

Wabamun Watershed Management Council

Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom)

January 12, 2022

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Sue Styles, Neil Fleming, Don Meredith, Arin MacFarlane Dyer, Stan Franklin.

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of Agenda,

- Item 7 on the Agenda "Next Executive Meeting" amended to read "February 9, 2022 @ 1:00 - 2:30",

3. Approval of Minutes from December 15, 2021 Executive Meeting.

4. Business Arising December 15, 2021 Minutes.

- Bylaw revision - Approval of Bylaw amendments will require a Special Meeting of the Members on 30 days notice. If the June Board meeting is the target for designation as a Special Meeting, the proposed Bylaw amendments would need to be completed and circulated for comments in time for approval in principle by the Board at its April Board meeting.
- Signing Authority - Dave Ball is attending to the necessary changes.
- Charitable status - Sue will be contacting Doug Thomas regarding the basic requirements for a Society to meet to qualify.
- Video #2 from Michael Short - Michael will be coming out on January 14th for the January water sampling to do video recording of the sampling and to conduct interviews with Sue, Martino, Krista Quesnel and Brad Peter. Neil will speak to Michael regarding the budget for this video and any other work proposed by Michael on this project. The intended theme for Video #2 is "partnerships in the watershed".
- LSC grant - an upcoming Newsletter from LSC will feature a piece on the Implementation of the Wabamun WMP. Sue will be providing input to LSC on content of the piece.
- WRRP grant application by Parkland County re Silver Sands shoreline restoration - Arin indicated that the application process has closed and applications are being evaluated.
- WMP Steering Committee - Sue advised that NSWA will be responsible for preparing minutes from future SC meetings that will be circulated to SC members. The outcome of the Alberta Community Partnership grant application by NSWA will not be known until sometime after the end of the Government's fiscal year (March 31). The next meeting of the SC will be scheduled for late February.

5. Director/Committee Updates.

- Treasurer Update - Sue presented Dave's updated financial report as of December 31, 2021.
- Communications - Don reported that Sue's year end update has been posted on the website and sent out to members.
- Sponsorship and Donations - Sue presented a draft of the report on donations and sponsorships from July 2021 to December 31, 2021.

6. Strategic Planning.

- General discussion about previous strategic planning initiatives and what the next generation of planning might look like. Communications will be an integral part of any future plan and Don referred to a 2013 "Communications Plan" that he would circulate. Sue will also review the various planning materials prepared in 2021 by Carman McNary.

7. Miscellaneous'

- We will need to clarify whether Robert Fernandez will continue to be Parkland County's designated member on the WWMC Board. If he is not then asking for a member of Council to be the representative would make sense.
- There was some discussion about the visibility of the Facebook link on the website and a suggestion that it be brought to the top of the opening page from the bottom. Don will consider this.
- The two new Board members (Denny Thomas and Doug Thomas) will be introduced and a brief bio for each will be posted by Neil on Facebook. There was some discussion about including some bio material on the website for all Board members to give the community some background on who is on the Board and what they bring to the organization.

8. Future Meetings:

- **January 19, 2022 (4:00 - 6:00) Board Meeting.**
- **February 9, 2022 (1:00 - 2:30) Executive Committee.**
- **February 16, 2022 (4:00 - 6:00) Board Meeting.**