

Wabamun Watershed Management Council
Board Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2021 (Zoom)

In Attendance: Don Meredith, Stan Kobytko, Dave Ball, Neil Fleming, Stan Franklin, Sue Styles, Arin MacFarlane Dyer, Doug Thomas.

1. Welcome and Introduction.
2. Review and approval of Agenda.
Stan K/Sue Styles Approved.
3. Review and approval of minutes from August 18, 2021 Board meeting.
Minutes accepted as presented.
4. Website, Mail Chimp and Facebook Reports.
 - Don submitted his report in advance of the meeting. There were 591 visits to the website in August, down slightly from July. There was no Mail Chimp report for August. Don will continue to develop a Fall Newsletter.
 - Neil advised that at last count the Facebook page continues to draw more members, the current total being 593.
5. Treasurer's Report.
 - Dave submitted the Treasurer's report in advance of the meeting and the report was approved as submitted. Unencumbered funds total \$6636.46.
 - Arin has prepared a draft of the final report for the LSC grant. She indicated that the final report and accounting was not due until March 31, 2022.
6. Sponsorships
 - Sue reported that the Sponsorships Committee (Sue, Neil and Michelle) have had meetings since the last Board meeting. As a result, sponsorship requests have been sent out to members and through Facebook. The donor page on the website has also been amended to reflect the current sponsorship program. She also advised that an "acknowledgement package" for donors is being developed.
 - Sue will be contacting Leah Kongsrude at NSWA to further discussions regarding the potential for charitable donations to NSWA to fund activities in the Wabamun watershed.
7. Highvale Mine Reclamation Project

- TransAlta had agreed to provide a presentation regarding its vision for a revised reclamation plan for the Highvale site. The presentation took place on line just before today's Board meeting. Attendees at the presentation in addition to TransAlta staff included members of the WWMC Board, NSWA officials, a representative from Parkland County and the Mayor of Betula Beach. Stan will prepare notes from the presentation.

8. Watershed Management Plan

- Dave presented the following draft resolution confirming WWMC support of the Wabamun Lake Watershed Management Plan and the future work of the WMP Steering Committee in the implementation of the Plan.

The WWMC having assisted in the development of the Wabamun Watershed Management Plan (the "Plan") and having read and considered the Plan resolves as follows:

1. To approve the Plan and to work to implement the recommendations directly pertaining to the WWMC.

2. To support the work of and assist, where reasonable, other stakeholders in the Wabamun Lake watershed and the Plan's Steering Committee to implement the goals and objectives of the Plan. Motion to approve the resolution - Sue Styles/Neil Fleming Motion approved.

- Neil advised that the Seba Beach Village Council has accepted the WMP as a planning guide.

9. ALMS Water Sampling

- The 2021 Lakewatch and Satellite samplings have been completed. The 2021/2022 winter sampling program is still being developed by ALMS. The first sampling will depend on ice conditions and will likely not be undertaken until December.

10. 2021 AGM

- The 2021 AGM will held on Zoom on October 20, 2021 commencing at 7:00PM.
- Stan will determine if TransAlta would be able to provide a presentation to the meeting regarding the Highvale reclamation update.

11. Next Meeting: AGM October 20, 2021 (Zoom)