



OFFICIAL MINUTES

Type of Meeting: Lower Kootenay Council Meeting		Date of Meeting: September 15, 2023	
Participants: Councilors: Robin Louie, Josie Fullarton, Cherie Luke, Jason Louie Guests: Kat Coleman, Shelley Jacobs		Chair: CAO: Heather Suttie	Recorder: Executive Coordinator: Doreen Cardwell
Location: Council Chambers & Zoom			

CALL TO ORDER

Time: 8:58 am

AGENDA

Review of Agenda:	Additions: c. Legal Proposal re: Allotment and Allocation Policy d. Credit Card for Leadership Assistant	Deletions: none
Motion:	Moved by: Josie Fullarton Seconded by: Robin Louie	THAT: Chief and Council approve the agenda as amended.
		Carried X Tabled Defeated

APPOINTMENTS

Time: 8:58 a.m. Name: Kat Coleman & Shelley Jacobs	Discussion: Kat Coleman gave a report on YN School: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 90 students from Kindergarten to Grade 7 and an additional 10 students in the Preschool Program • Krista Comer is returning to her role in the Preschool and is also heading the "Making Connections" program that connects students with clinical counselling through KKCFS. • YN School, LKB Admin and the BC Teachers Federation are co-hosting the Sept 30 Truth and Reconciliation Event. • YN School is receiving in excess of \$20,000 in grants for food supports. Would like to work collaboratively with LKB Admin and KKCFS to ensure the money is spent in the best way. • Chelsey Luke will be moving into a culturally based learning role to support all classes within the school. • Jenny Jacobs will continue her role as the Ktunaxa language teacher.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chelsey Luke & Jenny Jacobs plan to attend KRSS to see how nominal roll student are served and give increased support. Kat Coleman – everyone is welcome to join YN School events.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Review of Minutes:	Discussion: September 1, 2023	
Motion:	Moved By: Cherie Seconded By: Robin	THAT: Chief and Council approve the September 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes
		Carried X Tabled Defeated

NEW BUSINESS

8.a SD#8 – LKB Learning Opportunity for Students	
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Josie Fullarton proposes that LKB Council host another governance session for ARES students which could include a mini election A sign is going to be put into the garden at ARES while Council is at the AGA – is there anyone available to come to the celebration of the unveiling? a video could be created by Council for the event. Jason Louie is interested in participating in a student educational session depending upon the dates.
8. b – Cows on the Flats – Robin Louie	
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Robin Louie states that a lodge erected on the flats has been damaged by the cows. The gate on the fence was left open and the cows entered an area that was supposed to be off limits to the cattle. Community members often use this area for hunting and gathering and other cultural practices and there are continuing problems with this human/cow interaction. In the past few years, there have been extraordinary measures taken on IR1 to keep cows out of the Kootenay River and the cottonwood trees in order to support wetland restoration and the creation of fish habitat. The area left for grazing is a series of small non-continuous plots of land. Fencing and getting water to these small fields has proven to be very expensive. It is not economically viable to invest in the extensive infrastructure required to continue to graze on IR1. Consideration needs to be given to grazing cows somewhere other than on IR1.



<p>Update on the Gym</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council is asked to consider authorizing the disposal of or a major cull of the herd. • The cattle herd can be re-established after a grazing and business plan is completed. • Given the cost of maintaining the herd, its disposal could easily finance the purchase of beef for community distribution. • While Council is proud of the beef and seeing it in restaurants and in community members' homes, there is a recognition that it is not a viable operation in its' current form. • Before moving ahead in the cattle business, we need to identify grazing areas, invest in infrastructure and equipment; and ideally develop a mutually beneficial partnership with a local farmer. • The future of the community market garden also needs to be considered. This matter will be reviewed by Council in the near future • Jason Louie gives an update on the gym plans. LKB has hired Cover Architecture to design the gym after doing a site visit to the gym in Bonners Ferry. • Plans have been sent to Teck and they appear to be committed to funding at least part of the facility. Staff is engaged with Teck to flush out the details of the grant. • Josie Fullarton suggests that at our Open House, community be shown floor plans and a construction time line. 	
<p>Motion:</p>	<p>Moved by: Josie Fullarton Seconded by: Robin Louie</p>	<p>THAT: Chief and Council authorize LKB administration to either dispose of the LKB cattle herd or do a major cull of the cattle.</p> <p>Carried <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tabled Defeated</p>
<p>8. c – Legal Proposal re: Allotment and Allocation Policy</p>		
<p>Discussion:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council is provided with a proposal from First People's Law to create an Allocation and Allotment Policy for LKB. The cost estimate is \$65,000. LKB has worked with the law firm previously and has been satisfied with the work. • Josie Fullarton says she liked how they wrote out the process and confirms that the creation of a community task force is an option to facilitate the community consultation process. • An appointment with the First People's Law will be set for a Chief and Council meeting in the near future. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8. d – Credit Card for Lindsay Floer, Leadership Executive Assistant 		



LOWER KOOTENAY BAND

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<p>Discussion:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is recommended to Council that they authorize a credit card for Lindsay Floer, Leadership Executive Assistant in the amount of \$5000. • Lindsay Floer is responsible for purchasing food for community distribution and is also responsible for purchasing food and other items for administrative, community and social events. 	
<p>Motion:</p>	<p>Moved by: Josie Fullarton Seconded by: Cherie Luke</p>	<p>THAT: Chief and Council authorize Lindsay Floer to apply and hold a LKB credit card with a credit limit of \$5000.</p> <p>Carried <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tabled Defeated</p>
<p>IN CAMERA</p>		
<p>Motion:</p>	<p>To Go In Camera: 10:53 a.m. Moved By: Robin Louie Seconded By: Josie Fullarton</p>	<p>To Go Out Of Camera: 1:37 p.m. Moved By: Josie Fullarton Seconded By: Robin Louie</p>
<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>		
<p>Next Meeting:</p>	<p>October 6, 2023</p>	
<p>Adjournment:</p>	<p>Moved by: Jason Louie – 1:38 p.m.</p>	