



WCPS Board Attendees	Absent	Support Staff Attendees
Dominic Michaud	Lou Maffret	Jim Hammond
Tom Turner	Bill Smith	
Leanne Beaupre	John Simpson	
Dan Wong	Christine Schlieff	
Jerry Bauer	Ray Marcy	
Lauraine Howatt	Bob Scott	
Lesley Vandemark	Glen Bielech	
Duane Stevenson	Bernie Krahn	
Tim Wilmot	Neil Dobson	
Wayne Roznowsky	Rory Tarant	
Brenda Finch		
Dan Wong		

1. An excellent meal was served by Lauraine and Peter at 6:00. Peter displayed his expertise as a chef.
2. The meeting was called to order at 6:40. The meeting agenda was reviewed. An additional topic – 5C – Membership Committee was added to the agenda. It was moved by Dan Wong and seconded by Leanne Beaupre that the revised agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

MOTION CARRIED

3. The June 17 minutes were reviewed and it was directed to add a sentence to 5B identifying that a motion on the floor had been withdrawn. It was moved by Lesley Vandemark and seconded by Tom Turner that the revised June 17 minutes be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Plan Items:

A) Update on the MD of Greenview:

Board members asked for an update on the status of the plan at the MD of Greenview. As follow up, Jerry and Duane will ask Bill Smith for an update.

B) A future meeting with ESRD Staff:

Jerry updated the group on a conversation he had with Bob Savage from ESRD. Bob believes that mid August is when ESRD will be ready to meet again with the Board.

Jim reviewed that he has contacted Abdi Said Omar twice since the last meeting. Abdi advised that by early August he will be able to review with Jim those areas of the plan where ESRD is supportive of moving forward with implementing, and those areas where ESRD wishes further clarification. Abdi would prefer to work these items 1:1 with Jim, and have Jim use the Board for further input where needed.

Since the last meeting, Jim has been actively working behind the scenes with Dion Lawrence – the local person in charge of ESRD – Lands and Dave Hervieux to have ESRD appoint an individual to join our Board. The key message Jim is providing these two individuals is that up till the plan was submitted in December, Blaine Burke did a good job acting as a communication conduit between ESRD and the WCPS. Not having a rep from ESRD on our Board for the first half of 2014 has reduced effective communication between the two organizations, and so we want an ESRD rep on our Board soonest.

In late June, on behalf of the Council of the County of Grande Prairie, Leanne sent a letter to the Honourable Robin Campbell, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development (ESRD), requesting that ESRD provide a “timely response to the WCPS regarding adoption and implementation of the Wapiti Corridor Land Use Plan.”

The direction that was provided at the last Board meeting as to what our key messages will be when we meet with ESRD is that they will be:

- We want timely adoption of the plan by ESRD.
- We want timely implementation of the plan, and this means implementation of many of the recommendations prior to the land use framework plan being developed for the Upper Peace region.
- For the area covered by the Wapiti Corridor Multi Use Plan, when the land use framework plan for the Upper Peace is developed, we wish the WCMUP (Wapiti Corridor Multi Use Plan) to have a major input to the policies and specific recommendations that are made for future land use for the area of the Wapiti Corridor.



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C) Recommendations to the Municipalities and the Provincial Government for 2015:

Jim reviewed the one page document he and Jerry had developed from the plan. Lots of excellent input was received. Jim will update this document with the input received, and circulate it for further input within the next week. After it is circulated and final input is provided, it will set to the Municipalities and the Provincial Government with a covering letter from Jerry.

Due to the timing of the City's 4 year Capital spending planning process, Jim was asked to send a specific request to the City immediately. This was done the morning of July 16.

Jim was asked to provide Dan Wong the work done to date concerning OHV trails east of Evergreen Park, and the current best knowledge on OHV trail standards. The need for OHV trail standards for building trails on public lands will be highlighted to ESRD in our recommendation of focus areas for them in 2015.

5. Society Business:

A) 2015 Budget for the WCPS:

Jim and Jerry reviewed the budget pre work that was sent out. It was moved by Lauraine and seconded by Tom that the Budget be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

As follow up, Leanne requested that Jim check with Financial people in the County and report back on current budget plans for 2014 and 2015 for the Wapiti Corridor.

There was also the suggestion of considering a CIP grant application.

B) Role of the Back up Board Members:

Each Municipality has a back up Board member. In order to keep them informed on the WCPS's activities, Jim was requested to start sending back up Board members all Board agendas and minutes. The first time Jim does this, he will explain to each back up why they are now receiving these minutes and agendas.

C) Membership Committee:

A membership committee consisting of Lauraine, Lesley, and Duane was struck. Jim was asked to provide some staff support.



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6. Next meeting Date:

The next Board meeting will likely be in September, with Jerry calling it as necessary. It is likely he will contact a number of Board members to meet with ESRD representatives between now and then.

7. Adjournment:

It was moved by Tom Turner and seconded by Duane Stevenson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10, followed by a tour of Lauraine's unique home.