



LOWER KOOTENAY BAND

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OFFICIAL MINUTES

Type of Meeting: Lower Kootenay Council Meeting		Date of Meeting: January 15, 2021	
Participants: Chief: Jason Louie Councillors: Sandra Luke, Robert Louie Sr., Josie Fullarton, Cherie Luke Guests: Michael Murphy, BDO (rescheduled) Aaron Francis, LKB Member		Chair: DoO: Heather Suttie	Recorder: Administrative Assistant: Chantelle Morin

Location: LKB Boardroom

APPOINTMENTS

Time: 9:30am
Name: Aaron Francis, LKB employee

Discussion:

- Aaron Francis spoke with Chief and Council about his concerns regarding Carrie Luke's potential cannabis dispensary
- Aaron Francis's concerns include the high volume of traffic and safety of the community members and their children

DEBRIEFING OF APPOINTMENTS

Appointment:
Discussion:

No debrief

CALL TO ORDER

Time: 9:45am

AGENDA

Review of Agenda:

Additions:

- 8h. The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
- 8i. COVID-19 Vaccine Update
- 8j. Sector Updates

Deletions:

Motion:

Moved By: Josie Fullarton
Seconded By: Cherie Luke

THAT: Chief and Council approve the amended agenda

Carried Defeated Tabled

PREVIOUS MINUTES



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Review of Minutes:	Discussion: No discussion	
Motion:	Moved By: Sandra Luke Seconded By: Robert Louie Sr.	THAT: Chief and Council approve the previous minutes
Carried <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Defeated <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled <input type="checkbox"/>		

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

8a. MOU Town of Creston

Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Creston and the Lower Kootenay Band regarding the potential land purchase of Kinsmen Park has been drafted for review • Additions to the MOU and concerns discussed • Timeline for the final decision and structure of process to be developed before presenting to the community members • Further discussion with the Mayor and the Town of Creston to be scheduled
Action:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather Suttie will be meeting with Stan Chung for further discussion

8b. IMBA Money Policy

Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Director of Finance, Zina Kwan, has presented a revenue summary for discussion • Expenses, grants and budget discussed • Suggestions made to develop annual planning meetings with Chief & Council • Zina made suggestions of sourcing available grants, etc.
Action:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next steps – community consultation

8c. HR Policy Issues

Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruitment and salary issues discussed • Amendments to the existing HR Policy discussed
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8d. Nelson Cannabis Collective

Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up discussion regarding the Nelson Cannabis Collective • Council suggestion: Nelson Cannabis host an informational Zoom for community members
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8e. Proposed Dispensary

Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up discussion regarding the proposed cannabis dispensary • Legal process and proper regulations must be in place • An alternate location for the dispensary discussed
Action:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather Suttie will send an email to Carrie Luke outlining Council's requirements before re-considering support for the dispensary



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Motion:	Moved By: Sandra Luke Seconded By: Jason Louie *Robert Louie Sr. abstains from this agenda item and motion*	THAT: Chief and Council will consider supporting the proposed cannabis dispensary only after: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The business is licensed; and 2. Concerns about increased traffic and the proximity to the school have been fully addressed. Carried <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Defeated <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled <input type="checkbox"/>
8f. Communication Policy		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A draft copy of a communication policy has been made and presented to council for review and discussion • After further revision it will go out to the community for input 	
Action:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather Suttie, Director of Operations, will continue to revise the communication policy 	
8g. Chronic Wasting Disease Monitoring		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ian Adams from KNC had sent an email stating that they will be placing collars on white-tailed deer that are close to the US border between Creston Valley and Tobacco Plains area to monitor movement and potential for Chronic Wasting Disease outbreaks to move location in and around Libby, MT • The process of the project is outlined and explained • Bighorn Helicopters will need permission to monitor the areas of interest and to capture the white-tail deer on reserve lands 	
Motion:	Moved By: Robert Louie Sr. Seconded By: Sandra Luke	THAT: Chief and Council give permission to Big Horn Helicopters to fly over the reserve lands and potentially capture the white-tail deer for the purpose of their project Carried <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Defeated <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled <input type="checkbox"/>
8h. The Confederated Tribes of the Coville Reservation		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FYI letter dated Sept 15, 2009 brought in by Robert Louie Sr. 	
8i. COVID Vaccine Update		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are limited vaccines available and will be first administered to the remote Indigenous communities in Northern BC • The vaccines were received on Dec 29th and were distributed to 10 First Nations communities • There were 88,000 doses administered and there are still doses needed to complete the first phase of the vaccine 	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lower Kootenay Band is in need of nurses to administer the second phase of the vaccine once it is available and will need to make room to store the vaccine		
8j. Sector Updates			
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Economic – potential of extending the PEAWOG initiative and sourcing out additional funding and entrepreneur opportunities• Lands & Resource – working on strategic planning and a decision is needed regarding TC Energy project of the old pipeline from Yahk to Elko• Education & Employment – A checklist needs to be constructed for the education sector• Sandra Luke to be appointed as the alternative representative for the Education and Employment sector		
IN CAMERA			
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ADJOURNMENT			
Next Meeting:	January 29, 2021 @ 9am		
Adjournment:	Cherie Luke – 3:28pm		