

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
CARCROSS TAGISH RENEWABLE RESOURCES COUNCIL
HELD AT TAGISH, YUKON
AUGUST 5, 2019**

PRESENT:

DON TOEWS	EDNA HELM	RON DESJARDINS
ZENA MCLEAN	KEN REEDER	SEKI GIARDINO
RANDY TAYLOR	JACQUES JOBIN	

RECORDING SECRETARY: PATRICIA REEDER

GUESTS: LARS JESSUP

Ken Reeder chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM.

The agenda was presented to Council and accepted as presented.

A general discussion was had about the brushing of the highway at mile 12 on the Tagish Road and on the Alaska Highway near Judas Creek. It was decided to question Lars on this when he was at the meeting.

Another discussion was brought up on the Wolf project (Pete/Lars) and it was decided to wait until Lars was at the meeting and ask him for a follow up.

The minutes of meeting held June 3, 2019 were presented Council, no changes were requested. Randy moved that the minutes be accepted as presented and Seki seconded the motion.

The financial report was presented to Council which followed with a question and answer period, Council accepted the financial report as presented. It was suggested to Council by Tish to have a financial meeting at some point in early October. Council agreed and a date would be set at the September meeting.

Ron suggested that Council could look at impact of the White Pass rail line to Whitehorse would be on fish and wildlife. He also suggests a study on wire clean up.

Don brought up that there should be a discussion about the accumulated surplus, there is approximately \$98,000 remaining and council should look at projects to use these funds for as the deadline is approaching. Some suggested projects were moose management, respect for fish, Kids trapping, trapping co-ordinator. It was decided that Council would think on the projects that were suggested and a special meeting would be called to budget the remaining funds.

The Annual Report was presented to Council for acceptance to submit to YG, Council agreed it could be submitted to YG, however our contact information should be on it. Don suggested that we should have a commercial brochure done of our annual report for distribution. He did say that more pictures should be submitted. Tish will submit the annual report with changes to YG and check into costs of having a commercial brochure made.

ACTION: Tish will submit the report and get quotes on a brochure.

Randy gave an update on the Tagish Habitat Protection Area.

He advised that a draft plan had been done and approved by three governments, before it can go out to public for consultation YG, Federal and CTFN. CTFN and Federal government had given their approval but YG has not given theirs to date. YG approval has to go through cabinet it has been scheduled in cabinet in June and July but has been bumped both times and the next date is unknown.

Don brought up the suggestion that Council could work on a moose study in the CTFN TT to see why the moose are not increasing in population. The population has basically stayed the same for 30 years and there are only 2 moose a year taken by non first nation people. First Nation harvest is not known.

It was suggested that Council should talk to CTFN to see what can usefully be done to increase moose populations in the TT over the next couple of years.

Don gave a summary and final report on the Tagish Cisco Project that was completed this year.

Lars was questioned on the brushing on the Alaska Highway and 12 mile of the Tagish Highway. He said that earlier he had talked to highways and they said the Judas Creek brushing should be done this year and he would follow up with Highways to see if that is being done. He also stated that he would talk to highways about the brushing at mile 12 as it practically obscures the Caribou warning sign. He said he would report back to us.

During a discussion about moose populations Lars said that sheep and caribou survival rates since 2012 have been high however there was a dip in 2018 but probably due to the cold spring. He has not done counts on moose only made observations during his flying time and observed that moose populations were higher near human populated

areas and that the populations were lower in the back country. Lars advised he had a meeting in a couple days to discuss moose with CTFN LMB.

Lars was asked about an update on the wolf study (Pete/Lars) that is supposed to being done. He advised that everything was moving along and now they have to meet with trappers, which will be done this month, Lars will be calling the trapper then there will be a training for both tracking and capture of the wolves. Ken requested that Lars keep the RRC in the loop.

Lars was questioned what would happen now with the fish and wildlife workplan now that the YG appointed planner is no longer on the team, he was unsure what would happen as YG now only has one planner and he is doing the Teslin plan and also has several other projects he is working on. Lars requested a meeting be set up soon so that the team can work on this. Tish will set up a meeting for the following week.

ACTION: Tish will coordinate a meeting with CTFN for August 14 at the Learning Center in Carcross.

The meeting for the next regular meeting was set for September 9, 2019 at Lorne Mountain Community Center.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Minutes Read and Adopted: _____As Read _____As amended

Date: _____

Proposed by: _____

Second by: _____