

**HAMLET OF MOUNT LORNE ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING 2021 – 02
MINUTES**

Approved by Council:

Chair

DATE: Tuesday, February 2nd, 2021

TIME: 7:00 pm

LOCATION: Zoom meeting

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Lisa Chevalier – Annie Lake, Deputy Chair; Kevin Kennedy – Robinson; James Rowberry – Cowley Lake; Jess Sellers – The Meadows

OTHERS PRESENT: John Streicker – MLA; Al Foster – Resident of Mt Lorne; Eva Wieckowski – Resident of Mt Lorne; Lucile Fressigné – Administrative assistant

REGRETS: Peter Carr – Kookatsoon, Chair

1. Call to Order 07:11 p.m.

2. Call for Presentations & Delegations

a. Update on the pandemic by Minister Streicker

Mt Lorne is part of the Whitehorse catchment. For people 60 and over, they can now register online to get their vaccine.

There is a slowdown in the Moderna vaccine delivery. Right now, Yukon has used more than half of the vaccines they received.

YG wants to make sure that people in retirement homes, healthcare workers, communities, and people over 70 years old get their second shot. Therefore, the opening of the vaccination booking website for the first shot of people in Whitehorse, aged between 18 and 60 years old, originally planned on February 10th, will be delayed. The delivery is slowed down so YG must slow down.

Lisa checked the vaccination booking website earlier in the day and saw that no booking was available anymore. Minister Streicker does not know the exact reason why. They might be all booked up.

The clinics team are made of 10 persons. There are two mobile teams (Balto and Togo) and they will stay mobile for the second shots. The team in town (Fox) will be put on pause until Yukon receives more vaccines.

b. YG budget

Al asked LAC if they approached Minister Streicker to know if the public water supply will be part of YG's budget.

The budget will be out in early March.

Minister Streicker is not at liberty to share any information right now. He thinks that it is good news though.

Minister Streicker said that a letter from MLAC is not required but it is always appreciated.

ACTION ITEM: Kevin will write a letter to YG to remind them about the public water supply.

c. Whitehorse GoldCorp – Developments at the old Mt Skukum Mine

MLAC has not been approached by GoldCorp.

MLAC was waiting for Etienne for more information but they did not hear from him.

ACTION ITEM: Lisa will contact GoldCorp to ask them to give a presentation to MLAC.

3. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: 2021-02-001 Kevin moved the Agenda be adopted. James Second – CARRIED.

4. Presentations and Delegations

a. Community member Eva Wieckowski: to discuss Transfer Station hours and schedule
Eva shared two concerns and is wondering if the LAC would lobby the government about them.

First, the hours for the Mt Lorne Transfer Station are not practical for her household.

When the transfer station changes to the winter hours, it is quite hard to manage all garbage from Sunday to the following Friday. In October, bears are still out and wandering around which makes it even harder to manage garbage during this season. Eva mentioned that she needs to go to the dump in town during the week which cost extra time and money towards dump fees.

She would like to see the transfer station open for a few extra hours during the week. She has heard concerns from other people too about the hours of the transfer station. She believes it would be worthwhile to conduct a survey to check whether there is interest from the community in additional or changed hours.

Her second point was that compost fees are more expensive than the garbage fees, which pushes people to throw their compost in the garbage. The compost fees should be made to encourage people to compost not the opposite.

MLAC agrees about the compost fees, and have brought this to the attention of Dave Albisser (YG, Director of Community Development) on a number of occasions. Jess will write a letter to YG about the compost fees. Minister Streicker is looking forward to receiving this letter.

Jess thinks that the survey monkey is a good idea and that Mike Bailie was willing to do a survey. Jess will start the process.

5. Review and Adoption of minutes from last meeting

MOTION: 2021-02-002 James moved the minutes be adopted. Jess Second – CARRIED.

6. Approval of Accounts – Financial

a. Budget 2021

MOTION: 2021-02-003 James moved the Budget 2021 be adopted. Kevin Second – CARRIED.

b. Annual Revenue and Expenditure Report 2020

MOTION: 2021-02-004 Kevin moved the Schedule A – Annual Revenue and Expenditure Report 2020- be adopted. Jess Second – CARRIED.

c. Operating Policy – Adding a section on Honoraria

Lucile need to add that MLAC allow payment for additional meetings.

Last May, MLAC adopted the Tagish policy for payment of honorarium for councilors verbatim. This needs to be described in our Operating Policy.

7. Reports from Wards

8. Correspondence

9. Old Business

a. Review of Action Items

- i. Draft Yukon Mineral Development Strategy and Recommendation

ACTION ITEM: Lisa will draft comments from council to submit.

- ii. Compost fees

ACTION ITEM: Jess will write a letter to YG in the next few days.

- iii. Website: updating

Lisa and Lucile will meet with LMCA to discuss how to manage the website.

From LMCA, Etienne was originally in charge of maintaining the website, but Lindy will be the new person maintaining the website.

- iv. Letter of condolence to Marsh Lake LAC

MLAC did not need to write a letter to Marsh Lake LAC as Lisa sent an email to their Acting Chair.

b. Community Engagement and Communication

The weather is still too cold to start opening a booth at the transfer station. MLAC will plan something at the next meeting and hopefully, a booth will open early in March.

There is a coffee machine at the transfer station that can be used to give free coffee. MLAC should contact Jess to book the booth in advance so that she can help with the set up.

c. CTFN Comprehensive Community Plan

Ryan Hennessey (planner with Gunta Business, facilitators of the CCP planning process) gave an informative presentation update to Kevin on January 21, (unfortunately no other councilors attended the presentation). Ryan would be happy to give another one in March on the results of their public engagement forum. They changed some of the language in their draft report that will be finalized soon.

Nothing in the presentation seemed terribly controversial to Kevin. Kevin did speak about council's concerns. That our council has been misrepresented as to our participation in the process.

CTFN/Gunta are still open to have MLAC participate in the future. Kevin said that MLAC is still interested in this process.

Lisa asked Kevin if he knew when council would be receiving the draft document for review. Council was informed that both Peter and Kevin had been sent the draft document on January 23. Kevin forwarded the document to the rest of council.

d. Cemetery

A meeting will be held on February 3rd.

10. New Business

11. Tabled Business

- a. Hiking in the Annie Lake area during lambing season
- b. Tagish Gold/Mt Skukum

12. Next Meeting

March 2nd, 2021

13. Adjournment 20:30 p.m.

MOTION: 2021-02-005 Moved by Lisa, Kevin Second – CARRIED.