

January 25, 2021

Dawson Regional Planning Commission  
Commission Meeting #8 Minutes  
Dawson City and Videoconference

In Attendance			
<p><b>DRPC</b></p> <p>Debbie Nagano – Chair Alice McCulley - Member Angie Joseph-Rear - Member Dan Reynolds – Member John Flynn – Member Jesse Cooke - Member</p>	<p><b>DRPC Staff</b></p> <p>Tim Van Hinte - Senior Land Use Planner Katie Fraser – Land Use Planner Nicole Percival – Land Use Planner</p> <p><b>Technical Working Group (TWG)</b></p> <p>Natasha Ayoub – TH Lee Whalen – TH Larissa Lychenko – YG EMR (online)</p>	<p><b>Delegate/Guests:</b></p> <p>John Glynn Morris – Facilitator Paula Pacholek – Environment Canada Yukon Land Use Planning Council representatives Madison Guthrie -White River First Nation</p>	<p><b>Public / Audience:</b></p> <p>*No in-person public attendance in person due to COVID 19 restrictions. Online public participation through Zoom Webinar and radio broadcast.</p>

**Acronyms:** TWG – Technical Working Group  
SLC – Senior Liaison Committee  
YG – Yukon Government  
EMR – Energy, Mines and Resources  
ENV – Environment & Parks

**First Nations:** FNNND – First Nation of Na- Cho Nyäk Dun  
TH – Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in  
VGFN – Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation

**Planning:** DRPC – Dawson Regional Planning Commission  
CLUPP – Common Land Use Planning Process  
THFA - Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Final Agreement

**Action Items:** Status indicated is as of next meeting date

Meeting called to order at 9:30



Agenda Item 1: Review Agenda (Tab 1)	Action Items
<b>Comments</b>	
<p><u>Pre-Meeting Notes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DRPC Planner made an announcement to the Commission that she will be leaving her position when her term is up in April 2021.</li> </ul> <p><u>Opening Prayer</u></p> <p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Planner and Facilitator welcomed and introduced the Parties and public to the newest Commission member Jesse Cooke.</li> </ul> <p><u>Agenda Review</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commission had no amendments to the agenda.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion #1: To accept Commission Meeting #8 agenda with no amendments.</b>  <b>Moved Alice McCulley 2<sup>nd</sup> John Flynn - Passed by consensus</b></p>	
Agenda Item 2: Minutes and Delegations (Tab 2)	Action Items
<b>Comments</b>	
<p><u>Minutes Commission Meeting #7 (December 15, 2020)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commission had no amendments to the minutes.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion: To approve the minutes of Commission Meeting #7 with no amendments</b>  <b>Moved Dan Reynolds 2<sup>nd</sup> John Flynn - Passed by consensus</b></p>	

<p><u>Review of DRPC Action Items</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Planner reviewed the DRPC action item list and the Commission did not require any revisions.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Agenda Item 3: Delegations</b></p>	<p><b>Action Items</b></p>
<p><b>Comments</b></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitator welcomed the delegates making presentations at the meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paula Pacholek – Environment Canada</li> <li>• Madison Guthrie – White River First Nation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>Agenda Item 4: Report from the Chair and Senior Planner (Tab 3)</b></p>	<p><b>Action Items</b></p>
<p><b>Comments</b></p>	
<p><u>Report from Chair</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair welcomed the newest Commission member Jesse Cooke and highlighted his experience as an educator and tourism operator in Dawson as a welcome asset to the Commission.</li> <li>• Chair reiterated the importance of the work that the Commission is doing and their aspirations for this next phase of the planning process, the production of a Draft Plan.</li> </ul> <p><u>Senior Planner’s Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Planner announced that he will not be renewing his contract at the end of March due to personal reasons.</li> <li>• Finance and administration – the Final Recommended Work Plan and Budget 2021-2022 must be submitted to YG to ensure that we have a budget for next year. Preliminary workplan and budget was discussed in the December meeting (Meeting #7) and changes have been made.</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public Engagement and Communications – Staff continue to work with public and planning partners through email, Facebook and the Commission’s website. Staff have been having ongoing meetings with the inter-governmental Cumulative Effects Working Group.</li> <li>Draft Plan development is progressing with the anticipation of a spring submission to the Parties and public release.</li> </ul>	
<b>Agenda Item 5: Correspondence and Relevant Media (Tab 4)</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
<b>Comments</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Senior Planner highlighted some media items of note: Draft Mineral Development Strategy Report and Fortymile Caribou Herd Harvest Plan was released.</li> </ul>	

Agenda Item 6: Finance and Administration (Tab 5)	Action Items
<b>Comments</b>	
<p><u>Financial Statement for November 2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Planner acknowledged YLUPC Senior Financial Administrator for her exceptional work on DRPC finances. Commission is encouraged to reach out to her if they have any questions about the financial statements.</li> <li>• DRPC is currently under budget for the year (due to fewer expenses related to staff travel COVID travel restrictions). The Commission is permitted to carry funds over to next year.</li> </ul> <p><u>Appointment of Financial Auditor for 2020-2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commission must pass a motion to appoint an independent auditor for the 2020-2021 financial year. Crowe McKay performed DRPC audit last year and also conducted the YLUPC audit.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion: To appoint Crowe McKay to be the Commission Auditor for 2020-2021 fiscal year.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: Dan Reynolds 2nd Debbie Nagano - Passed by consensus</b></p> <p><u>DRPC Final Recommended Work Plan and Budget 2021-2022</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Planner explained some of the minor changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date for Draft Plan submission was changed from March 2021 to April 2021.</li> <li>• Acknowledged an overlap period between Senior Planners to facilitate transition period.</li> <li>• Public engagement and communication line was adjusted to reflect estimates provided for engagement and communication strategies.</li> <li>• Recommended plan submission estimated by year end 2021 in a best case scenario.</li> <li>• Risk management: Staff turnover and possibility of territorial election are factors that were considered.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Commission suggested moving the May Commission Meeting to April.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion: To approve the Final Recommended Work Plan and Budget 2021-2022 with amendment for submission to Parties and YLUPC.</b></p> <p><b>Moved: Dan Reynolds 2<sup>nd</sup> Alice McCulley – Passed by consensus (Jesse Cooke abstaining)</b></p>	<p><b>Action:</b> Make amendment to meeting schedule to Final Recommended Workplan and Budget before submitting.</p>

<b>Agenda Item 7: Presentation – White River First Nation</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
<b>Comments</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by Madison Guthrie, WRFN Lands and Resources Department</li> <li>• WRFN Conservation priorities for the overlap area of WRFN traditional territory in the southern portion of the planning region were presented.</li> <li>• Presentation is available on dawson.planyukon.ca website. WRFN will provide DRPC with accompanying written submission.</li> <li>• WRFN citizens provided input on conservation priorities in the region.</li> <li>• There are 3 areas they have high conservation interest: White River LMU, Yukon River LMU, Coffee Creek LMU.</li> <li>• They have traditional land use studies for the area and they would be open to sharing these with DRPC .</li> <li>• Requested that the Commission consider the effects of the Northern Access Route.</li> </ul>	
<b>Agenda Item 8: Yukon South Beringia Priority Places Initiative</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
<b>Comments</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paula Pacholek from Canadian Wildlife Service presented on the Priority Place Initiative – Yukon South Beringia to inform DRPC of opportunities for collaborative conservation and rationale for South Beringia as a priority for conservation efforts.</li> <li>• The program has funding secured until 2023 however the results of their work will not be ready before submission of Commission’s Draft Plan.</li> </ul>	
<b>Agenda Item 9: Draft Plan Development</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
<b>Comments</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DRPC staff presented on a shift in language and intent of the Draft Plan from a ‘management’ ideology to a ‘stewardship’ ideology.</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Main takeaways in the stewardship focus are in the change from “Integrated Management Areas (IMA)” to “Integrated Stewardship Areas (ISA)” in the plan designation system.</li> <li>• Commission welcomed the change as stewardship accurately reflects the Commission’s vision for the region.</li> </ul>	
<b>Agenda Item 10: Questions from Public</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
<b>Comments</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission fielded questions from the public. Record of these questions was taken for further consideration and/or response as required.</li> </ul>	
<b>Agenda Item 11: Next Commission Meeting</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The last week of March was proposed for the next regular Commission meeting.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion: To adjourn regular Commission Meeting #8.</b></p> <p><b>Moved</b> Debbie Nagano <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> Alice McCulley <b>Passed by Consensus</b></p>	
<p><b>Approval at Regular Board Meeting #09 – 20\21 (March 29, 2021)</b>  By Motion #2 at Regular Board Meeting #09 – 20/21</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">   <input type="text" value="Chair"/> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">   <input type="text" value="DRPC Secretariat"/> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>March 29 2021</p> <input type="text" value="Date"/> </div> </div>	