

Minutes of the Meeting of the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine Heritage Advisory Commission held Wednesday March 5, 2014, in the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine Board Room, 300 - 4545 Lazelle Avenue, Terrace, BC, commencing at 7:00 pm.

Members in Attendance

Kelsey Wiebe, member at large (in person)
Maggie Carew, Hazelton area member (by teleconference)
Shirley Rosichuk, Stewart/Nass area member (by teleconference)
Amanda Marshall, Terrace area member (in person)
Maggie Baxter, member at large (in person)
Walter Thorne, Kitimat area alternate (by teleconference)

Members Absent

Web Bennett, Terrace area alternate
Shannon Hurst Hazelton area alternate
Amanda Jacobs, Dease Lake/Telegraph Creek are member

Regional District Representatives in Attendance

Ken Newman, Planner (in person)

Regional District Representatives Absent

Dave Brocklebank, Board Director, Area D

Others in Attendance

Graham Gange, Spectra Energy
Mark Amundrud, Spectra Energy, Community Coordinator

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Election of Chair

Ken Newman called for nomination for Chair.

Kelsey Wiebe was nominated as Chair by Amanda Marshall.

Moved by Amanda Marshall/Shirley Rosichuk that Kelsey Wiebe be appointed chair of the Regionall District Heritage Advisory Commission

Carried

Introduction

Kelsey did some introduction of those in attendance including the guests from Spectra Energy.

Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Shirley Rosichuk/Amanda Marshall to adopt the agenda as presented.

Carried

Adoption of Minutes from the June 14, 2013, Meeting

Moved by Maggie Carew/Shirley Rosichuk to adopt the minutes of June 14, 2013 as presented.

Carried

Business Arising

Ken provided an update on the Crown Lands referral for a License of Occupation for a proposed industrial camp to be located near Refuge Lake that would have been built over the Regional District's Yukon Telegraph Line heritage site. Before the heritage commission's recommendation could be presented to the Regional District Board the application was withdrawn because applicant had found an alternate location for their camp.

Ken also provided the members with an updated heritage resources list based on the discussions from the June 6th meeting.

LNG Pipelines and the Yukon Telegraph Trail

Ken presented a short report about the situation regarding two proposed Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) pipelines that could cross over the Yukon Telegraph line heritage site in the Kispiox or the upper Skeena valleys. TransCanada and Spectra Energy are both investigating the possibility of building a LNG pipeline to Prince Rupert. Similar to the situation with the Northwest Transmission Line there maybe opportunity to minimize impacts on the heritage site by providing information and advice and further there may be opportunity for compensation should the pipelines have to cross. Compensation may come in the form of financial support for a related heritage project.

Graham and Mark of Spectra Energy summarized the Westcoast Connector Transmission pipeline project. They were willing to take the time to overlay the proposed pipeline route with any telegraph trail location information available and bring back the results to a subsequent meeting. They noted that since the Yukon Telegraph does not predate 1846 and therefore does not get automatic protection under the Heritage Act. They suggested the Heritage Commission write a letter to Spectra outlining their interest and concern regarding the pipeline and the Yukon Telegraph Line. They further noted there are currently project grants up to \$5000 and that should the project go ahead will be further opportunity for funding grants for heritage projects.

Graham and Mark left the meeting at 8:05 PM

Heritage Budget for 2014

Ken informed the group of the amount of the heritage budget for 2014 and some discussion about possible projects occurred. Maggie Baxter informed the members that a heritage group from the City of Terrace has been planning some celebration in early April of the 100th anniversary of the arrival of the first Grand Trunk Pacific Railway train from the east through to Prince Rupert. The group discussed some ideas that could be done including a brochure, newspaper article or a poster and somehow tie in the Dorreen and Pacific heritage sites.

Action: Ken will investigate what the Terrace heritage group is doing and consider how the Regional District might participate and inform members of some ideas.

The members also discussed some possible sites to be added to the community heritage registry. They reviewed the information about Dease Landing and Tramville/Red Rose mine. Kelsey stated the Terrace Heritage Park Museum was done a lot of research on the Lakelse Lake Hot Springs and had been donated a number of old photos. She could provide more information to the members at the next meeting. Amanda Jacobs sent an email stating she would talk to some people in Dease Lake about the Dease Landing site before moving forward with adding that site. Maggie Carew suggested a good contact for information about Tramville was Don Steele.

Action: Kelsey to provide more information to the members about a possible heritage site at Lakelse Lake to recognize the hot springs. Ask Amanda Jacobs to bring information back to the members about the results of her discussion about Dease Landing. Ken will do more research on the discussed potential heritage sites.

Commission Member Terms

Ken informed the group about those whose terms were due to expire in 2014 and asked that those willing to continue for another two year term let him know. Ken said he would follow up with an email for those who were not in attendance. Maggie Carew stated she would not be able to continue for another term.

Action: Ken will send out an email to the members asking them if they wish to continue for another two year term.

New Business

Maggie Carew noted that Shannon had moved to Alberta and she didn't know if or when she was going to move back to Hazelton.

Next Meeting

In early May preferably before May 10th.

Adjournment

MOVED by Maggie Baxter that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Carried

Chairperson

Recording Secretary

Date