

WABAMUN WATERSHED MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

AUGUST 10, 2022

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Sue Styles, Don Meredith, Randy Heil, Neil Fleming, Denny Thomas and Stan Franklin.

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of Agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes.

- June 15, 2022 Approved.
- July 18, 2022 Approved as amended - Item 3 June 15, 2022 and addition of item to reflect the notice received from Parkland County that Robert Fernandez is no longer the County's representative on the Board.

4. Ongoing Business.

a. TransAlta

- Highvale Mine Reclamation - David Chanasyk will be returning to Alberta at the end of August and Stan is awaiting a response from TransAlta regarding the possible release of an Executive Summary of the Reclamation Plan submitted to AER at the end of June.
- Sundance WTP - it is anticipated that the Plant will be operational sometime in the next week subject to any issues with the boat launch construction.
- Reclaimed Ash project - no further information has been received.

b. Summer Water Sampling.

- The August sampling has been completed and was attended by a number of municipal officials.

c. WWMC Education Outreach.

- Neil reported on the AIS event at the Wabamun Boat Launch.
- Neil also reported that on September 6th, a number of members of Municipal Councils in the watershed will meet with MLA Getson regarding possible Provincial support of a municipal sewage inspection project.
- Randy will be coordinating a watershed information event on August 13th at the Provincial Park boat launch.
- The Seba Beach Seniors' will be holding an event at their hall on August 17th.

d. Municipalities.

- Parkland County Whitewood Sands Riparian Restoration - no additional information available at this time.
- Seba Beach - Neil indicated that following the Septic Sense workshop the Village will be considering an inspection program of systems in the Village and the estimated the costs of such a program.

e. Reed Bed Restoration.

- Sue reported that a member of Michele Foster's firm will undertake a reed mapping project which could be completed in late August or early September.

f. Governance.

- Bylaws - the revised Bylaws have been filed with Alberta Registries. The "Guiding Principles" formerly contained in the Bylaws will now be published as a Board Policy. Sue provided a draft for review that will be considered at the August 17th Board meeting.
- CRA Application - the submission has been reviewed by the Governance Committee and following minor edits will be sent to CRA.

g. Communications Update.

- Don indicated that the cyanobacteria page on the website was the 3rd most viewed last month. Neil advised that the Facebook site now has 700 members.

h. Treasurer's Update.

- Signing Authority has been updated at TD. Signing officers are Sue, Stan and Dave.
- Sue requested approval of a \$250 sponsor's donation to ALMS for its September 28th Conference. Don/Neil Approved.

i. Fund Raising.

- The Fundraising Committee will consider, as part of its outreach, advising the community that the WWMC has submitted an application for charitable status.

j. WMP Steering Committee

- On July 27th the SC completed a riparian area tour of certain locations on the lake as part of its scheduled meeting. Minutes from the meeting should be available shortly.

5. New Business.

a. Ridge Water Development and LC Greenough Construction development proposals.

- Denny Thomas will consider and draft a response to each proponent.

b. Wabamun Carbon Hub.

- Sue will contact Arin to see if the Department has any background information that would assist in determining whether there is any potential for impact on the watershed.

c. Excessive Boat Noise.

- After some discussion, it was agreed that Neil would register the WWMC as a member of The Decibel Coalition.

6. Next Meetings: Board Meeting August 17, 2022 from 4-6pm.
 Executive Meeting September 14, 2022 from 4-6pm.