

**Columbia Shuswap Regional District  
Area A Local Advisory Committee (LAC) Meeting Minutes  
26, March, 2019  
Golden Civic Centre Lower Level**

**Present:**

- Karen Cathcart (Electoral Area "A" Director)
- Stephanie Knaak (Alternate Director)
- Craig Chapman (Chairperson)
- Derek Smith (Secretary)
- Ian Rowe
- Doug Whiting.
- Tom Blencowe
- Pearson Farnsworth

**Regrets:** Mandy Cattle  
Gladys Neumann

**Gallery:** Approximately 20 members of the public attended the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Craig Chapman (2018 Chairperson, Area A LAC CSRD) called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**Nominations for Chair 2019,** Nomination Craig Chapman (acclamation)  
**Nomination for Vice Chair 2019,** Doug Whiting (acclamation)  
**Nomination for Recording Secretary 2019,** Derek Smith (acclamation)

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion:** That the agenda for the 26 March 2019 Area A Local Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as published.

Motion Moved By: Derek Smith

**Motion Carried**

**Motion:** That the monthly LAC meetings be held on the Fourth Tuesday of each month in the Golden Civic Centre. The committee will be recessed during July and August each year.

Motion Moved By: Craig Chapman

**Motion Carried**

## **ADOPTION OF MEETING MINUTES**

Moved by Derek Smith, Seconded by: Doug Whiting that the minutes of the November 27, 2018 Area A Local Advisory Committee meeting be adopted.

### **Motion Carried**

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

### 1. Director's Report:

#### **Local Advisory Committee (LAC) Orientation –**

Director Cathcart delivered a presentation on the structure and processes related to the CSRD and the electoral Area A with particular emphasis on the function of the the LAC and the role of the committee. Introduction of the committee members, their background and interests in involvement in CSRD.

- Doug Whiting
  - Pearson Farnsworth
  - Craig Chapman
  - Stephanie Knaak
  - Derek Smith
  - Ian Rowe
  - Tom Blencowe.
- \$10,000 to monitor water in Nicholson, concerns with the nitrate levels in the ground water in Nicholson.
  - The CSRD Board approved an application from the Golden Snowmobile Club for \$30,000 from the Economic Opportunity Fund (EOF) for an emergency shelter at Gorman Lake. The application was supported by Town of Golden and the Area A Director.
  - Town of Golden requested CSRD place a moratorium on any third party applications to the Economic Opportunity Fund until May 2019.
  - Kicking Horse Mountain Resort (KHMR)- Crown Grant Application Referral. The CSRD Board will not support any Crown Grant Application within the specified Controlled Recreation Area by the Province due to concerns regarding support for a compliant fire service (structural) at the resort. (more detailed information available on the CSRD website [here](#))
  - Director Cathcart updated the committee on the Aquatic Study, the Trail Alliance, the Nicholson Boat Launch, and the Class E Licensing for rural farm communities in Area A.
  - Director Cathcart also spoke about the concerned raised by residents on Riparian Area Protection Regulations for Area A. As this is a very complicated and technical area, Director Cathcart requested the CSRD staff come to Golden to meet with the community to discuss in detail. The request has been made that they be available by mid May.
  - Director Cathcart also detailed the CSRD Board meetings held in December, January, February and March (prior to LAC 2019/20 formation).

**Motion Moved By:** Ian Rowe, Motion Seconded By: Doug Whiting to accept the Director's Report on the December, 2018 and the January, February and March 2019 Board meetings, as presented.

**Motion Carried**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**New Business:**

-No new business at this time.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

The date and time of the next meeting is TBD as Director Cathcart has travel constraints during the regularly planned timeframe in April.

**Motion Moved By:** Ian Rowe to adjourn the meeting

**Motion Carried**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion Moved By:** Craig Chapman, Seconded by Doug Whiting that the meeting be adjourned at 7:15 pm.

**Motion Carried.**

Certified Correct

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Chair

**Discussion from the audience:**

- Public watershed: (see related Private Land Logging issue below) There are concerns that need to be brought forward. Director Cathcart will bring the issue forward and will engage.
- Scott Weir raised questions regarding telecommunications and in particular, issues regarding cellular coverage within Area A. Director Cathcart explained that there has been an ongoing and persistent effort to get the telecommunications companies to invest in the necessary infrastructure without substantial success in coverage area. There has been recent improvements in the cable network infrastructure but cellular coverage has not been as progressive.

- Brian Lavoie asked questions about the CSRD policy regarding cannabis production and distribution. Others in the audience expressed interest on related matters concerning enforcement. Looking for clear direction from the CSRD.
- Private land logging issue. The issue brought forward by several in the audience related to the massive clear cutting on private land. The impact of this practice changes surface water and erosion and therefore impacts other nearby residents. The question related to how we manage our communities in light of this practice.
- CSRD Landfill. Members of the audience reported that the landfill site continues to have issues and they are not getting better. Andrea Weissenborn provided an information sheet titled Golden Landfill Spring 2019 Update detailing the chronology of efforts to date.
- FireSmart initiative. The possibility of forest fires in the area is a serious concern for residents and businesses in Area A. Director Cathcart is working with local emergency preparedness community on a priority basis to bring more awareness to the FireSmart program. Local resources and expertise will be updating the community in the near future regarding strategies and tactics.