



2024-25 Meeting #4 - October 23, 2024
Yukon Land Use Planning Council Boardroom
9:00am - 1:00pm
MINUTES

Participants

Council: Al Foster (Interim Chair), Carl Sidney (Member).

Staff: Tim Sellars (Director), Micheal Jim (Land Relationship Planner), Julia Benn (Finance Manager – Zoom), Sam Skinner (Senior Planner).

Guests:

In person: Neil Salvin (past Chair), Kirsten Reid (DRPC Senior Planner), Toshibaa Govindaraj (DRPC Planner), Kim Melton (DRPC Planner - Zoom), Cynthia James (ED, TPC); Tara Fallat (Funds Application Manager, TPC).

Zoom: Amber Church (YG Manager of Regional Land Use Planning); Nathalie Lowry (ECC-Canadian Wildlife Service); Katie Fraser (Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in First Nation).

1. Review Agenda

Agenda amended:

1. Addition of Metallic Minerals Briefing.
2. Addition of White River First Nation Correspondence.

Motion 2024-10-01: To accept the revised October 23, 2024 Agenda.
Moved by Carl Sidney; Seconded by Al Foster; *Motion Passed*

2. YLUPC Minutes

Motion 2024-10-02: To approve the Minutes from Meeting #3, September 23, 2024 as presented.

Moved by Carl Sidney; Seconded by Al Foster; *Motion Passed*

3. Director and Chair Reports

Director's Report (Tim Sellars):

- Held meetings with White River First Nation and Kluane First Nation to discuss opportunities for planning.
- Attended CAFN Annual General Meeting and hosted a booth.
- Council met with Minister Streicker about how to work together to advance regional planning. Streicker suggested quarterly meetings; the next meeting is scheduled for January, 2025.



- Ongoing video project with the goal of collecting video recordings of TK Circle Members and Chairs. The content will be used in future presentations, website and social media content.
- Progress cataloguing of YLUPC photo library.
- Colleen James and Franklin Patterson have joined the Traditional Knowledge Circle.
- Annual report has been formatted & printed and is ready for distribution.

Chair's Report (Al Foster):

- Need for more women to be appointed to boards and committees by improving communications, as well as increasing honoraria to ensure compensation is fair.
- Ensure land planning is understood by municipalities, and to provide information for unincorporated communities. This would ensure understanding of land use planning and how it can affect them.
- Al is currently the interim chair. Once Neil receives letter of appointment, it will be decided who will be the next chair, or if the position will be shared.

Action: Reach out to LAC group to offer a presentation about Chapter 11 regional planning.

4. Debriefings

Traditional Knowledge Circle (Mike Jim)

- How We Walk program discussion - integrating Traditional Knowledge with Land Use Planning and adding new perspectives
- Land Gathering in Mayo
 - Revise work plan and recommendations towards embracing Traditional Knowledge.
 - Discussions took place regarding traditional laws, oral vs. written laws, and roles and responsibilities relating to the land.
 - Important to transfer Elder knowledge and traditions to the youth and incorporate youth involvement.
- Next Traditional Knowledge Circle will be held in January 2025

5. Finance

2024-25 YLUPC Interim Report and Budget (Tim Sellars and Julia Benn)

- As of mid-year, YLUPC is within 1% of budget.
- Request put forward for approval for reallocations from Administration and Personnel to Council and Special Projects:

Motion 2024-10-03: To accept and approve the YLUPC 2024-25 Interim Report and Budget reallocations and provide those to the Government of Yukon.

Moved by Al Foster; Seconded by Carl Sidney; *Motion Passed*

2024-25 DRPC Interim Report and Budget

- The Dawson Commission has approved the DRPC Interim Report and Budget.



- As of mid-year, DRPC is \$132,548 (63%) under budget, as a result of inactivity with plan development.
- DRPC is estimating a surplus of \$55,782 to be carried forward into 2025-26.

Motion 2024-10-04: To accept and approve DRPC 2024-25 Interim Report and Budget reallocations and to provide those to the Government of Yukon.

Moved by Al Foster; Seconded by Carl Sidney; *Motion Passed*

2024-25 Auditor Appointment

Motion 2024-10-05: To appoint Crowe MacKay as YLUPC Auditor for 2024-25.

Moved by Al Foster; Seconded by Carl Sidney; *Motion Passed*

2025-26 Cost of Living Increase

Motion 2024-10-06: To accept a cost of living allowance increase of 4.9% based upon Yukon Bureau of Statistics April 1, 2023 annual inflation rate for Whitehorse, effective April 1, 2025.

Moved by Al Foster; Seconded by Carl Sidney; *Motion Passed*

Discussion: Since the cost of living allowance increase is an approved Council policy, there is no requirement to include it as a motion in future years.

6. Dawson Region

Senior Planner's update

- Two new land use planners, Kim Melton and Toshibaa Govindaraj, for the Dawson region have been hired.
- The Commission is currently under budget but anticipates increased spending for the remainder of the year.
- 5 out of 6 Commission terms expire on December 17th and are hoping for reappointment.
- The next Commission meeting will be held December 11th in Dawson. All commission members anticipate being present.
- Planning for the possibility of only having one active commission member due to reappointment wait times.
- Commission has TH feedback and are awaiting YG feedback. Anticipating a response from YG by the end of October, as stated by Minister Streicker in the legislature.

7. NND Planning Region

MOU and GTOR

- Key outstanding issue is a position statement put forward by NND that there be no development activity in the region while land use planning proceeds.
- Awaiting NND and YG to come to an agreement regarding this key issue.
- GTOR requires various changes; Council to consider whether to wait for MOU from the parties or put forward an amended version.



Metallic Minerals Briefing

- Discussion regarding the Metallic Minerals case and implications for YLUPC.

8. White River First Nation Correspondence

- White River reaching out regarding conversations for the Kluane region.
- Willing to work with YLUPC for the planning process if it includes an area of interest for them.

Action: Follow up with YG and White River First Nation to discuss a meeting about regional planning.

9. Ongoing Commissions

- Discussion regarding whether commissions are to exist after a plan has been approved.
- Several options on how to proceed.

Decision: Council accepts Option #2: Recommendation that there be ongoing commissions.

Action: Develop a formal Recommendation for ongoing commissions and for implementation funding to support ongoing commissions.

Meeting moved in camera at 12:00pm
Meeting returned from in camera at 1:00pm

10. Winter Leave Policy

Motion 2024-10-07: To approve staff Winter Holiday Leave of three days to be taken between December 15 and January 5, effective this 2024-2025 fiscal year.
Moved by Carl Sidney; Seconded by Al Foster; Motion Passed

Approval of Council Meeting #4 2024-25 Minutes at Board Meeting #5 2024-25.

Al Foster
YLUPC Chair

2024-12-13
Date

Tim Sellen
YLUPC Director

2024-12-13
Date