

**MINUTES OF THE 46th MEETING OF THE
KANANASKIS COUNTRY INTERDEPARTMENTAL
CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 9:30 a.m.
Main Floor Boardroom
Canmore Provincial Building
800 Railway Avenue, Canmore, AB**

Present:

Co-Chairs: Mark Storie Tourism, Parks & Recreation
 Ross Spence Environment & Sustainable Resource Development

Recorder: Jenny Palmer Tourism, Parks & Recreation

Members/: Dave Hanna Tourism, Parks & Recreation
Alternates Shawn Polley CAO, Kananaskis Improvement District
 Fred Lee Transportation
 Param Sekhon Infrastructure
 Loren Winnick Tourism, Parks & Recreation (via telephone)
 Joey Young Tourism, Parks & Recreation

Absent: Ross Spence Environment & Sustainable Resource Development
 Rob Simieritsch Environment & Sustainable Resource Development

Guests:

- 1) Review of the Agenda (All)
 - A. The Agenda was accepted as drafted

- 2) Review of Minutes (All)
 - A. The July 16, 2013 were not available for review and approval.

- 3) Kananaskis Region Flood Update(s) (All)
 - A. Infrastructure (Param Sekhon)
 - The ETWTP sewage outfall system has been damaged. ESRD did not approve the required work in the river but Param will revisit this with ESRD.
 - ESRD approved the work to fix the damaged crossing upstream from the plant and have until September 25/13 to complete the work.
 - Armouring of the banks will not be done due to the high cost associated with this project.

 - B. Kananaskis Improvement District (Shawn Polley)
 - Currently working through the DRP application for funding process
 - Several grants are available
 - There will be a loss of municipal revenue to KID from the businesses
 - Looking at various relief programs such as business resumption
 - Providing assistance with marketing opportunities such as looking at conferences held in other parts of the region to the Delta.
 - The drop in business was not as high as originally anticipated.
 - KID Council wants to have a one-window approach for funding applications in order to eliminate potential duplication

 - C. Parks Division (Mark Storie)
 - Bi-weekly KCICC flood meetings and Flood Steering Committee meetings are on-going and will likely continue until end of October and/or possibly into November.
 - The first draft of the Recovery Flood Plan is expected to be ready for completion by end of September to be sent to the Deputy Minister for review.
 - TPR Minister is taking forward two funding proposal packages to the GOA Flood Task Committee for approval. Should hear back by end of week/early next week.
 - Assessment work is still ongoing but holding off on hiring to required flood positions until approval from Treasury Board has been received.

- Current project list will be brought forward to KCICC members at the next meeting to see what projects they may need to be involved in.
- D. Parks Infrastructure (Stan Vander Helm - absent)
- No report provided
- E. SRD (ESRD) (Ross Spence - absent)
- No report provided
- F. Tourism (TPR) (Loren Winnick)
- Bill Hodgins, Manager of Tourism Business Services is currently working on flood impacts and is inventorying 11 regions throughout the province.
 - Moe Rehemtulla, Director of Tourism Business & Inves is currently working with Joey Young on economic assessments and impacts in the Kananaskis Region. No report available at this time.
- G. Transportation (Fred Lee)
- All priority highways within the south part of the province have been opened with the exception of Hwy 547 near Gleichen due to bridge damage
 - Within the Kananaskis Region:
 - Hwy 40 to Lost Lemon Summit has been reopened
 - Tender has been put out for repairs to the highway from Highwood House to Lost Lemon Summits. Work to be done early next year and will include repairs to the bridge structure
 - Smith Dorien – opened
 - Hwy 541 from Longview to Highwood House is open
 - Hwy 532 – currently working on the south end of the trunk road
 - Road to Cataract Creek is not open to the public but service access is open to ministries for assessments.
 - Powderface Trail – not open but there are seven temporary bridges which is available for service access only. Working on trying to re-open but likely not until next year. Temporary bridges may be removed in the next couple of months as it costs \$20,000/month to keep them in.
 - Hwy 66 – temporary bridges in place and fast tracking the repair and replacement of the permanent structures, likely next spring. There will be no closure of the temporary bridge while the repairs are completed.
 - AJ Evenson is currently working with Transportation's bridge assessors on the bridges located on the trails within the Kananaskis Region.

4) Data Needs Regarding Evaluating Economic Impacts of Kananaskis Country (pre-flood 2011-12) (J. Young)

A. Joey Young provided a high level summary of the 2012 economic impacts to the region and provided clarification to the members. After much discussion it was decided that it would be a good idea for KCICC to initiate an assessment as it would provide good information for planning purposes, etc.

- **ACTION ITEM: KCICC members are to bring a list of data that their respective ministries are collecting to the November 12/13 KCICC meeting in order to see what gaps are missing. This will then be taken forward to Minister of TPR for support as well as how this initiative would link to the RBB process.**

PUBLIC SESSION: Start at 10:30 a.m.

5) Roundtable (All)

○ D. Hanna

- Would like to thank all the department members on working together during the flood disaster in order to reopen and rebuild what's been damage with as minimal impact as possible.

○ P. Sekhon

- Epcor is having an open house/BBQ from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. on September 10/13 at Boundary Ranch

○ S. Polley

- KID Council met on September 3/13 and all members are seeking re-election.
- Will check with TPR Minister to see if he will approve the Alberta Members-At-Large to continue for another four year term as both members have expressed interest in continuing on.

○ F. Lee


- Would like to echo Dave Hanna's appreciation to the other members.
- Kananaskis Lakes paving has been completed.
- Tour of Alberta race went very well and had minimal impact to highway operations.
- The grand opening of the Legacy Trail will occur on Friday, September 13/13 at 8:30 a.m. at the Canmore Visitor Information

Centre with the Minister of Transportation in attendance to officially open the trail.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

- 6) Next Meeting: November 12, 2013, 9:30 start
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Minutes approved by:



Mark Storie, Co-Chair, KCICC



Ross Spence, Co-Chair, KCICC

