



Carcross Tagish Renewable Resources Council

Minutes of the

Regular Meeting- Tagish Community Hall

August 1, 2016

Council Members Present: Edna Helm (Co-chair), Ken Reeder (Co-chair), Patrick James, Albert James, Randy Taylor, Adam Winters

Absent with Regrets: Don Toews, Jacques Jobin

Others Present: Frank James, Lands Manager (CTFN)
Natalie Leclerc, (CTFN)
Michael Draper, EMR
Alain Fontaine, Regional Biologist, Environment

Chairperson: Ken Reeder, Co-chair/Edna Helm, Co-chair

Recording Secretary: Linda Thornton

Meeting called to order: 10:00

In Camera: 10:00 – 12:00

Ken welcomed Adam Winters and shared with Council that CTRRC received an email that his appointment is official as FN alternate.

1. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** Edna Helm moved to accept August 1, 2016 agenda; Second by Randy Taylor. Adoption of the agenda was passed by consensus with the following addition.

Ken Reeder called for additions to the agenda:

- Judas Creek Class 1 Application.

2. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES – June 6, 2016.**

Moved by Patrick James/Second by Edna Helm. Minutes were passed by consensus as amended. Signatures will be obtained at next meeting.

No CTRRC regular meeting was scheduled for July.

In review of the June 6 minutes the following items were discussed for follow-up and to bring to the table for further discussion as follows:

Yukon Wildlife Act Regulation Changes for 2015-16

Council suggested bringing this topic back to the table for further discussion with Lars Jessup.

2016 Environment Yukon – Fisheries Program Update

Council questioned if the comments Don sent by email was representing CTRRC and Council agreed that CTRRC draft a letter.

Action: Linda will follow up with Don on this. Email was cc to all members.

Land Application 2016-0780/81 License for boardwalk

Linda informed Council a letter was drafted for Don's review and was submitted on June 15, 2016. Council requested a follow up on the status, Linda advised a follow up was done and they will send a response or decision by mid August. Linda will inform Council at that time with a response.

Action: Linda will forward final decision on Land Application 2016-0780/81

SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS:

Summary of Action Items are available.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT

Ken Reeder tabled the Budget Tracking Sheet as of June 30, 2016 and supporting documents. Council reviewed the financial report as presented:

The book balance of the bank account as of June 30, 2016 is \$91,290.00.

Tish will attend CTRRC financial meeting when a date has been set, her fee in attending is \$400.00. She would like to have the final figures from the accountant before this meeting is scheduled. Tish will inform CTRRC at that time.

Action: Ken will get a final cost of the "On the Land Gathering" and will report back to CTRRC.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS & CORRESPONDENCE

No GBC, items were added to the agenda for discussion.

5. Members' Time

This gives CTRRC members the opportunity to flag and address internal issues and discussion on future projects.

Meat Donation & Distribution

Ken mentioned to Council that he will touch base with Mac Watson on change of plans and not to deliver the meat to a butcher as some people rather have the meat in quarters and chunks and they would prefer to butcher the meat themselves.

Action: Ken will work on drafting a letter to send to Mac Watson.

Lunch 12:00 – 12:30

6. ORV Management Proposal

Ken welcomed Michael Draper in meeting with the CTRRC for discussions on the role of the RRC in the steering committee as well as the consultation process.

Open discussion as follows:

- He has had the opportunity to meet with all RRCs in how the RRCs play a role in the development of the regulations and in how to implement them,
- They have the authority to move ahead of the development and drafting of the regulations
- Concerns were expressed on RRCs opportunity to voice their concerns
- It was suggested to have one member from the RRC on a working group and/or develop a workshop formed where the RRCs would be involved
- How much and how little on contents do we put into the management plan
- Focusing on the development of the process of proposals and how do we manage it
- Looking at a steering committee that will deal with the information that will go into the discussion paper
- Steering committee would consist of government department, Environment, EMR RRCs, FNs, and EMR would coordinate the steering committee
- Discussion would need to take place on various tools, issues and a range of concerns
- Looking at development of the Steering Committee in the fall/winter
- Need to have ongoing discussions with First Nations and RRCs as we put this together
- They have an idea in how the process steps would look like – the framework is in draft
- There will be one stage steering committee for each Traditional Territory and there will not be a blanket management plan covering all Yukon
- This will only take affect on crown land, concerns that First Nations do not have the tools to regulate on settlement land
- If we manage to put out a fantastic process and if CTFN is interested, they can adopt this process on settlement land, the opportunity is there and they would support that. First Nations will have to address their own concerns on settlement land and how to manage the ORV
- If CTFN is interested in having a discussion on how the ORV would apply to settlement land, this could be part of the workshop process
- When will they be reaching out to CTFN, it is under discussion to either have similar or separate discussions with CTFN. Michael was invited to the CTFN Lands Management Board meeting for further discussion

- It was suggested in considering a stewardship program for enforcement – Michael will bring this forward for consideration

In closing, Michael thanked Council for the opportunity in meeting with them today and he will bring forward to his Director that there is a strong support in the workshop approach. He will keep CTRRC informed in mid August.

7. CTFN – Updates

Natalie provided the Council with CTFN updates as follows:

- **Herbicides**

The Government of Yukon has decided not to issue a permit to DeAngelo Brothers Inc. to spray herbicides along the White Pass and Yukon Route railway right of way within the territory at this time. There were also significant public and First Nation concerns regarding potential contamination to drinking water and harvestable vegetation and wildlife.

Action: Council expressed an interest in submitting a letter.

- **Wire Recovery Program**

With the funding they received, they picked up on the project where they left off last year and they have recovered a fair amount of wire, some was recovered from Skookies to Conrad and they are currently working on the Heritage trail between Carcross and Tagish.

- **Judas Creek was resubmitted under a Class 1.**

Alain mentioned the reason why it was under the radar is because of the area of overlap between CTFN, Kwanlin FN, Taku River Tlingit FN. He mentioned that CTRRC was not notified for comment because it is now a renewal application and not a new application. Normally there is not a request for comments for a renewal application and he wasn't sure if the CTRRC was even able to submit a comment.

This is the same project and this raises some concerns and he is in the process of reviewing the application.

- **Hunting Season is underway**

CTFN are currently scheduling their monitoring program on the hunting activities during the evenings and weekends. Frank and Natalie will be out in the area frequently.

CTFN have denied some request to harvest sheep in the area of Annie Lake Road to non-First Nations hunters.

CTFN is developing a land vision in their traditional land use study, which is moving forward, this is to help support regional planning, when it comes to the area.

- **Mining Projects**

CTFN are currently working on research on all the mining projects in the area and compiling all the mines and reviewing the various answers that they have received from YG so they can understand the break in consistency.

- **CTFN, TRT, TTC & BC Harvest Quota Discussion**

CTFN, TRT and TTC are working together for the BC harvest quota discussion. BC would like to consult with CTFN for quotas on all species being harvested. CTFN are taking a proactive approach to fill some of the data gaps so we can have an informed complete discussion with them. CTFN will be requesting data from the BC government counting out with the Yukon data so we have an entire view of CTFN's traditional territory and what is being harvest.

- **Tagish Local Area Plan and Tagish HPA Joint Meeting**

Natalie said they met last week as a joint meeting and one discussion was on the over lapping issues.

- **Southern Lakes Forestry Resource Planning - Lewes Marsh tour:**

Darwyn Coxon from UNBC will be doing a tour of Lewes Marsh on Tuesday August 23, in the afternoon. Please RSVP to Natalie or Linda if you would like to attend.

- Natalie shared with Council that they are planning on hosting an evening workshop consultation of the Water-Data-Mapping by Elenor at Skookies Camp on August 10, 2016 at 5pm.

8. Environment, YG - updates

Alain Fontaine attended the meeting in place of Lars Jessup and he provided Council an update on the following:

- Council asked on the possibility of sharing the Southern Lakes trout data with the CTRRC. Alain said it is still in the compiling stage and he will connect with Oliver on briefing CTRRC on the results.
- Lars is planning on inviting community observers from First Nations to the Caribou Composition Survey this fall late September or early October.
- Alain gave an update on Matt Clarke and Lars Jessup's position title.
Matt Clarke, Regional Manager
Lars Jessup, Acting/Regional Biologist

9. NYRRC Letter of Support

Linda tabled NYRRC letter of support for Council to review for revisions. Council made some changes on the letter and Council agreed and approved by consensus for Linda to submit to NYRRC.

Action: Linda will submit letter to NYRRC and to cc.

10. On the Land Gathering-2016, update

Albert James raised concerns with council on scheduling a meeting to discuss future budget plans for the surplus funds. Council agreed that CTRRC will need to schedule a couple of meetings for discussion and decisions. Ken suggested looking at scheduling a meeting at the end of August to review some future projects, etc.

Action: This item will be tabled on the September agenda for further discussion.

Add:

Class 1 Judas Creek Application

Ken tabled the email that was received by Alain Fontaine regarding Nicolai Goeppel that had applied for a Class 1 application.

Linda forward email to all members and printed off the application and the class criteria for Council to review.

Council agreed by consensus that CTRRC draft a letter and submit comments to Mining Lands Officer, deadline for submitting comments is August 16, 2016.

Action: Linda will send previous letter that was drafted for YESAB to Randy to review for revision to present to Mining Lands Officer.

Action: Alain said that he will forward a copy of their comment letter to CTRRC.

Meetings/Workshop

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 2:30 pm

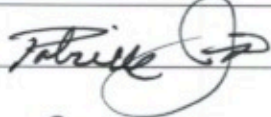
NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 12, 2016

Minutes Read and Adopted: _____ As Read ☒ As amended

Date:

September 12/16

Proposed by:



Second by:

