-June)	\$325.00
Mike Bartsch	Honorarium (Apr-June)	\$175.00
Corey Edzerza	Honorarium (Apr-June)	\$150.00
Bonnitta Ritchie	Honorarium (Apr-June)	\$150.00
Rick Halladay	Honorarium (Apr-June)	\$175.00
Ted Adel	Honorarium (Apr-June)	\$100.00
TCA	Hall rental (May)	\$150.00
First Contact Design	Email address (admin)	\$50.00
Jane Koepke	Facilitation fees	\$1092.00
Carolyn Moore	Meeting food costs	\$27.33
	Total	\$2892.16

Motion to approve reconciliation and pay invoices as presented:

Moved: Rick Halladay Seconded: Mike Bartsch Motion: Carried

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

- CBC letter-previously discussed
- Yukon Water Strategy poster-this will be sent out via email
- Tagish residents' request to email NWTel's modernization plan petition-TAC decided it was not appropriate to use email distribution for this type of request.

## **Question Period:**

- Has there been a request from TCA for funding assistance for the July 1<sup>st</sup> event? Paul noted that there has not been a request, but that TCA is receiving funding from the Heritage Branch.
- There were compliments expressed on the transfer station being well looked after.

## Adjournment:

- Meeting declared closed at 9:12pm
- Next meeting July 3<sup>rd</sup>