

**HAMLET OF MOUNT LORNE ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING 2020 – 05
MINUTES**

Approved by Council:

Chair

DATE: Tuesday, May 5th, 2020
TIME: 7:00 pm
LOCATION: Online meeting

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Carr – Kookatsoon, Co-Chair; James Rowberry – Cowley Lake; Kevin Kennedy – Robinson; Jess Sellers – The meadows;

OTHERS PRESENT: Minister John Streicker – MLA; Lucile Fressigné – Administrative assistant

REGRETS: Lisa Chevalier – Annie Lake, Chair

1. **Call to Order** 07:05 p.m.
2. **Call for Presentations & Delegations**
3. **Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION: 2020-05-001 Peter moved the Agenda be adopted. Kevin Second – CARRIED.

4. **Presentations and Delegations**
5. **Review and Adoption of minutes from last meeting**

MOTION: 2020-05-002 Peter moved the minutes be adopted. Jess Second – CARRIED.

6. Approval of Accounts – Financial

a. Budget for 2020

The councilors discussed about the motions that were tabled in February.

- The councilors agreed on adopting the Tagish policy for payment of honorarium for councilors. The monthly honoraria for the chairs will be raised to \$125 and for the councilors to \$100 which will increase the honoraria budget to \$6300 for the year.
- All the councilors present agreed on changing the meeting expenses to \$1500 and the Special Event Funds to \$2000.

MOTION: 2020-05-003 Kevin moved that MLAC adopts the Tagish policy for payment of honorarium for councilors verbatim. This will change the honoraria budget to \$6300, the budget for meeting expenses will be raised to \$1500 and the budget for Special Event Funds will be raised to \$2000. James Second – CARRIED.

b. Operating Policy

Kevin found few minors' things to change such as typos.

The council duties specifically refer to chairs and councilors but does not talk about co-chairs. But right now, we operate with a co-chair system and this need to be changed to be reflected in the operating policy.

Some sections need to be deleted (items in an agenda) or revisited.

All councilors will collaborate and do a track document for changes on word. The councilors will make their changes on the same document and they will discuss them all at the next meeting.

c. Council Invoice LMCA changes

The website has now been taken over by LMCA so the cost linked to website is no longer needed. The LMCA invoice is now \$300 instead of \$401,15.

7. Reports from Committees

8. Correspondence

9. Old Business

a. Review of Action Items

Kevin looked for an official zoom account for MLAC. The cost for MLAC to have a zoom account would be \$200 CAD for a year or \$20 per month. Kevin thinks that we should set up an account annually and cancel it in the fall if we do not use it much anymore. The other councilors agreed.

ACTION ITEM: Kevin will set up the account on zoom.

b. Mailing list for Mt Lorne

MLAC received a letter from Minister Streicker giving us the different options available to MLAC: unaddressed mail or work with LMCA to have the email list.

c. Fire Ban Signs

MLAC wants to add some signage saying that big groups of more than 10 people are not allowed to camp, especially at the end of Annie Lake Road. Carcross has the same issues. The Southern Lakes region is a famous destination for outdoor activities, especially now due to the restrictions related to COVID-19.

Minister Streicker suggested an electronic signage at the Cut off, more generic to cover both Carcross and Mt Lorne.

The idea of asking for additional patrolling in the area from RCMP and Conservation Officer has been asked but they do not have enough time and staff to do it.

d. Community Website

Etienne has taken over the website. Lucile will be updating the website for MLAC. Kevin will be the back up person for MLAC.

e. Transfer station: Electric Fence

Jess (who works at the transfer station) tested the Electric fence and it works fine.

f. Community Engagement and Communication

Events will be on hold until the distancing protocol is no longer in place.

g. Participation in Emergency Meetings

Peter has been attending the meetings with Minister Streicker every Thursday. Interesting questions asked and good information taken from it.

10. New Business

a. AYC Delegate

Next Saturday, Peter will attend the AYC meeting.

b. Unexpected bills

Peter received a community call from AYC about really high unexpected internet and electrical bills.

There has been discussion at AYC about any opportunity for people in the communities to be compensated for higher internet bills or any other system.

Minister Streicker did inquire some information from Northwestel. The problem with the DSL is not the cost but the volume, the physical capacity. If too many people are connected, the system would fail. An alternative would be to give access to a cheaper less strong internet only for supporting kids doing school at home and parents working from home but not for Netflix or other non-essential usage.

c. MLA update

Every Thursday from 5 to 6 pm, Minister Streicker is calling the community to give updates about COVID-19. All the councilors are invited.

Peter has been participating.

Based out of that call, the survey came back about the public water supply.

The government is working on creating a call center for COVID where people can share their concerns and the issue can be transferred faster if needed.

11. Tabled Business

a. Cemetery

b. Public Water Supply

Deputy Minister and the Director of Operations will meet with Etienne and Al to talk about the need of a public water supply in Mt Lorne on May 8th at 13:30.

Minister Streicker is helping to make the department understands that Mt Lorne needs it. If any councilor wants to attend and add any suggestions, they can contact Etienne or Al.

c. CTFN Comprehensive Community Plan Project

12. Next Meeting

June 2nd, 2020

13. Adjournment 08:10 p.m.

MOTION: 2020-05-004 Moved by Peter, James Second – CARRIED.