

**MINUTES OF THE 41<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE  
KANANASKIS COUNTRY INTERDEPARTMENTAL  
CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, January 8, 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: Laurie Christiansen    Tourism, Parks & Recreation

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

Absent: Mark Storie            Tourism, Parks & Recreation

Guests:

- 1) Review of the Agenda (All)
  - The Agenda was adopted as written
  
- 2) Review of Minutes (All)
  - The September 11, 2012, minutes were approved with one change requested by D. Hanna. Final version of the minutes will be forwarded to the membership.
  - Follow up items:
    - KID Development Process documents is an agenda item today
    - ESRD membership – Rob Simieritsch is representing Environment.

Roundtable items discussed prior to 10:30 Public Session

**“Tour of Alberta”**, currently scheduled for September 6 – 9, 2013, was raised by D. Hanna. This is a staged bike race with an estimate of 120 – 200 bike racers, plus the support crews and media. It will be a huge event with complex issues. As this tour is currently in the early planning stages, there isn’t much information circulating about it. D. Hanna relayed this information as an alert to other departments which may not have heard about this.

**Decision: Item presented for information only at this time.**

- R. Spence provided an update on **Fortress Mountain**. There are commitments attached to the Disposition for this site, which have August 2014 deadlines. In the interim the lease holder is looking at various options to meet the Disposition commitments. Discussion took place regarding the possible short-term use of temporary structures to meet requirements. KCICC membership agreed that a master plan is needed to ensure that the redevelopment of the site meets the requirements of the KID LUO and Architectural Guidelines of Kananaskis Country.

Note: 10:50 a.m., L. Winnick joined the meeting via teleconference.

 **Decision: ESRD internal discussion will take place between senior management and Edmonton staff seeking further direction. The use of temporary structures may not be allowed <sup>able</sup> consideration by ESRD. KCICC recommends that if the use of a temporary structure were conceptually approved, it would be for a short, finite term, and all regulatory requirements of ESRD (water, sewage disposal) and fire suppression would have to be met. Proponent may wish to present plans to KCICC at the March 12, 2013, meeting.**

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

- 3) KCICC Membership & Alternates (All)
  - ESRD (Environment) representative will be Rob Simieritsch and he will forward the name/title of his designated alternate.
  - ESRD (SRD) membership discussion regarding a second representative is still pending divisional reorganization. R. Spence will advise as soon as feasible.
  - **Decision: Item presented for information.**
  
- 4) KID Development Process Documents – Endorsement (All)
  - Issues regarding the Development Permit application process, which created the need to go back to proponents repeated for more information initiated the review process and creation of these documents.
  - The process was developed with input from KID, Development Officer, TPR, ESRD, Ecologists, and Fish & Wildlife officers.
  - The flow chart indicates the various steps/reviews that take place through the process.
    - The specific land manager will determine if specific reviews are required as part of the conceptual plan, i.e. FN consultation.
  - P. Sekhon requested that the type of development (improvement, expansion, redevelopment, or new development) be added with a check box to the top of the Development Permit Application form. The type of development does influence how the application is reviewed.
  - **Decision: D. Hanna Motioned for endorsement of the Development Process Documents by KCICC. Process and documents will be reviewed in one year – January 2014 meeting, to assess. All were in favour.**
  
- 5) 2013 KID Development Permit Fees – Endorsement (All)
  - KID Schedule of Rates, as approved by KID Council, was distributed.
  - KID has not had a formal mechanism to charge a Demolition Fee, but demolition of a structure does require a permit. In the past it was done as a “development” permit, which is inaccurate. The 2013 Schedule of Rates includes a new “Demolition Permit Fee” of \$75.00, plus \$75.00 administration cost.
  - This permit would be required by all proponents other than GOA.
  - Discussion took place regarding the size of the project, i.e. buildings of 100 sq. feet or less do not require a building permit, would they require a demolition permit?
  - P. Sekhon supports demolition permits for all structures is warranted so that conditions can be applied to any services to the building, i.e. cap

water utilities, deal appropriately with sewage (outhouse), appropriate disposal of construction materials, etc.

- **Decision: Demolition Permit Fee was endorsed by KCICC. Motion by P. Sekhon, seconded by R. Simieritsch.**

6) Roundtable (All)

o Dave Hanna

- Inquired of L. Winnick if he has information regarding the “Tour of Alberta”, discussed prior to Loren joining the meeting. L. Winnick shared that while they have heard about it, he has not received any detailed information. L. Winnick will query ADM McCullough for more information.

o F. Lee

- TRANS is aware of the Tour of Alberta due to road closure requests for event routing. If F. Lee can obtain more specific information, he will forward it to KCICC membership.

o Param Sekhon

- Evan-Thomas Water and Waste Water Treatment Plant – EPCOR is the contractor for this project with sub-contractor Lockerbie Stanley Inc.
  - January plans are to will cross Evan Thomas Creek and install piping in the power line Right of Way
  - In February Kananaskis Village reservoir construction will start

o Loren Winnick

- Update on the Elk Pass Trail as part of the Trans Canada Trail project, connecting Alberta and BC. McElhanney Engineering is working on routing this leg of the trail, between Goat Creek and Elk Pass. Pursuing funding will be the next phase. The Kananaskis Trails Committee will have the opportunity to review options and provide comments regarding routing.
- Legacy Trail Update – the last portion of this trail will continue the existing Legacy Trail from Banff East Gate to the Travel Alberta Visitor Centre on the south side of Hwy 1 and is ready to go once funding is secured.
- R. Spence inquired about having a trails update from the Kananaskis Trails Committee. J. Young responded that can provide an update at the March 12, 2013, meeting. Processes have

been developed and KTC is currently working on an overall plan. Parks will take on maintenance of trails developed on Parks land; whereas trails developed on Public Land must have a maintenance agreement with the local municipality through a disposition. Further updates will be provided at the March 12, 2013, meeting.

○ S. Polley

- Next KID Council meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2013.
- The KID Council open house is scheduled for February 5, 2013, and will be held at the Delta Lodge at Kananaskis between 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm.
- This is an election year for KIC Council and the current term ends in October 2013. Currently the representative for Small Business is vacant, and it is expected that two current Council Members will not put their names forward again, indicating there could be three vacant positions on Council.

○ R. Simieritsch

- The South Saskatchewan Regional Plan process under the Land Use Framework continues to roll along.
- RAC advice is being reviewed and the first cut of the SSRP is being put together, with the first public consultation planned for spring 2013.
  - J. Young added that there have been some shifts and reviews of other plans which may be fed into the SSRP, i.e. Eastern Slopes Policy and IRPs. The goal is to have a draft plan to Cabinet in April, followed by public consultation in May/June.
- ESRD is initiating a “Water Conversation”; a broad discussion with Albertans regarding water issues such as water management, fracking, lakes, and headwater/source water protection. Timeline for this conversation is between February and April 2013, with some targeted sessions and seeking input from all Albertans.

○ R. Spence

- Fortress Mountain was to be a roundtable update, but was discussed earlier in today’s meeting.
- West Bragg Creek (WBC) harvest plans:
  - Logging is currently underway in all blocks with activity ranging between 85 percent complete, down to 10 percent complete. Inspections of logging activity are taking place daily. Public response to the work has been quiet.

o J. Young

- Bow River Project – this is moving forward working towards the re-management of the Bow River system, including the stabilization of the Lower Kananaskis Lake and River and the concept of a “water bank” that can be used to supplement stream objectives.
- This project is led by WaterSmart and has been submitted to Trans Alta Utilities and the GOA for consideration. Components of project may be considered as part of the SSRP objectives.
- The draft report identifies and quantifies/qualifies benefits of this project. The economic figures however *do not* take into account all benefits as there are some limitations on data and science to support at this time. Noted benefits include Lower Kananaskis Lake fishery stabilization, restoration of the aquatic environment, enhancements to along river camping, commercial and private values, or adaptability (mitigating drought/flood).
  - Draft business case attached.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

- 7) Next Meeting:            March 12, 2012, 9:30 start  
   Meeting Room ‘A’  
   Canmore Nordic Centre  
   1988 Olympic Way  
   Canmore, AB

Minutes approved by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dave Hanna, Acting Co-Chair, KCICC

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ross Spence, Co-Chair, KCICC