

**HAMLET OF MOUNT LORNE ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING 2020 – 09
MINUTES**

Approved by Council:

Chair

DATE: Tuesday, September 1st, 2020
TIME: 7:00 pm
LOCATION: Lorne Mountain Community Center

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrea Wilson – Community Advisor; Lucile Fressigné – Administrative assistant

REGRETS:

1. **Call to Order** 07:04 p.m.
2. **Call for Presentations & Delegations**
3. **Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION: 2020-09-001 Peter moved the Agenda be adopted. Jess Second – CARRIED.

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

MOTION: 2020-09-002 Lisa moved the minutes be adopted. Peter Second – CARRIED.

6. **Approval of Accounts – Financial**

- a. **Operating Policy**

Lucile updated the document regarding the admin assistant duties and Peter and Lucile signed it.

7. **Reports from Wards**

Brushing on Annie Lake Road has been done as well as in the Robinson Subdivison, Kookatsoon road, Cowley road, and CCC road.

MLAC is really impressed by the quality and efficiency of the brushing and MLAC will thank the Community Services for the brushing. They also passed on their appreciation to Andrea Wilson, the Community Advisor.

Somebody pointed out to Jess that the placer claims off of Old Bridge Road are in the Protected Open Space Zone (as per our Area Development Regulations). It was noted

that as per the Placer Mining Act, placer staking overrides all of our land use zones. The Hamlet Council has requested (in 2017) that YG withdraw lands designated in Mt Lorne as Protected Open Space from mineral staking. YG replied that it would consider this request through a comprehensive policy initiative related to Mineral Staking and Development in Yukon Communities. Council has participated in an EMR/Land Planning engagement process relating to this. (There are no results yet from this engagement process).

Yukon Mineral Development Strategy is holding open houses via zoom meetings. They held open houses in different communities except Mt Lorne and Marsh Lake. The next ones will be happening in Whitehorse on September 3rd, 5th and 8th. Some councilors might join the meetings. Their engagement process ends on September 8th.

ACTION ITEM: Lisa will send the MLAC submission that was prepared for the EMR/Land Planning engagement process, on behalf of the council, to the Yukon Mineral Development Strategy Engagement. It was suggested that Lisa contact Marsh Lake to inform them of the Open Houses and September 8th deadline as they did not have an open house in their community

8. Correspondence

9. Old Business

a. Review of Action Items

b. Community Engagement and Communication

LMCA will hold an outdoor Harvest Market on September 19th from 11:00 to 13:00. MLAC will ask for a table at the market and councilors will give some handouts.

ACTION ITEM: Kevin will contact Agnes to book a table for MLAC.

Kevin will create handouts and MLAC will borrow a chalkboard from the transfer station for residents to write any concerns or comments.

The councilors are thinking of planning an outdoor pancake breakfast on the 17th or 18th of October. Councilors will need to think of fun ways to engage with residents during the event such as crosswords puzzles.

ACTION ITEM: Kevin will email Agnes to ask about availability for the community center on the 17th and 18th of October and ask about the COVID restrictions regarding bathrooms and cleaning.

c. CTFN Comprehensive Community Plan Project

Meetings are happening again every month. CCP developed 5 pillars for the community plan: governance, community education, community wellness, community development, and resilience. The Gunta planners have been developing objectives and

action plans for the five pillars. At the last meeting GUNTA shared a document with the action plans that have been developed to date and asked for feedback. Lisa expressed that she believes that none of the LAC representatives have really had the time to thoroughly review and comment on the document yet.

ACTION ITEM: Lisa will send the CCP document presenting the actions plans to other Mt Lorne councilors so that they can read it and give their feedback.

Marsh Lake is concerned about completing their Local Area Plan, prior to moving forward with CCP action items. Tagish would also like to see their Local Area Plan completed sooner than later.

The four LAC's involved in the CCP process decided that they needed to hold a special meeting to discuss some of their concerns.

Lisa thinks that the plan is too ambitious, it has no organizational structure, or implementation plan yet on how the actions will be accomplished. So far, the steering committee has had one meeting on governance, and the group has agreed to cooperate.

MOTION: 2020-09-003 Kevin moved that MLAC extend the application of our honoraria policy to Dawn Bouquot as a MLAC representative at the CCPP meetings until March 2021 be adopted. Peter Second – CARRIED.

10. New Business

- a. YG requesting our support in communicating guidance and direction to our residents re respectful dealings with YG employees

Kevin suggests that we attach the letter to the minutes to let the public know. Other councilors agree. See document attached.

- b. Councilor needed for Northwestel info session

Al Foster would like to be involved in this discussion with the councilors.

Last time Northwestel left Mt Lorne out and Al Foster reminded it to them to include Mt Lorne. They again forgot Mt Lorne.

The councilors would like to invite Northwestel to join their meeting on October 6th via zoom to answer some of their questions.

ACTION ITEM: Peter will contact Northwestel to request that they attend the next MLAC meeting.

- c. Fire Smarting

Peter will try to obtain handouts regarding fire smarting to share on September 19th at the Harvest market.

What is the plan about fire smarting in Mt Lorne? The fire smarting will continue around the community center. The funding has been accepted but nobody has been hired yet to do it.

11. Tabled Business

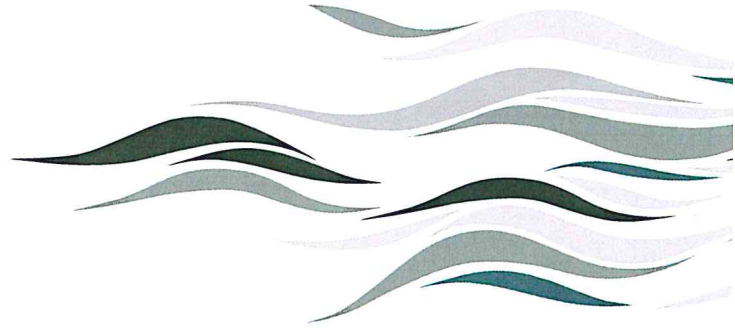
- a. Hiking in the Annie Lake area during lambing season
- b. Cemetery (Until November meeting)

12. Next Meeting

October 6th, 2020

13. Adjournment 20:37 p.m.

MOTION: 2020-09-004 Moved by Jess, Lisa Second – CARRIED.



August 25, 2020

Dear Local Advisory Chairs and community representatives:

I am writing to ask for your assistance in communicating with residents in your communities some guidance and direction I have given my staff in Community Services in order to ensure that everybody is aware of it and can assist us in providing the best possible service.

We have recently seen several examples of inappropriate and disrespectful verbal and written communications and criticisms from residents to our staff members, which cannot be tolerated. The Government of Yukon has a legal and moral responsibility to ensure all employees are able to work in an environment that is respectful, safe and risk free.

Given this responsibility, we have given staff members the following direction:

- If they find themselves in a situation where they are uncomfortable and being treated by any member of the public in a way that is discriminatory, harassing, bullying, or otherwise disrespectful, they should leave or disengage immediately.
- If the behavior or language is threatening in any way – either physically or verbally – it will be reported to appropriate authorities.
- Written and detailed documentation of all incidents and responses will be required and clients will be informed in writing if it is determined that altered services or other action is to be taken.

Altered terms and conditions of client services may include:

- Doubling up of staff to conduct work or meetings
- Restricting direct contact or restricting access without appointments
- Written communications only or communications through a third party
- Suspension of services

As public servants, our employees have an obligation to serve the public and have been trained in strategies such as active listening, respectful client communications and conflict resolution in order to prepare for or avoid negative interactions. However, this obligation to provide services must be balanced against the department's duty to protect its employees from harassment and harm.

I thank you for your support and assistance with this matter and am happy to answer questions or discuss further any time. I can be reached at andrea.buckley@gov.yk.ca or 867-667-5707.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "AB", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Andrea Buckley
Assistant Deputy Minister, Community Development
Department of Community Services
Government of Yukon