

Council Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2023

In Attendance:

Bob Dickson, Chief
Bertha Doris – Councillor
Colesen Ford - Youth Councillor

Nathan Cross-A/Executive Director
Becky Miller, Executive Manager

Opening Prayer 9:05 AM

Motion: 2023: 01-01: Council moves to approve January 26th agenda with the addition of Youth Council update.

Moved: Bertha Doris

Seconded: Colesen Ford

Passed by Consensus

Motion: 2023-01-02: Council moves to approve October 26-27 and November 10, 2022 minutes with correction of spelling errors.

Moved: Colesen Ford

Seconded: Bertha Doris

Consensus

Chiefs Update:

- January 21st Community meeting was discussed on January 25
- Work on defining Our Way and putting priorities under our way
- Draft priorities letter for new premier building on existing priorities
 - Clarification on KFN priorities is separate from priorities we send to YG
- A date has not been set for staff meeting, directors meeting on Jan 31 then have all staff mtg
- Discussion on power outage-PWMS was tasked to purchase back up generators the last time power was out, and this has not happened, staff should be helping out when situations like this rise rather than leave and go home
- We need to have transferrable generators and control person to access these buildings when we use back up power and send ATCO the power bill
- ATCO advises people to be prepared for power outages
- Council schedule will be as follows and remaining schedule will be set in June

Elders Council Meeting	Council Meeting Dates
February 22 nd , 2023	February 23 rd , 2023 Council
March 15 th , 2023	March 16 th , March 29 th (Budget Approval)
April 19 th , 2023	April 20 th , 2023
May 17 th , 2023	May 18 th , 2023
June 14 th , 2023	June 15 th , 2023
July 19 th , 2023	July 20 th , 2023
AGA on June 23-25 th , 2023	

Action Item 1: EM to send out Council schedule to all staff.

Mining Legislation-Frank

- Lands manager is seeking council direction on moving forward with mining legislation and how they would like to be briefed

- Currently going into consultation phase and YG will be visiting every community in Yukon and is hoping to be in community on March 30th or the 31st
- How does Council want to engage with YG
 - Council will meet with LRH department
- Steering committee will be meeting on Feb 1-2 to review report
 - Council would like time to review report
- KFN's interest may be different than other FN's
 - WRFN overlap implications, YG can contribute and guide, but this may not apply to overlap
- Council will meet with LRH on March 9th to discuss mining legislation

Action Item 2: Lands manager and EM will finalize details on March 9th council to meet with LRH department to discuss mining legislation

Finance: Mary Anne

- Finance worked on briefing note on issuing EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) payments for a trial run for invoices, honoraria, travel
- As there are only 2 council members within the community as signatories we could face with delays to payments
- We may be asked the question instead of where's my cheque? Where is my EFT payment?
 - We will need to advise people that this is still a process in place issuing EFT payments
- This will also require a policy change to Finance Policy
- Council is in support of issuing EFT payments and approve amending Finance Policy adding EFT's as a form of payment
- Tokens are set to expire through CIBC and a second person needs to be added, finance director recommends executive manager
 - Council is agreement with EM and will sign letter advising CIBC of this change
- Review consolidated financials as presented, currently at a surplus and no deficit
- Will have a better idea of where we are at next month on the consolidated statement

Action Item 3: Finance will draft notice to community on EFT payment procedures and make amendments to Finance Policy reflecting this.

Motion: 2023-01-03: Council moves to approve offering EFT payments for a trial run of 3 months and amending Finance Policy adding EFT's as form of payment.

Language Steering Committee: John Glynn-Morris

- Review update as provided, clarification on typo of LAC should read LSC for Language steering committee
- Discuss next steps and seeking guidance to implement
- Second round of engagement in November which included youth consultation
- Draft vision-requires further discussion and with LRH on whether heritage will remain part of this department
- All the work done to date has been great
- Ironing out what our way definition is
- The vision came from Citizenship consultation and working group

- Careful not to go too far on structure & programs until context is clear and will carry that forward once our way is defined
- Work on next steps and bring back later this spring
- John expressed his gratitude to Council for allowing committee to work on this
- Any advice for the committee on how to bring it to life on the next phase
 - Moving past COVID space
 - Comments from January 21st meeting on the importance of Citizenship involvement and kept up to date on projects
- Committee will ensure we are all on the right track and all included

Youth Councillor informs council that he has a meeting at 12:30-1:30 PM and council will not have quorum during this time

1:00 PM

PWMS-Danius, Neil Fletcher, Bojan

- Discuss housing summit and community development strategic planning
- Proposing Neil and Danius to facilitate this planning process as they are already familiar with community in order to get a better product
- What would be the product?
 - Funding timeline, working plan, analysis, and recommendations
- Admin building-actionable and practicable, create committee to start, promote health & well being, attracting people to come back
- Buildable 10 year comprehensive plan to cover all
- Exploring preliminary stage, KCDLP will factor into this
- Expand subdivisions-geo tech, power, engineers, and feasibility study
- What are the next steps how do we move this forward?
 - Have a community meeting
 - Engagement will have to be face to face
 - How do we manage communications, how do we roll this out in the next 12-24 months so its not a long drawn out process
- Council will need to get together and discuss, meet internally, and get back in the next 2 weeks
- Priority is fixing Jacquot Hall and the climate control. Mechanical engineer will be coming out to do assessment and provide recommendations at the end of next week
- Chip boiler and biomass problems with the system
- Daycare funding has been approved for 700k and can cover some existing problems listed with Jacquot Hall
- A plan for when power outages happen needs to be developed including backup generator for all buildings
- Nan Na Je, the new well has not been tested and we need to obtain a quote
- PWMS director can hydra test and sample
- 4 plex water room has moved to construction phase and will be operational sometime in February or March depending on mechanical
 - PWMS director will keep council updated

Action Item 4: Council to meet and discuss Community Strategic plan as presented and decision on ways to proceed.

Wellness & Education: Robert vi

- Follow up on request for funding from CYFN on supporting language salary
- Encourage KFN to assist with costs and recommend creating access to funding with policy and guidelines in discourage precedent setting as there is only applying for this and a lot of value supporting this
- Unsure if CYFN wants FNs to take over funding for this program
- This is salary, can this fall under education
- After this program what is the next steps?
- Council does not have quorum and will discuss again for a decision and looks in favor of contributing financially to support this

Action Item 5: Council will follow up on request from CYFN to contribute funds for language program assistance

Kêts'ádañ Kù Update

- Currently a hold on project due to budget, HPW still waiting
- Estimate came in at 29 million and approved to date is 22.5 million
- There have been cost cuts by KFN and it is at estimated 28 million which will hopefully be reflected in new budget
- Citizen update will be March 6-10 with new drawings
- Meet with Elders Council to discuss displays, artwork, learning circle, old maps, trails etc.
- Contract for tree clearing with KCDLP will be ready in couple of weeks and will be done on May 1st
- David Greer is new project manager for YG
- Look into having an event prior to May 1st tree clearing and have signage prepared

Federal Fiscal Policy: Steve B

- update on housing, Language and Cultural, infrastructure and lands & resources
- FFP was approved in 2018 and one time GAP closing funding was allocated
- Housing allocation for KFN is 5.2 million and next step is preparing action plans
- Culture, Language a& Heritage multi year funding over 10 years 1.7-2.9 million
- Funding is expected in formulas-which impacts small FN's
- Infrastructure is 2,718.918
- working on funding model to fund Lands & Resources, what types of positions and working on TT size and submit for approval in 2023
- focused on enhancing fiscal arrangements to meet real fiscal needs
- Remoteness, adjustors, social well being
- Where does reconciliation fit into policy?
 - It hasn't been built in FFP

Governance Update: Rhianna

- Elections committee meeting was postponed due to power outage
 - Suggest hiring CRO/ARO in advance of appointing a chair for this committee
- Citizenship committee meeting needs to take place, there are 2 pending transfer out of KFN
- Louise Bouvier is seeking reappointment to DKRRC for a three-year term

KCDLP Invoice:

- Council is satisfied with reporting received and will approve invoice as presented as per service agreement
- Council would like to request a meeting to discuss the following
 - Lodge
 - Arctic backhoe
 - Wind project
 - Tree clearing contract
 - And other projects on KFN TT that Citizens can benefit from

Motion: 2023-01-04: Council is satisfied with report received from KCDLP and approve issuing payment #2 as per service agreement.

Moved: Colesen Ford

Seconded: Bertha Doris

Hand Games Planning: Marissa

- A planning meeting took place on December 13th and recommendation of having KFN representative to work with planning committee
 - Suggest contracting this out to someone to help facilitate
- February 11th hand games tournament in Whitehorse will be held and would like to inform others of save the date for July tournament
- Suggested dates are July 14-16 or July 21-23
- July 14-16 will work best for KFN and will be held at Duke meadow
- Council would like project updates to streamline event
- Planning committee will inform Talbot Arms of dates and reserve hotel rooms
- Team will work on donation letter and will engage with community
- Looking into hosting drum making and regalia workshops prior to event
 - Confirm with Wellness department
 - Youth Council had identified these workshops as well and will have money to assist with this
- It would be nice to include younger youth for mentorship to assist with planning this event to provide them with important skills they will acquire. Planning committee will reach out to youth
- Planning committee will work on proposal for KFN and will include detailed budget, resources required and timeline
- KFN financial contribution will be captured under Youth budget
- Send this EM before March 2nd
- Council will support financially hosting the hand games tournament

Youth Council Update: Colesen

- Lost of momentum on Youth Council since started school
- Youth Center should be completed soon
- Cross over from youth on what we want to do
- Youth want to provide programs & workshops

Meeting Adjourned at 4:30 PM

Appendix: KFN Council Meeting Action Items

Action Items at Chief & Council meeting January 26, 2023				
Num	Item	Person in charge	Deadline	Notes
1.	<i>EM to send out Council schedule to all staff.</i>	Becky	Complete	
2.	<i>Lands manager and EM will finalize details on March 9th council to meet with LRH department to discuss mining legislation</i>	Becky/Frank	March 9	Changed to March 8
3.	<i>Finance will draft notice to community on EFT payment procedures and make amendments to Finance Policy reflecting this.</i>	Mary Anne	Complete Feb 9	
4.	<i>Council to meet and discuss Community Strategic plan as presented and decision on ways to proceed.</i>			
5.	<i>Council will follow up on request from CYFN to contribute funds for language program assistance</i>	Council	Complete Feb 7	