

Tk'emlúps Council Highlights

June 27, 2023 and July 4, 2023

Chief and Council are committed to continuous improvement in communications between Chief and Council, staff, and membership. Chief and Council will be releasing regular updates to ensure staff and members are aware of the work of Council. This is not intended as a comprehensive update, but rather a high-level overview of Council discussions. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to any Council members.



This covers the June 27 and July 4th Chief and Council meeting.

There were 14 Lands, locate, permit and taxation documents presented.

COUNCIL TRAVEL - MEETINGS – EVENTS - Travel Update - MP Travel UPDATE Indigenous Children and Youth Vancouver - Jun 21-23 2023, Travel Request - Indigenous Peoples Celebration - Barkerville - August 19- 20, 2023, Travel Rescind - Kúkpi7 Rosanne Casimir - FNTC Meeting - Chilliwack - July 26, 2023

TteS COMMUNICATIONS - QHS Board Meeting Minutes - May 12 2023 - For Council information, Request Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc - In-Kind Donation 2RMX – RE -ADDING, TteS GBM Date Change - November 15, 2023, CNCL Special - KPS

Intergovernmental Affairs – City of Kamloops Safe and Secure report out, organized Opioid crisis meeting, drafted Chief and Council statement on Drug Dealers on reserve, working with QS intern that has been seconded to TteS NR department, Federal UNDA action plan released. Minister Alexis will be in community doing and announcement on Food sovereignty, UBCIC followed up on our housing motion, met with Councillor Thomas and Minister Bowinn Ma regarding Emergency Management.

Corporate – Fire Debrief

Finance - TteS Amending Agreement 0032

Le Estcwiwéy - Approval of Kúkpi7 Signature - Secwepemc and Adjacent Communities re Wenecwstinem

Planning and Engineering - East Shuswap Road Bank Protection Works Project – MoTi FLNRO Application Review – TteS Letter of Support, City of Kamloops Sanitary Sewer Effluent Agreement – Compensation Section Amendments,

Natural Resources - Invitation to Participate - TNCC Conservation Action Plan, TNCC Request for Contact Information, The Declaration Act Engagement Fund

Executive Director of Member Service Report, Carl Joseph Johnson

Business Arising:

1. Bus Delay Updates:

I received a call at approx. 6:30 from Janice and posted the information immediately on our Parent Facebook page

as per policy, “All parents are provided with when they register their child(ren) for the bus; Parents are to wait with their children 10 minutes prior to and after the time allocated for their child’s bus stop”

Community Services Update:

- Grand Opening – Open House tentatively Aug 9th.
- Indigenous Court: Working closely with CFNC Coordinator to build curriculum for Court Elders Retreat & Workshop
- New Services starting in July: Opioid/Mental Health Services:
 - anti-violence/domestic violence worker
 - Interior Health’s Aboriginal Patient Navigator
 - Priority detox with Phoenix Center -designated detox beds for band members
 - substance abuse counselors for adult and youth
- Aboriginal Community Safety Planning Initiative: first community engagement session in September.
- Elder trips – preparing to attend National and BC Gatherings
- Food Sovereignty – Hot House(By MSG) is 100% complete and operational, Kamloopa greenhouse is planted and offering Friday opening house workshops, the community garden is full and thriving, Little Fawn Day Care and Sk’elep School gardens are growing and the Berry walk is beautiful.
- Food and plants are being distributed through community services programs and events. Workshops for canning and other methods of preserving are being prepared.
- New building: CS Closed July 4-7
- Membership: Membership Code Worker is to be reposted, will look at increasing the salary range
- Indigenous Court: rebuilding relationships between TteS and CFNC. Working closely with CFNC Coordinator to build curriculum for Court Elders Retreat & Workshop

- New Services: anti-violence/domestic violence worker will be working out of the new office one day per week and providing services and training to address community needs.
- Interior Health's Aboriginal Patient Navigator is based out of the new office to help clients navigate the health system and advocate for them.
- New justice positions: Housing & Resource Worker and Youth Prevention Worker postings next week
- Aboriginal Community Safety Planning Initiative: first community engagement session in September.
- Opioid/Mental Health Services: working closely with Interior Health to bring more services to reserve. I.e. designated detox beds, substance abuse counselors for adults and youth out of new office, family support services, supportive housing, and "Car 40".
- Summer Youth Programs weekly starting July 4
- Youth Center open M-F 7:45-4:30 throughout the summer
- Community Services July Newsletter

Note:

- Elders lunches to be hosted outside of MSG during the hot summer months
- Youth Center to be open 7:30-4:40 M-F except on holidays.
- 5 summer students have been offered positions through Canada Summer Jobs

Sk'elep School Update:

- Thurs. June 22nd – Successful Year End Assembly & Gr. 7 Graduation – well attended by parents & C&C Educ portfolio holders
- Year End procedures well under way – planning & preparation for the 2023-24 school year

Housing Update:

CMHC Section 95:

- TteS Site 3 Subdivision - Total Performance Certificate received.
- LOT 11 Excavated for and installed sewage disposal system

Other Updates

- TteS Housing applied for a Green Kickstarter Fund.
- First update of the TteS Housing Department website is live: <https://tkemlups.ca/housing/>
- For Special Contributions eligible phases, we gathered estimates (i.e. fencing, furnaces, etc.)
- Posts and Signs installed for BC Housing Project on lots to be used for Apartment Building and Townhomes
- Completed one more Emergency Repair Program (ERP).
- We had the opportunity to have Scott Flammand from First Nations Market Housing Fund to provide these "Homeownership and You" meetings.

Scott still offers Zoom meetings for all TteS member that are interested in becoming a homeowner on-reserve. Contact Joyce to schedule an appointment joyce.fraser@ttes.ca (250) 828-9719

- For the Land Designation Information Meeting to be held on July 5, 2023, with ISC transportation will be provided. If you need a ride, please call the Essential Services Driver, Evan Casimir at (250) 819-0850. He is available from 4pm - 8pm. Please arrange your ride at least 24 hours in advance. More information <https://tkemlups.ca/event/july5-land-designation-information-meeting/>

Planning & Engineering Update:

- Roundabout + CLC Road Realignment project
 - Parties have agreed to MMCD appointed referee
 - An electrical retender package has been prepared with a meeting with all parties to review.
 - Contract savings - Public Works hauling fill material to site
 - July 4, Meeting with Dawson-Senle7 to review electrical retender package
- June 27, Thompson Okanagan Regional Drought Response Team - Drought communications meeting
- June 30, LLTX + P&E Free Legal Hour with Miller Thomson LLP
- Paul Lake Dam Spillway Upgrade Project
 - Disaster Risk Reduction-Climate Adaptation grant funding approved (\$1,725,400)
 - Target fall 2023 construction
- July 5, Tye Ball Park field upgrade meeting with planning consultant
- July 5, East Shuswap Road MUP - 50% design progress meeting, will update the Portfolio Holder an Council when support needs are identified
- G&M ROW Agreement Term Sheet provided to G&M Estates for review
 - Lands and P&E Department leading discussion
- CCP Update
 - Posting the RFP for consultant lead
 - Required for interdepartmental coordination
 - Needed to support Recreation Facilities Master Plan, Housing + Parks, Ec Dev land use plans

Executive Director of Finance Report, Travis Anderson

Finance Update:

- Continuation of the FY23 Corporate Audits
- Continuation of the TteS Consolidated year-end process' and reconciliations.
- TteS was successful in applying for the 4yr Declaration Act Engagement funding with New Relationship Trust. This will equate to ~\$260K/year in funding to offset costs

associated with the provincial engagement related to implementation of UNDRIP and to support strategic policy initiatives etc at the Band level. This funding is fairly flexible.

- Data management and system integration sessions with PTAX (TAS) and A/R.
- Working with Grocery Store on system integration & financial processes for anticipated October opening.
- Funding Officer & Communications was successful in applying for the \$10,000 Grant for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. This will be earmarked for events on the day.

Economic Development Update:

- 7 Mile meeting
- MOTI meeting regarding access
- DAB Delegation
- TOP DOG served lunch for BCLC flag raising ceremony
- Kamloops Film Society Drive in theater planning
- Attended Indigenous Day even at Pow Wow Arbor
- Fortis tour of the new Landfill.
- Lot 164 and Grocery Store monthly progress meeting
- Seniors' engagement for CLC master plan prep
- internal partnership/project qualifiers review
- Records Management Project: WIP Document Retention Schedule for Business & Ec Dev
- Indigenous Tourism Meeting with Hospitality Industry Rep.
- Touch base meetings with Internal Departments (lands and P & E)
- Insurance and Licensing for Drive-In Theatre
- Schedule Pharmacy Candidate Presentations

PTAX Update:

- Tax run prep in progress
- Emergency Management meeting on June 22
- Final approval of taxation laws by FNTC on June 22, 2023, and came into force on June 23, 2023
 1. *Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Property Assessment Law, 2023*
 2. *Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Property Taxation Law, 2023*
 3. *Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Annual Tax Rates Law, 2023*
 4. *Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Annual Expenditure Law, 2023*
- Cannabis Tax Law Meeting with Legal and EDoF scheduled on June 29
- Recreational Facilities Master Plan – Tyee Park meeting on June 28
- EDoF – Manager (Taxation) Meeting on June 29
- Cannabis Tax Law Meeting on June 29
- Fiscal Realities Meeting on June 30
- Portfolio – Manager (Taxation) Meeting on June 30

- Tax Administrator vacation July 4, tax enquiries to taxation@ttes.ca; Manager related to Lands & Leasing Manager

Lands & Leasing Update:

- Processed day to day transactions
- ongoing communication with other departments to ensure Lessee compliance in their respective areas
- prepared and presented various Briefing Notes
- **Registration:**
 - 5 Documents uploaded for registration

Industrial Subdivision

- Notice of Default - 1
- Leases
 - Assignments -1
 - Subleases - 2
- Documents in progress
 - Lease stripping Lot 16/17
 - Undertakings letter
- File Review & or Arrears Follow Up: x1
- Meetings/Site Visits:
 - Tax Run
 - Victoria, Lot 16/17
 - Victoria, expiring leases

Individual Land Holding

- Documents in progress/ waiting for signatures:
- Leases - 8
- Application to lease - 2
- Subleases - 1
- ROW's - 4
- Other: 7 (example: CP Transfers, etc – confidential names)
- File Review: estates (5) follow-ups & in progress with lawyers

Environment:

Business as usual: emails, environmental compliance, ensuring applications meet all environmental requirements

- Landfill: Weekly inspection and correspondence.
- Parcel KC: Correspondence for phase II ESA
- **Meetings:**
 - Lands & Housing: Tk'emlúps Designation with ISC
 - DAB
 - Emergency Management Committee
 - TteS & MoTI: Chief Louis Way at Paul Creek

- **DRI**
 - Working with HR on Job Description and posting for 1 year term contract position for DRI specialist/clerk. This position is funded so there is no OSR impact.

Band Corporation (Senior Leasing Officer)

- **Meetings:**
 - Lands & Housing: Tk'emlúps Designation with ISC
 - Recreation Facilities Master Plan - Tye Ball Park

Natural Resources & Forestry Update

- The concrete extension pad for Woodshed is now complete.
- Pit Run is still being supplied to P&E for the road re-alignment project.
- Noxious weed aerial program is commencing today on the range.
- Kootenay Way culvert replacement planning is under way. Funding has been approved for this as it's for Coho safe passage.
- Commencing Seed Collection
- Road Deactivation surveys
- Commencing Road Deactivation in the Dardanelle's Lake area.
- TMX Expansion Line work continuing.

QSG2G Update:

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- **Cold Hard Truths:** QS Communities & Campfires & BC Ministries on path forward to commitment.
- **Adapting Pathway & QSO Plan:** developing an adapted phased strategic plan & reorg of the QSO team to implement based on: Political, Internal Relations Community Engagement & Capacity Building, legal negotiations, and stewardship.
- **QS Interns:** Seconded interns have been out in community and continuing their work and projects for their respected communities.

Wildlife policy

- **Revelstoke Caribou:** The Revelstoke Caribou Working Group reviewed the technical presentation BC intends to give to Communities regarding habitat protection options and offered feedback to ensure that engagement with Chief and Councils is tasteful and meaningful.

- **First Nations BC Wildlife Forum:** Wildlife Branch sent an engagement letter. The letter outlines the intended engagement process and means to alleviate any engagement bombs, as well as offer early engagement and time to coordinate engagement sessions.
- **Declaration Act Annual Report:** The work between QS and BC on developing a new fiscal framework is highlighted in BC's 2022-23 Declaration Act Annual Report as a featured story: "A Journey to Right Relations – Walking on two legs toward a new fiscal relationship."
- **Small Mammal Trapping:** A few interns got the opportunity to go trapping for a small mammal population study with TRU master's student Kara Atkinson and TRU NRS student Hannah Kroeker. They learned about population dynamics, trapping and handling practices, and small mammals overall.
- **Secwépemc Atlas:** Continued this week working on edits and revisions to the Atlas, ensuring consistency and accurate throughout. Completed and verified accuracy of buffers that were added to roads and added analysis into the Atlas. Looking at pulling in Traditional Medicines and the Local Secwepemc History into the Atlas.

Spiyu7ullucw Ranch Update:

- P&E was successful in applying for funding to upgrade the Paul Lake Dam Spillway and splitter gates. \$1.725M was approved through the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (PoBC). The province has asked that this information be kept in confidence until July 26th when it has the opportunity to make the announcements formally.
- Typhon field irrigation work continuing.
- Dam work and Spill gate work to commence later this summer/early fall. Funding is available and P&E will work with the Ranch Mgr and the Funding Officer to ensure an application is submitted.

S.E.I. Update:

- Howard Campbell has been appointed as a director of the SEI Board.
- Meeting with CIMS this week to review potential opportunities at Teck and the Pulp Mill.
- Meeting with Jon Harrison of POINT to discuss ongoing tunnelling project at Jacko Lake.