

WASKESIU COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Public Council Meeting: Friday, October 31st, 2014 – WCC and Parks Canada

Location: The Hawood Inn

Attending: Brian Morgan, Brent Hamel, Randy Kershaw, Nancy Wood Archer,
Jim Kerby, Bryan Matheson, PCA: Alan Fehr, Terry Schneider, Norm Stolle.

Regrets: Janice MacKinnon

Agenda Topics:

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| 1. Call to Order | Brian Morgan | 11:05 AM |
| 2. Approval of Agenda | | |
| | Bryan Matheson/Randy Kershaw | Carried |
| 3. Approval of September 16, 2014 Meeting Minutes | Brian Morgan | |
| | Randy Kershaw/ Jim Kerby | Carried |
| 4. Townsite Report | Terry Schneider | |

• Spruce Health Report 2014

-Dustin Guedo, Ecologist Team leader to present report.

Dustin gave a PowerPoint presentation (included with this document) on Vegetation Management Activities for the Waskesiu townsite with the following overall summary:

- Observed a second year with little to no defoliation from spruce budworm.
- Defoliation decreased by 45% from 2011 levels.
- Both Treated and Untreated areas are in “Good” condition.
- Defoliation in the Untreated areas is at extremely low levels (<1%) indicating a very low spruce budworm population outside of the townsite.

• 2013 Cabin Guidelines 2013

-For Discussion/Decision: (Further to discussion held in September 2014)

Proposed Amendment to 2013 Prince Albert National Park Cabin Development Guidelines Section 15. Sidewalks and Decks: A. Sidewalks – second bullet

*“One 0.91 m wide (3.0’) sidewalk **on the entry door side of the cabin**, not to exceed the length of the cabin may be constructed adjacent to the cabin. This sidewalk will not be considered part of the allowable deck size if it ends at the front or rear of the cabin.”*

- PCA’s current interpretation and administration of this point is that if such sidewalk exceeds the prescribed width or length it will be considered to be part of the deck.

For clarity, adding the following statement as an Amendment to the 2013 version of the Guidelines is, in the opinion of PCA, required:

“This sidewalk will be considered to be deck if it exceeds 0.91 m (3.0’) in width.”

Discussion ensued and Council suggested an addition to the wording to clarify where the said sidewalk is. A proposed amendment is as shown above in red. Alternate wording will be provided by Jim Kerby to PCA for consideration. Once revised, PCA will present revised draft

wording to The Waskesiu Seasonal Residents Association for their consideration and before Council's December 10th meeting.

- Fall 2014 Street Repairs
 - Balsam Street/Lakeview Drive Road Failure – completed.
 - Willow, Spruce and Wapiti – road work did not happen.
 - Highway 263 at Prospect Point – completed.
- Nature Centre – Shoreline Slump Area
 - Contract completed in October 2014.
- Nature Centre – Building upgrades
 - Work to remove theatre area, install running water public washrooms and to prepare building for future exhibit upgrades has commenced. The building will be put back in a functional state for 2015 operating season.
- Water Valves - Replacement Project
 - Ruzkowski Enterprises - Replacement of 4 water valves. Work to take place in the fall of 2014.
- Fire Hall Roof - Upgrade Contract
 - Contract awarded. Weather providing work to be completed this fall or by June 30, 2015.
- Beaver Glen Campground – Electrification Project
 - Contract work has commenced in October 2014.
 - Work to be completed in fall of 2014 to bring power to approximately 90 sites in Beaver Glen campground which are currently without such service.
- Waskesiu Multi Season Camp Kitchen
 - Formal agreement with the Waskesiu Foundation has been executed.
 - Underground power service has been brought to the multi season camp kitchen site.
 - Construction upgrades to commence in December 2014.
- Playground Project
 - Amending agreement with the Waskesiu Foundation to provide (for addition of saucer swing, climbing log and upgraded rope climbing apparatus) has been executed.
 - September 23/24, 2014 – Playground contractors were to be on site to mark concrete pad locations and to install same.
 - Large boulders that will be incorporated into playground design in the spring of 2015 have been delivered to the playground site.
 - First delivery of equipment has arrived and placed into storage for the winter.
- Cabin Area swale contract
 - TLS Landscaping completed work on Bluebird/Chickadee, Jay/Kingfisher and a host of other smaller swale project sites in September 2014.
- Lakeside Festival 2015
 - Planning meeting held on September 24, 2014.
 - Next meeting to be held in Waskesiu on November 19, 2014.

-“DRAFT” Partnering Agreement with WCC – Brian Morgan and Jim Kerby will review and get back to Parks Canada with changes/approval.

A motion was made to approve Waskesiu Community Council enter into a partnering agreement with Parks Canada in a form acceptable to the Council Chair.

Bryan Matheson/Jim Kerby

Carried

- SaskPower Street Lights
 - Computer programming issue with street light system has been corrected. Balance of new street light heads were installed this fall by SaskPower.
 - Winter 2014/2015 - Intend to follow the street light on/off/dimming plan that was in place during Winter 2013/2014.
 - SaskPower Vegetation Management
 - Call with SaskPower official on October 27, 2014 to determine their intentions for winter 2014/2015. Suggest that priority area needs to be maintenance along primary power lines running within cottage subdivisions and bungalow camp area along lake front.
 - Vegetation Management by PANP
 - Staff extension work to remove up to 100 hazardous trees along Waskesiu lakeshore area from Lift station #2 to end of Lily Street is complete.
 - South Bay parking lot area – bluff of trees next to lake shore has been removed to improve view and enlarge parking space. Other day use area and trail improvements made at this site.
 - Viewscapes at Point View and Kapasiwin areas to be maintained.
 - Arena
 - Chamber of Commerce has priced out materials for interior ceiling and insulation improvements.
 - Yard Waste Directive
 - DRAFT updated document) – For Discussion
 - Discussion ensued. Council very concerned about changes suggested.
 - PCA will go back and re-work the document.
 - Fire Chief’s Report for September 2014
 - Report is included with this document.
 - 5. Other Business
 - iNet 2000 – discussion on upgrading their signal at Waskesiu.
 - Working Lunch **12:00 PM**
 - 6. Next Meeting – Wednesday, December 10th, 9:00 am
Saskatoon Club
 - 7. Adjournment **1:25 PM**
- Randy Kershaw**