

Northwest Species at Risk Committee: Minutes

Online Zoom Meeting

Wednesday, September 29th 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

- PRESENT:** Lisa Wardley Chair, Councillor, Mackenzie County
Crystal McAteer Vice Chair, Mayor, Town of High Level
Terry Ungarian Reeve, County of Northern Lights
Amber Bean Reeve, Clear Hills County
Chris Mitchell Deputy Mayor, Town of Rainbow Lake
Eric Jorgensen Councillor, Mackenzie County
Cameron Cardinal Councillor, Mackenzie County
Mike Morgan Councillor, Town of High Level
- REGRETS:** Linda Halabisky Councillor, County of Northern Lights
Peter Frixel Councillor, Clear Hills County
Jessica Juneau Councillor, Town of Rainbow Lake
- ADMINISTRATION:** Hayley Gavin Land Use and Planning Manager/Recording Secretary, Town of High Level
Byron Peters Deputy CAO, Mackenzie County
- ALSO PRESENT:** John Moen Councillor, Saddle Hills County
Terry Batt Director North Zone, Alberta Trappers Association
Melanie Dickie Caribou Monitoring Unit, Alberta Biodiversity Monitoring Institute
Monica Kohler Co-Director – Application Centre, Alberta Biodiversity Monitoring Institute

MOTION

1. Call to Order

Lisa Wardley called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

21-09-001

MOVED by Crystal McAteer

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. ABMI Presentation: Melanie Dickie & Monica Kohler

See Presentation Slides.

Melanie Dickie and Monica Kohler left the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

21-09-002

MOVED by Mike Morgan

THAT NWSAR accepts the ABMI presentation for information.

CARRIED

4. Adoption of the Minutes

21-09-003

MOVED by Terry Ungarian

THAT minutes from the June 29th 2021 NWSAR Committee meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

a. Business Arising out of the Minutes

- Send Minister Nixon the letter under Resolution #21-06-003.

b. Action Item List

21-09-004

MOVED by Eric Jorgensen

THAT NWSAR accepts the Action Item List for information.

CARRIED

5. NWSAR 2021 Budget Overview

a. Schedule of Expenses

21-09-005

MOVED by Crystal McAteer

THAT NWSAR accepts the Schedule of Expenses paid from June 6th 2021 up until September 11th 2021; totalling \$131.00, as presented.

CARRIED

6. State of the Region Report (Project #001)

a. Project Update

See agenda package.

b. Project Budget Update

See agenda package.

c. Action Items

See agenda package.

21-09-006

MOVED by Crystal McAteer

THAT NWSAR prints hardcopy reports and mail out to major project contributors.

CARRIED

21-09-007

MOVED by Cameron Cardinal

THAT NWSAR receives the State of the Region Report Project for information and proceed with the Action Items.

CARRIED

7. Caribou Ranges Research (Project #002)

a. Project Update

See agenda package.

b. Alberta Trappers Association Update

Verbal update provided.

c. Project Budget Update

See agenda package.

d. Action Items

See agenda package.

21-09-008

MOVED by Amber Bean

THAT NWSAR moves forward with purchasing equipment for a third year of wildlife density estimates for the Caribou Ranges research Project in 2021/22.

CARRIED

21-09-009 **MOVED** by Mike Morgan

THAT NWSAR receives the Caribou Ranges Research Project, ATA and Budget Updates for information, and proceed with the Action Items.

CARRIED

8. Memorandum of Understanding with Town of High Level (In Camera)

21-09-010 **MOVED** by Amber Bean

THAT NWSAR moves in camera at 3:10 p.m.

CARRIED

21-09-011 **MOVED** by Terry Ungarian

THAT NWSAR moves out of camera at 3:39 p.m.

CARRIED

21-09-012 **MOVED** by Cameron Cardinal

THAT NWSAR asks the Town of High Level for an extension under the conditions of the current Memorandum of Understanding to December 31st 2021, which retains the currently assigned employee under Section 2 "Administrative Support".

CARRIED

21-09-013 **MOVED** by Amber Bean

THAT NWSAR members bring Administrative Support options to the NWSAR meeting on October 14th 2021.

CARRIED

9. Letters Sent and Received

None.

10. Committee Member Updates: For Discussion

NWSAR Committee members discussed several items.

11. Terms of Reference: For Information

Received for information purposes.

12. Acronyms Reference Page

Received for information purposes.

13. Next Meeting Date(s)

21-09-014

MOVED by Lisa Wardley

- ❖ Thursday October 14th 2021 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom.
- ❖ Thursday November 18th 2021 at 12:00 p.m. via Zoom.

CARRIED

14. Meeting Adjournment

21-09-015

MOVED by Eric Jorgenson

THAT Alberta Northwest Species at Risk Committee meeting be adjourned at 3:41 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes were adopted this _____ day of _____ 2021.

Lisa Wardley, Chair