

KLUANE FIRST NATION ELDERS COUNCIL MINUTES March 8, 2017

PRESENT: Christabelle Carlick (Chair) Sylvia Ostashek (Recording Secretary), Agnes Johnson, Keith Johnson, Sharon Kabanak, Sandra Johnson, Lena Johnson - By Phone: Kluane Martin, Inez Larsen, Mary Easterson, Lorraine Mitchell, Gloria Johnson, Michael Johnson, Louise Bouvier

Time	Agenda Item	Minutes	Action Item & Person Responsible
10:16	Call to Order		
	Welcome & Prayer	Mary Easterson	
	Adoption of Agenda & Additions	<p>Christabelle advised she would write down who would like to speak and go in order to keep her on track while Chairing the meeting.</p> <p>Motion to approve the agenda: Moved: Inez Larsen Seconded: Sharon Kabanak Passed by Consensus Additions to the Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regional Engagement on First Nation Child Welfare March 21 & 22 - Update on Geothermal - Update on ED - Strategic Plan Community Meeting - Moment of Silence 	
	Moment of Silence	A moment of silence was held in honor of Elder Kirk Johnson	
	Minutes of the January 18, 2017 meeting For adoption	<p>Keith read out all the action items from the January 18, 2017 minutes.</p> <p>Motion to approve the Minutes with the following stipulation: *if there is any disagreement with Elders attending this meeting who have not seen the minutes, they can be changed at the April meeting</p> <p>Moved: Sharon Kabanak Seconded: Keith Johnson Passed by Consensus</p>	
	DNR Orders	Sylvia handed out the forms that can be filled out for DNR orders and let	

		<p>everyone know Robert van Lieshout or Tralee Macdonald from Wellness and Education would be available to help them fill the forms out. They were also given information to contact Carmen Gustafson from the Yukon Public Legal Education Association in Whitehorse, who could also provide assistance filling in the forms.</p>	
	<p>Parks Canada Presentation</p> <p>Workplan – Budget meetings</p> <p>Cultus Bay Policy update</p> <p>Housing Policy/Committee</p>	<p>Chrissy advised there would be a presentation at lunch time from Parks Canada about the Corridor at Sheep Mountain</p> <p>Chrissy advised the Workplan and Budget review Council meeting would be held on March 24th and any of the Elders were welcome to join in the meetings. The new budget should be available on March 27th.</p> <p>It was queried who was attending the meetings regarding Residential School Survivors as there were Elders that were Residential School Survivors and they are never notified about meetings.</p> <p>Lisa was unavailable to attend the meeting It was noted there were concerns from the Elders that Policies would not be ready for the General Assembly and a Policy Analyst should be hired. Chrissy advised this subject would be addressed in the Strategic Plan meeting March 22nd.</p> <p>Keith provided an update on the Housing Policy/Committee, he noted the KFN Rental Housing Policy is the Policy in use and under section 6 – Roles and Responsibilities of the KFN Rental Housing Policy Section 6.3:</p> <p>6.3 Management Team According to Kluane First Nation Governance Policy July 2013, the Management Team is responsible to:</p> <p>a) Develop annual budgets and work plans for housing activities for approval by Council; and</p>	<p>Deferred to the April meeting</p>

	<p>Update Wills done by Dave Joe with CYFN</p> <p>Elders Meeting Schedule</p> <p>Adopted Minutes from previous Council meetings</p> <p>Geothermal update</p>	<p>b) Make decisions and recommendations, within the scope of its authority, regarding the rental housing program; and</p> <p>c) Review housing goals and recommend changes in policy to Council as needed; and</p> <p>d) Ensure the rental housing policy is applied and enforced; and</p> <p>e) Approve all applications for rental housing; and</p> <p>f) Report to Chief and Council on housing activities and present recommendations for policy revisions to Chief and Council as required; and</p> <p>g) Promote tenant responsibility and accountability with respect to the rental housing program.</p> <p>Sylvia advised she had researched this item and neither Dave Joe or CYFN have copies of these Wills any longer. It was noted the Wills would have been very old so if CYFN had kept a copy they could have been destroyed per their retention schedule. Kluane Martin advised when her mother had passed away she had gotten a copy of her Will at that time from CYFN, but that was many years ago, she had also been told Dave Joe had not kept copies of the Wills when he had completed them.</p> <p>Sylvia had copies of the Elders meeting schedule available for anyone who had not yet received one and advised she could also email if required.</p> <p>This item was in the agenda package for information only at the Elders request.</p> <p>Keith advised nothing had been done recently with geothermal however, if the Water Treatment Plant is built this year, there may be the potential to heat it with geothermal. He noted there was also discussion in the previous of a year round greenhouse with geothermal heat, but that has not yet happened.</p> <p>He noted it had been discovered there was arsenic in the water and there were concerns with it when it was brought out of the ground and how to treat it</p>	<p>PWMS to find out if the wells in Destruction Bay have been tested for arsenic in the water.</p>
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	Elders Concerns	Deferred to after presentation	
	Presentation – Alaska Highway Gas Thesis from Kai Peetoom	<p>Kai introduced himself noting he was doing his Thesis for his Master of Science degree in the Natural Resources and Environmental Studies Program at the University of Northern BC. He advised the research project has been developed in partnership with Kluane First Nation and the University and a research protocol agreement is in place. He also introduced his research assistant Taylor who would be working with him for the next month or two.</p> <p>It was noted this was the pipeline that would go through the lake. It was noted that it was understood that KFN disagreed with this happening. He noted the issue on the easement is when the easement was registered KFN was still in Land Claims negotiations so the easement was still considered crown land.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The presentation given by Kai is attached to and form a part of these minutes <p>The following items were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elders have always had concerns about the impacts of this pipeline on the people, land and animals in the area - He approached the research based more toward the KFN views and interviewed Elders and staff (It was noted all staff interviewed were also KFN citizens - Transcripts from interviews would be submitted to the KFN archives when this project is completed - The importance of the KFN homeland was brought of many times during interviews - When complete the Thesis will be given to KFN for information as well - This project was approved by the previous Chief & Council and there has been no cost to KFN <p>Kai noted he had some money available for Elders Honorariums, if anyone would like to be interviewed to contact Taylor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is a research protocol agreement in place with KFN - UNBC would own the rights (I believe) a book could be written from the thesis, but Kai advised he had no intention of writing a book 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - KFN has some of the land that overlaps the easement and would receive substantial revenue if the pipeline was ever built - All KFN Youth that were interviewed were not aware of the pipeline project at all - The Summary report should be complete around September 2017 - This is just an update of the research and findings from the interviews - It was queried if there was a possibility of this pipeline being built in the near future and KFN citizens being able to see the economic benefits - It was this has been dragging on for a long time and it doesn't look like there would be any economic benefit in the hear future - It doesn't look like any of the forecasts predict this pipeline going through - It was queried if Kai had worked with any other First Nations besides KFN on his thesis – no, it would be too much information to go through, KFN was selected because of his past history with them when the Land Use Plan was developed - It was queried if he would be doing a presentation at the GA – he advised he did not have the money in his budget at this time - He noted KFN had been leaders on this issue in the past and he had focused more on the recent negotiations from 2012 and not the information from 1970 as it was very outdated <p>The Elders thanked Kai for his presentation</p>	
	<p>Regional Engagement on First Nation Child Welfare March 21 & 22</p>	<p>Christabelle advised Monique had given her an email with the following information and any Elders who would like to attend could contact Monique for more information.</p> <p>The INAC Ministerial Special Representative just met with the Health & Social Commission to discuss First Nation Child Welfare. This is something that the INAC Minister is looking at as a result of a Human Rights Tribunal decision that was made.</p> <p>CYFN is going to coordinate a 2 day regional engagement event on March 21st and 22nd in Whitehorse. They will be covering the costs for 4 people to attend from each First Nation.</p> <p>Sharon Kabanak and Kluane Martin would like to attend the meeting. They were advised to contact Monique</p>	

	Continuing the Elders meeting after lunch	Christabelle asked if the Elders would like to go through the Elders concerns at 1:00 pm or defer them to the April meeting. It was agreed the Elders Concerns would be deferred to the April 19 th Elders meeting.	Elders concerns were deferred to the April 19 th Elders Council meeting.
	Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 pm	
	Next meeting schedule	The next elders meeting would be Wednesday April 19 th , 2017.	

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