

**Wabamun Watershed Management Council
Executive Meeting
July 18, 2022 (Zoom)
Minutes**

In Attendance: Sue Styles (Chair), Don Meredith, Dave Ball, Denny Thomas, Neil Fleming and Stan Franklin.

1. **Call to Order.**
Sue Styles called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.
2. **Review and approval of Agenda.**
Approved.
3. **Review and approval of minutes from June 15, 2022 Executive meeting.**
Deferred to the August Executive Meeting.
4. **On Going Business:**
 - **TransAlta/Highvale Mine Reclamation** – Stan will contact Stacey Lauder to determine if there is an Executive Summary of the filed Reclamation Plan that could be provided to us and also David Chanasyk. Stan will also send David Chanasyk the link to the Summer Newsletter that has Arin’s description of the MikeSHE modelling project.
 - **Sundance Water Treatment Plant** – Stan will contact Stacey Lauder to determine if the WTP is now operating.
 - **Sundance Boat Launch** – Construction is underway.
 - **ALMS LakeWatch Program** – The August sampling will take place on August 4th, weather permitting. Neil will be providing his boat. The July sampling was attended by Rick MacPhee, Mayor of the SV of Seba Beach.
 - **WWMC Summer Education/AIS Boat Inspection Event** – Neil reported that a media release has gone out for the event and that Parkland County will be providing refreshments. Volunteers should arrange to be at the Wabamun Boat Launch by 7:00am for set up.

Neil also reported that the SV Seba Beach will be hosting a Septic Sense webinar on July 20th at 6:30pm. Regarding the August long weekend, Neil indicated that he would be organizing a WWMC entry into the Saturday parade.

Randy Heil will be coordinating an information session at the Provincial Park boat launch on August 13th.

- Reed Bed naturalization – Michelle is working with an associate to determine if mapping of reed beds from 1984 onwards would be possible using Google Earth and if so what the costs might be.
- Fund Raising 2022-2023 – Michelle is working on a fund-raising letter and there will be media contacts in the near future.
- Bylaws – Stan reported that the documents have been provided to Alberta Registries and he is waiting for a response. Sue indicated that she is working on the application the CRA for charitable status. Once the Bylaws have been approved by Registries the application to CRA will follow.
- WMP Steering Committee – Sue indicated that the SC will be meeting in person on July 27th at the former Wabamun Municipal office. The meeting will include a brief tour of creeks and potential restoration sites.

5. **New Business:**

- The July Board meeting is cancelled and the next Board meeting will be held on August 17th with an Executive Committee meeting on August 10th.
- On June 29/2022 Parkland County advised the WWMC that Robert Fernandez has left employment with Parkland County and will therefore no longer be the municipal government representative for Parkland County on the Wabamun Watershed Management Council.
- Ridge Water Area Structure Plan application – Denny will prepare a response to the letter from the developer’s planning consultant. A similar response will be prepared and sent to the developer proposing a canal based residential development in the Hamlet of Wabamun.
- Long term land use in the Highvale Mine site – a discussion took place about what if any role the WWMC should play in advocating for particular public uses, conservation areas and environmental protection area – including possible collaboration with other interested groups or organizations.

- Wabamun “Carbon Hub” – the Carbon Hub is a proposed project by Enbridge involving CO2 injection into deep wells. Sue will send out background information on the project to Board members.
6. **Next Executive Meeting: August 10, 2022 @4:00-6:00PM.**
- Next Board Meeting: August 17, 2022 @4:00-6:00PM**