



# ***HIGH LEVEL FORESTS PUBLIC ADVISORY GROUP***

## **MINUTES**

*Tuesday, January 21, 2014*  
5pm, Town of High Level office, Room 110

### ATTENDANCE:

Jeremy Beal (CSA Coordinator)  
Michael Morgan (Town of High Level)  
George Friesen (Friesen Industries)  
Tim Heemskerk (Northern Lights  
Forest Education Society)

Boyd Langford (TRL)  
Dave Beck (Ainsworth)  
Melanie Plantinga (Tolko High Level)  
Walter Sarapuk (MacKenzie County)

### INFORMATION SENT:

Mark Andrews (Cenovus)  
Darren Carnell (LRRF)  
Garrett (Lubicon Lake Nation)  
Teresa Griffiths (Flow North Paddling  
Co.)  
Harvey Sewpagaham (LRRF)  
Lindee Dumas (LRRCN)  
Pat Cabezas (N'Deh Ltd. Partnership)  
Mike Cardinal (Tall Cree First Nation)

Fort Vermilion Heritage Center  
Aaron Doepel (LCSM)  
Carol Gabriel (Mackenzie County)  
Paddle Prairie Metis Settlement

Keith Badger (Nataskinan  
Development)  
Crystal McAteer (Town of High Level)

Conroy Sewepagaham (LRRCN)  
Paul Catt (Watt Mnt Wanderers)  
Troy Connolly (Tolko HLLD)  
Don Warman (High Level Chamber of  
Commerce)  
Chris MacLeod (Town of High Level)

### INFORMATION SENT, Regrets:

Richard Martens (Taqa North)  
  
Baptiste Metchooyeah (Dene Tha')  
John Thurston (Next Generation)

Marilee Cranna Toews (Hungry Bend  
Sandhills Society)  
Kieran Broderick (Beaver First Nation)

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:31pm.

## 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2.1. Changed to have Around the Table ahead of New Business

Moved by Walter Sarapuk

Seconded Tim Heemskerk

Carried

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013)

Moved by George Friesen

Seconded by Mike Morgan

Carried

- Action Items from December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013
  - Lower Peace Landuse Framework – progress, Jeremy shared e-mail from Dave West. Jeremy confirmed with Dave West (Tolko, Stewardship & Tenures, Prairies) on the latest process as proposed by Alberta. In March/April 2014 the RAC will be confirmed followed by development of the Terms of Reference and direction the process will take. The process will effectively start in September 2014 and will involve both the Upper and Lower Peace regions, to be concluded in Spring 2015. With the above said, Alberta wants to have the South Saskatchewan approved prior to moving forward with the UPRP and LPRP.
  - Decommission of beehive burner. What will happen with Tolko's green wood waste? Jeremy will speak with Troy Connolly.
  - John Thurston – Asked to have log haul cards to distribute to members of the public. Jeremy is not sure if there are any cards available. Melanie will forward the Log Haul Hotline number to John Thurston.

## 4. AROUND THE TABLE

**Mike Morgan** – Nothing from Town

**George Friesen** – Nothing

**Dave Beck** – Ainsworth – Start-up has been rough, but things are improving. The mill is not yet operating full time. OSB prices poor. The Louisiana Pacific purchase is not yet complete. By March possibly it may be complete. Cranes breaking down are an ongoing problem. Trials on producing OSB using old wood, are underway. Currently much of the old wood is being used for hog.

**Walter Sarapuk** – A water line is being installed from the town High Level to Ainsworth. MD residents may tie in to the service for a fee.

**Tim Heemskerk** – Northern Lights Forest Education Society – Offers multiple Science camps to area students. The society is developing Trails at Footner Lake. Spirit of the North Community School is sponsoring a section with wheelchair access. Some of the other schools are also participating. Melanie asks if the Society has applied for FRIIA funds. Tim says that yes they did, but their request was denied. Dave Beck suggests the society tries SFI companies.

**Melanie Plantinga** – When Melanie spoke with one of the PAG members last week, he asked if it might be possible to schedule the meetings for regular business hours. Discussion with members present at the meeting. Consensus is that evenings are more convenient for those members who are present. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month conflicts with Mackenzie County Meetings.

**Boyd Langford** – tentative meetings. April 8<sup>th</sup> move to April 1<sup>st</sup>. Avoid the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

## **5. NEW BUSINESS**

**5.1. Review additional forest management Indicators & Targets to be developed during Detailed Forest Management Plan process (See attached power point about)**– Jeremy will keep HLPAG apprised of progress.

**5.2. Required edits to Public Advisory Group's Terms of Reference**

**5.2.1.** High Level Forests Public Advisory Group Terms of Reference – As part of the DFMP process the HLPAG TOR will be reviewed. Jeremy identified some deficiencies. LCSM not identified in TOR. Timelines pg. 3. PAG facilitator was mentioned in the TOR. This position is currently vacant – would the PAG like to have a facilitator? Recommend anyone? Advertise in the paper? This is a paid position. Would Carrie Demkiw be interested in returning? Jeremy will contact Carrie Demkiw. Minimum number of Stakeholders. Pg 5. Must be 6 or more Stakeholders. Would e-mail vote be acceptable? That may be an option. Jeremy will investigate. Discuss March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014. The TOR will not be edited until Jeremy hears back from ESRD re: DFMP TOR.

## **6. CLIPPING SERVICE**

- **More for March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

## **7. NEXT MEETING – March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

- 7:07pm