

**HAMLET OF MOUNT LORNE ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING 2019 – 06
MINUTES**

Approved by Council:

Chair

DATE: Tuesday, June 4th, 2019
TIME: 7:00 pm
LOCATION: Lorne Mountain Community Centre

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Lisa Chevalier – Annie Lake, Chair; Peter Carr – Kookatsoon; Kevin Kennedy – Robinson; James Rowberry – Cowley Lake

OTHERS PRESENT: Al Foster – Resident of Mt Lorne; Andrea Wilson – Community Advisor; Lucile Fressigné – Administrative assistant

REGRETS: Jess Sellers – The meadows

1. **Call to Order** 7:04 pm
2. **Call for Presentations & Delegations**
 - a. Al Foster – Alternative Ways of Land Development
3. **Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION: 2019-06-001 Peter moved the Agenda be adopted. Kevin Second – CARRIED.

4. **Presentations and Delegations**
 - a. Al Foster – Alternative Ways of Land Development

At the last LMCA meeting, Al Foster presented a video showing another type of Land development that is happening in the Government of Wales called One Planet. Following this video, a discussion started between members of LMCA as well as Minister Streicker.

The government of Wales developed a policy to encourage people to reconsider living a rural lifestyle. It is a concept of sustainable development. The government provides the land at low value and the owners must build a house and develop the land. Also, they developed a whole planning guide to see if it is a viable alternative and a whole layout of procedures.

This model is close to what was happening in the Yukon in the 70s, with the Homestead policy. Robinson subdivision was developed similarly. The government developed the land and built roads but did not develop the access to electricity. Each individual had to build it by themselves if they wanted it. This model could be looked at again.

This model could be a possibility to develop land for co-housing development and a viable option for young people. It would give young and senior people the chance to

live a rural lifestyle in a reasonable budget. There is a website for Co-housing in Canada available called cohousing.ca.

Minister Streicker offered to plan a meeting with the different ministers to talk about that project. Councilors of MLAC are interested to participate in that discussion and would like to be part of the meeting. Al Foster will let the councilors know when this meeting will be held.

5. Review and Adoption of minutes from last meeting

MOTION: 2019-06-002 Peter moved the minutes be adopted. Kevin Second – CARRIED.

6. Approval of Accounts – Financial

MLAC received the funding from Yukon Government this year, 14 876\$.

7. Reports from Committees

8. Correspondence

The town of Faro asked MLAC to promote the information about the celebration of their 50th anniversary. MLAC will put posters at the Community Center and on 2 placards (Annie Lake Road and Robinson).

9. Old Business

a. Review of Action Items

The councilors still have to adopt the minutes from April with Jess.

Lisa still need to contact the bank for signing authorities.

About the noise/nuisance issue in Robinson. The Mount Lorne Development Area Regulation speaks to these issues (Part 3, Miscellaneous, Prohibited Uses, 17a,b,c,d), but because there are no guidelines of standard for what is enforceable, any use that is 'unreasonable' would be very difficult to enforce. Andrea Wilson will send the document to Kevin Kennedy so that he can share it to his neighbors. The regulations are also on the Mt Lorne website, under Council/Relevant Documents.

There is a lot of possibilities for funding to develop a playground in Robinson subdivision. But a playground is expensive regarding insurance. It is also possible to get funding to get signs for trails that could be installed in Robinson subdivision.

Lisa will forward the email from Andrea Wilson about the new information provided to council by the Government regarding adding CTFN voting member to Kevin so he can draft a letter.

ACTION ITEM: Kevin will draft a letter to CTFN to share the new information provided to council by the Government and propose to CTFN to participate as a non-voting

delegate while we continue to discuss our options in regards to our ward system, and investigate other models of rural governance.

b. Cemetery

A group of residents got together and walked the parcel of land directly across the road from the Community Center. Some people had concerns regarding the fact that there was not enough space if following the rule of creating a cemetery 120m away from wells. The group paced a lot of area and found out that there is a lot of a room for a cemetery even considering the 120m away from wells. Lisa will ask Land Planning if they can produce a map with a 2ha parcel delineated in that area, which she can send to CTFN for their approval.

Following the approval from CTFN, the Cemetery Society will start asking for CDF funding, the deadline being July 15th.

c. Public Water Supply

After the presentation from Morrison-Hershfield, Al Foster sent an email to Marta Paulino asking few questions. Marta never answered back to Al.

ACTION ITEM: Andrea Wilson will ask Marta if she has some answers.

The public water supply that MLAC is asking for will just be a fill point. It will not be designed as a water station. It would be relevant to have a new public water supply in case of emergency procedures such as a wildland fire to be able to provide water to evacuated people. For example, our water supply right now is not sufficient for fire smarting the community center using sprinklers in case of wildland fire in the vicinity.

ACTION ITEM: Lisa will talk to LMCA members and together LMCA and MLAC will write a letter to Minister Streicker about the need of a public water supply, highlighting the concept of fairness for all communities.

d. Speed limit signs – Annie Lake Road

Lucas Knowles/HPW looked at the speed sign few weeks ago and found that it was very close to the highway and quite faded. He asked Maintenance people to print a new sign and put it after the railroad tracks (part-way around that first curve) so that it would be right in the line of sight of drivers. But he wants to keep the number of signs at a minimum because adding more signs is not more efficient. When the signs become more common, people tend to ignore them.

e. Dry Hydrants Feasibility Study

A draft will be distributed to MLAC at the end of the month.

f. Placer Claim on Aspen Lake

The government will deliver a public consultation about mining in communities.

Residents from Kookatsoon want Aspen Lake to be a protected area. But there are four claims now with one still active and the owner has a cabin in his claim. People get those claims to get a cheap foot on the land and build a cabin on it which is not allowed. It is only allowed to have a skid shack. One placer claim will expire this summer if the minimum required assessments to keep a land as a claim are not done (200\$ of work). The other three are still good for few years.

MLAC has concerns regarding the activities that are happening on those claims. But mining reporters do not go check at claims regularly.

MLAC wants to ask if somebody could go check regularly the claims to verify if they are properly used.

Also, the legislation says that class 1 claims are year to year, but placer claims in Aspen Lake expire in 4 years like if they were class 2. But to have a class 2 claim, owners need to have an assessment made by YESAB which did not happen in this area.

ACTION ITEM: Andrea Wilson will get more information about the extension of expiry dates in those cases, as well as general information about placer claims and regulations.

ACTION ITEM: Peter will draft a letter to the Government about the squatting on placer claims in Aspen Lake sharing MLAC concerns about the activities on those claims. MLAC will include in the letter if they could withdraw any protected space from mineral staking. Peter will also see if he or someone else can check on the claims to see what activity is going on.

g. CTFN Comprehensive Community Plan Project

CTFN hosted an event on May 22, that introduced the “Comprehensive Community Plan Project”. Residents from Carcross, Tagish, Marsh Lake, and Mt Lorne were invited. There were different stations around the room asking for input covering different topics such as language/culture/education; governance; infrastructure/housing/environment/ climate change; health and wellness and community development. A lot of people were putting in comments that related more to Carcross. Both Peter and Lisa attended.

h. Survey re length of term for councilors

AYC did a survey about extending the term of office for councilors from three to four years. The survey showed that the majority was in favor. A letter was written to ask Minister Streicker to change the legislation before the next municipal election in 2021.

i. Review of Residential Powerline in Kookatsoon Lake

Peter found only one letter, with a purpose of clarification about the location of the lot. But there was no clarification on the process or any concerns about that project.

10. New Business

a. No Camping – No Fire signs on Annie Lake Road

Minister Streicker arranged for a sign to be posted in the pullout at the Wheaton River bridge (the end of the maintained portion of the Annie Lake Rd), that says No Camping and No Fires.

b. Letter requesting brushing assessment for Annie Lake Road

Mt Lorne is potentially on the list for next year. MLAC would like to ask for an on-ground assessment along Annie Lake Road.

ACTION ITEM: Lisa will draft a letter to Minister Streicker to ask for an on-ground assessment along Annie Lake Road.

c. AYC AGM Summary

AYC decided regarding the fees that it will not be an increase of 4%, but only 1% of our grant or 500\$.

d. Forest Resources Management Plan

A draft will be released next week on Whitehorse and Southern Lakes Forest Resources Management Plan. MLAC should expect to get contacted. It would be a good idea to ask the government to have a booth at the LMCA community market to engage discussion about that subject with residents. MLAC might also organize a public meeting in September.

11. Next Meeting

July 2th, 2019

12. Adjournment 21:02pm

MOTION: 2019-06-003 Moved by Kevin, James second – CARRIED.