

Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee Meeting Wednesday, October 16 at 11:00 a.m.

In Person MINUTES

Chairperson:

Alanna Anderson

Committee Members:

Joan Cosco, Aileen Urquhart, Brent Wesley, Reece Van Breda, Naomi

Hoppe Mackechnie

Absent:

Raymond Angeconeb -

Mario Rasetti -

Darlene Angeconeb – with regrets

Staff:

Michelle Varey - Staff Resource

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 a.m.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Reece Van Breda

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

a. Confirmation of Agenda

Moved By: Joan Cosco

Seconded By: Brent Wesley



That the Agenda for the October 16, 2024 Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THAT the Minutes for the September 17, 2024 Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

Moved By: Joan Cosco Seconded By: Brent Wesley

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

7. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE PRESENTATIONS

None

8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Standee "Working Group" check-in

- Everyone is happy with the 18 banners
- K-Net Storm C graphic was very well received, great project
- Organization takes time to see where they are at. A good job
- Very happy with Catspaw Printing.
- Will ask for files from James from Catspaw for presentations that may
- Town paid Catspaw, then bill the TRC

2. Upcoming Events



- a. November 1, 2024 budget is due
- b. TRC group aware that any remaining money can't be brought into 2025 budget
- c. TRC aware that \$348.00 was taken from the budget to pay for Truth & Reconciliation Ad. (Megan confirmed this was a miscommunication and the money for the ad did not come from the TRC funds) email sent to group
- d. Group discussed purchasing yard signs with names and traditional pronunciation to use at the Airport
- e. Also purchase stickers to go on glass.
- f. Signs were \$15.00 each to purchase
- g. Group thinking a Welcome to Sioux Lookout sign with syllabics and pronunciation
- h. Purchase a Chamber of Commerce Welcome Sign
- i. Group discussed if there was "Welcome to Sioux Lookout" sign
- j. The group would like to consult Charles Brown to ensure all bases are covered
- Possibly purchase a Daycare Center and Airport signs with syllabics.
 Brent will discuss with Charles to ensure it is not offensive to put syllabics on the signs
- I. Jen will attend November 19, 2024 meeting to discuss phase 1 Centennial Park and display cabinets
- m. Next step \$20 000 Council Approval
- n. The TRC group wants to discuss what direction can we go? Indigenous voices to be heard and not to create harm
- TRC group asked for drawings to be handed to the committee members before the November meeting. (Michelle reached out to Brian and asked that drawings be sent to members)
- p. Group would like input on designs, would like to ensure social issues are being looked at. Keeping the park clean, cross walks, lighting is adequate and inclusive to the indigenous groups. These are the main focus points the TRC would like to have input on
- People want this revitalization and how do we get there
- Is the goal to have Front St as a retail area? A lot of people do not go to Front St and will walk on King St instead to avoid the area
- The new subdivision by the airport, how will this change the community and the new subdivision by the Airport?
- Group would like to discuss with Jen her goals to see what is needed
- Reece stated that by-laws need to be brought up to the Government to help create more housing to thrive
- Can the town help build more retail spaces but the town can not be a landlord
- Online shopping has become a large part of everyone's shopping. A small town can only support so many small businesses
- Group discussed developing a green space, and what steps have to be done to achieve this



3. Hybrid Meetings

- Hybrid Meetings were approved by council
- TRC Group wondered if someone attending the meeting online if that would include and make up quorum
- It would be easier for members to attend the TRC meetings and get more participation from other groups such as: Lac Seul etc.

4. Land Acknowledgement

- TRC would like to have a motion to have the Land Acknowledgement read at every meeting
- April 17, 2024 meeting reply to Land Acknowledgement read prior to any meeting
- Where are we at? Did this get approved?
- A motion needs to go through
- The TRC group discussed taking out Nishnawbe-Aski- Nation and proper pronunciation of Waanaawakaank
- Reece will send out an email to the committee to vote regarding the wording for the Land Acknowledgement

5. Tom Terry

- Trouble inviting him to meetings
- Could we form a working group to see what Tom could do
- Something In the park with history of names
- Reconnect a Working Group
- Educational campaign around traditional names
- Aileen will head the group and both Reece and Brent will join the group
- Town Beach aka. Farlinger Beach, Farlinger owned the land and donated the land built railroads where the hospital is

WORK PLAN

- Memorial event Darlene for Northway Cemetery. Jennifer could look to see if we could apply for the grant for unmarked graves. Michelle will forward Jen the grant application before next meeting
- 2. Create a working group to support



- 3. Could host a 3 day event, Culturally Lead with SLFNHA and NAN which would be a huge project
- 4. The United Church has funds for Truth and Reconciliation
- 5. Work Plan is on hold till Bring the Children home
- 6. Where is Lac Seul looking for the graves
- 7. Funding was cut from this project
- 8. Northway has many unmarked graves and a memorial can be put up to include everyone
- 9. The site by Rotary Park, who owns this property? Brian is looking into this
- 10. Add Tom Terry to working group to educational campaign
- 11. Add grant under Northway

12. Projects for next year:

- Brochure for space rental
- Blueberry events
- Truth and Reconciliation events
- Bringing the Children Home
- Need a Lac Seul, member on board in an acting and support role
- Children, aunts, uncles 3 day event, feast, music, jokes and all different types of spiritual factors
- Chief Clifford Bull
- Elders highly respected
- A memorial event including how to skin an animal
- Partnerships with the High school, SLFNHA to coordinate an event of healing
- This would be a great opportunity to draw people together

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee will be held on November 19, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: Naomi Hoppe Mackechnie



Seconded By: Joan Cosco

That the October 16, 2024, meeting of the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee adjourn at 12:40 p.m.

CARRIED

Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson

Megan Pollard, Staff Resource