

**MINUTES OF THE THIRTIETH MEETING OF THE
KANANASKIS COUNTRY INTERDEPARTMENTAL
CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.
Main Floor Boardroom
Canmore Provincial Building
800 Railway Avenue, Canmore, AB**

Present:

Co-chair: Dave Nielsen Tourism, Parks & Recreation

Secretary: Laurie Christiansen Tourism, Parks & Recreation

Members/
Alternates Dave Nielsen Tourism, Parks & Recreation
Mike Benny Tourism, Parks & Recreation
Steve Donelon Tourism, Parks & Recreation
Param Sekhon Infrastructure
Loren Winnick Tourism, Parks & Recreation (via telephone)
Joey Young Tourism, Parks & Recreation

Absent: Rick Blackwood Sustainable Resource Development
Tas Kollias Transportation
LauraLee Billings Environment

Guests: Leah Schmidek KID Development Officer – Items #5 & #6
Paul van der Werf KC Recycling Inventory & Systems Report – Item #5
Al Wardale JFW Adventure Camp – Item #6
Brian McBride JFW Adventure Camp – Item #6
Leona Hume JFW Adventure Camp – Item #6

- 1) Review of the Agenda (All)
 - Agenda was approved as written.
 - Updates on items from the July 7/09 meeting were requested.

- 2) Review of Minutes (All)
 - Minutes of the July 7, 2009, meeting were approved as written.

Updates from July 7, 2009

KID Land Use Order: Update (M. Benny)

- Once a decision is made regarding the Junior Forest Wardens Adventure Camp, the LUO can move forward for finalization.
- **Decision: Update for information only.**

Boundary Ranch Proposal

- Boundary Ranch is waiting on SRD to discuss wildlife issues regarding the proposed long term plan and lease amendment.
- **Decision: Item received for information.**

Evan Thomas Water & Waste Water Facility Upgrades (P. Sekhon)

- The detailed design of this facility is underway and will be completed by March 2010.
- **Decision: Update for information only.**

Junior Forest Wardens (M. Benny)

- This item is on today's agenda.
- **Decision: Item received as information.**

Fortress Mountain (M. Benny)

- Necessary bridge work to allow access to the site has been completed and stamped/certified by Stantec.
- Site construction is underway for a temporary project by a third party.
- Temporary access will be allowed until June/July 2010, when the bridge will be closed again to all access.
- A list of people permitted access to the site must be provided to bridge security, in order to maintain site security.
- **Decision: Update for information only.**

Easter Seals Camp Horizon (M. Benny)

- We can expect a development permit application soon regarding the replacement of the facility pool.
- **Decision: Item received as information.**

Kananaskis Village Skateboard Facility (M. Benny)

- This item is on the agenda for the Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting on September 10, 2009.
- **Decision: An update on this item to be provided November 10/09.**

3) Lower Kananaskis Lake Site Servicing Project (Mike Benny)

- This project was first presented to KCICC in November 2004. Since then funding has been pursued through various grant opportunities.
- This project has been approved for funding from the Building Canada Infrastructure Stimulus Fund, as a cost-sharing project with 1/3 from the Federal government, 1/3 from the Province of Alberta, and 1/3 from Kananaskis Improvement District (from the cottage owners themselves).
- A decision regarding this project is expected on September 22, 2009.
- Cottage owners have until September 18, 2009, to make their position for or against the project known.
- If the cottage owners are not in favour of proceeding, KID could still decide to go ahead and initiate a local improvement tax.
- If approved, the project pre-design would be completed by December '09, and the detailed design would be completed by Feb/March 2010, with construction to start in March/April 2010. The project must be completed by March 31, 2011 to qualify for funding from this federal initiative.
- **Decision: Item received as information.**

4) Highway 40 & Mt. Allan Drive Sign (Mike Benny)

- The current sign is looking outdated and is worn from several revisions over the years. TPR, Resorts of the Canadian Rockies (RCR) and the Delta Lodge at Kananaskis (Delta) have agreed to cost-share the replacement of this sign (1/3, 1/3, 1/3).
- Photos of the current sign, suggested new sign, and the suggested new rock work were provided for discussion purposes.
- Commercial Design Standards for signage are being met with this design.
- Work will be completed from the current years' budget.
- **Decision: Sign design is approved by KCICC with this project to go ahead in the current fiscal year.**

5) KC Recycling Inventory & Systems Report (Paul van der Werf)

- The consultant reviewed a PowerPoint presentation for the group.
- Highlights include:
 - In Kananaskis Country 677 tonnes/year are moved to landfill
 - The cost of the KID garbage collection program is \$206,000/year
 - A resident survey (108 returned) was completed as well as resident and leaseholder interviews

- Survey and interview outcomes indicate there is not enough information about recycling in KID/KC and not enough infrastructure to make it easy
- Some recycling will remain outside of KID/KC (i.e. bottle depot) but most can be done within the area
- Current estimate is 10-15 percent waste diversion
- The recycling program could increase that to 25 percent initially with an ultimate goal of 50 percent in the future
- Initiating a recycling program would be done in two phases
- Phase I Goal: increase recycling from current to 25% waste diversion
 - Communication/Education (C & E)
 - “Call to Action”
 - Instruction/education
 - Infrastructure
 - Set goals
 - Signage
 - Printed materials
 - Website
 - Posters on bins
 - Non-infrastructure Options
 - Pack it in/Pack it out messaging
 - Infrastructure Options
 - Refundable beverage container (RBC) recycling stations
 - Other Options
 - Household hazardous waste (HHW), electronic (E) waste, organic waste, construction & demolition (C & D) waste
- Phase II Goal: increase recycling from 25% to 50% waste diversion
 - Infrastructure Options
 - RBCs
 - Other Options
 - Organic waste (large leaseholders’ food waste), propane canisters and other high-volume waste items
 - The addition of a second recycling station in PLPP is also recommended
- Cost estimates:
 - Capital investments for Phase I - \$115,000 to \$250,000
 - One time Communication/Education - \$50,000
 - Operating cost estimate/year - \$110,000
 - Capital investment for Phase II - \$110,000
 - Need to investigate possible grant funding to start this program
 - Tie recycling into the tender package for waste removal

- Implementation Plan:
 - 2009 – Approve, refine, investigate grants
 - 2010 – C&E Plan, Tender, Rate Study, initiate program
 - 2011 – Phase I – full implementation
 - 2012 – Phase II – full implementation
- **Decision: M. Benny to further review the consultant report and prepare a recommendation for KCICC.**

PUBLIC SESSION:

- 6) Junior Forest Wardens Adventure Camp - Sibbald (Al Wardale, Brian McBride, Leona Hume)
- As history, the JFW program stemmed from two kids who spotted and reported a forest fire to a forestry officer, in British Columbia in the 1930s, and drew a great deal of attention from kids around BC.
 - The JFWs branched into Alberta in the early 1960s and shortly afterwards developed a partnership with the Government of Alberta.
 - The Jumpingpound camp has a long history and became a training facility for the Alberta Forest Service in the early 1980s and became known as the Jumpingpound Ranger Station.
 - In the mid-1980s the JFW moved to the Jumpingpound camp and used the site as a training centre for Leaders and held JFW functions at the site.
 - In 2006 SRD and the JFW reviewed the partnership and in 2007 the JFW became autonomous.
 - SRD has decommissioned the Jumpingpound Ranger Station but has continued to allow the JFW access to the site through a “Temporary Field Authorization”, but they would like to lease the site in order to ensure a long term home for the JFW program at this camp.
 - Currently the JFW have access to funding through Alberta Gaming, but the funds must be utilized by the end of the year. This funding will be used to bring the buildings up to current safety codes, conduct FireSmart work, and install proper vault toilets.
 - The JFW will not be renting space to other organizations, as their own groups will occupy the site most weekends and there won’t be amenities to draw interest from outside groups.
 - There is an existing well on site, but as the JFW do not want to use it, they will contact Alberta Environment to decommission the well.
 - The JFW camp is an approved use within the KID Land Use Order and the group is seeking support for a long term lease.
 - **Decision: KCICC membership supports the JFW leasing this site. The KID Development Officer will work with the JFW to ensure they comply with all requirements.**

7) Roundtable

○ Param Sekhon

- Regarding the Delta Lodge at Kananaskis' proposal for two "Plus 15" walkways in the Kananaskis Village, there is a concern that the original open-concept design of the Village will suffer with this construction.
- The proposal sought support for the concept of a covered walkway between the Delta and Manor 88 and a second walkway between the Delta and the Kananaskis Village Centre.
- Support from KCICC was given to the concept of these covered walkways. The Delta must return to KCICC with further conceptual plans which require further review and approval before this project continues.

○ Loren Winnick

- The Trans Canada Trail Foundation has received grant funding to proceed with trail design and routing of the trail over Elk Pass through the Spray Valley to the Goat Creek Trail.

9) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting
Tuesday, November 10, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.
Main Floor Boardroom
Canmore Provincial Building
8800 Railway Avenue, Canmore, Alberta

Minutes approved by:

Dave Nielsen, Co-Chair, KCICC

Rick Blackwood, Co-Chair, KCICC