

**MINUTES OF
THE DRYDEN LOCAL CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Wabigoon Room OGB, Dryden, ON
Wednesday, January 15, 2020 6:30pm**

PRESENT: John Dove (via phone), Earla Haukeness, Paul Heayn, Ron Kujansuu, Pierre Paquin, Penny Ratushniak, Darlene Salter, Del Schmucker, Steve Semeniuk (Vice-Chair), Darrel Sidney (Chair)

REGRETS: Gord Bastable, Daniel Morriseau, Mac Potter

INDUSTRY REPS: Daniel Yeboah (Domtar), Dave Legg, (DFMC)

MNRF REPS: Michelle Glena (Facilitator), DJ Armit, Ying Hong, Karen Savage (Minute Taker)(via phone)

PRESENTER: Nil

1. CALL TO ORDER

Darrel welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

2. REVIEW OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was reviewed.

MOTION #1 Moved by Del, Seconded by Paul to accept the agenda.
All in favor, agenda is accepted. Quorum met.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE November 13, 2019 meeting

Minutes were previously emailed to members to review

MOTION #2 Moved by Ron, Seconded by Pierre to accept the minutes.
All in favor, minutes are accepted.

Review of Previous Outstanding Action Items:

1. Earla will take a look at the LCAC website to update it for the Dryden LTMD. **Not completed. (LCAC members willing to update website will require training) Motion made by Earla to get Dave Keefer to train members for website and update it (if training is less than \$200 obtain dates, more than \$200 bring quote). Earla and Del to take training. Paul motioned, seconded by Ron. Karen get price quote. All in favor.**
2. Dave to forward information regarding total overall harvest amounts proposed in new 2021-2031 FMP. **Completed.**
3. Business card to be developed for review at next LCAC meeting. **Ongoing. Michelle presented draft. Comments were: 'dated' needs to be more generic to be able to be**

used long term. Would like two different types: one about promoting LCAC (business card) and one promoting Operations (poster). 5 x 3" size? Del will pick up posters if ready by Friday and place around town. Dave Legg could send info to Daniel Y to put info on mill display screen. Michelle to send poster to all members, Ron will print in black and white and distribute in Vermilion Bay.

Darlene asked about the Blue Lake Park boundary, Michelle responded hunting can occur in the new portions of the park that were added on. Hunting can't occur in the original area.

4. RE-OCCURRING BUSINESS

- a) Wabigoon Forest – (Daniel Y.) <http://domtardrydenforestry.ca/>
- Domtar Operations:
 - 2 chippers and one buncher are working in Dore Lake/Highway 502 – blocks DO100/1854/2557
 - Wood hauling and skidding of Poplar continues down Burr Road – block DO100
 - 1 backhoe and one buncher working in Twingrass road – Block DO99
 - 1 chipper located in Spawning road – block DO97
 - 2 chippers and two bunchers located in Camp 33/Snake Bay – block SB232/SB223
 - Crusher/Loader/Backhoe continue to pile material in the Bear Narrows km 19 pit
 - Bumblebee bridge has been installed – Basket Lake km 8
 - 1 chipper working at Spawning/Lonehand road doing wood clean up
 - Future conifer woodflow to continue to be chipped in the Twingrass/Beaver/Beaverhouse/Nivens area
 - Resolute operations:
 - Resolute will soon start to open roads to access Berglund and Powerline roads to complete wood cleanup
 - 2019-2029 FMP Update
 - Working on resubmission of Annual Report comments from MNRF for 2018-2019 Contingency Plan

Field Tour – spring/summer – meeting at Domtar, 3D FRI imagery – Daniel Y. to look into Michelle suggested March meeting (Feb meeting presentation). Daniel confirmed March would be a good time. (Can look into article that was circulated)

- b) Dryden Forest (Dave) www.operations.drydenforest.ca
- Harvest Areas:
 - Old Contact Bay
 - Wickens Lake Road
 - Vermillion Bay
 - Outstanding FMP Amendments:
 - none

- 2021-2031 FMP Development:
 - LTMD Comments
 - Met with Farabout Coalition
 - Met with Whitefish Bay F.N.
 - Met with Metis Region 1
 - Stage 3 – Proposed Operational Plan
 - January 22, 2020, 3:00-7:00pm at Best Western
 - Public notices
 - CKDR.net website
 - Radio ads
 - www.drydenforest.ca/fmpnotices.html
 - **LCAC members attending: Stephen, Darlene, Del, Paul, Pierre, Darrel, maybe Earla**
 - 1.3 years of contingency area
 - Operational plan run thru Patchworks again, confirmed, short 38 ha
 - Browse area in moose emphasis area – increased, one benefit
 - Dave will send out pdf map out to all members to review
 - **Motion from Del to pay radio ad, seconded by Paul, all in favour**
 - Maps to be reviewed at meeting (at the end of meeting)
Questions: Forward to Dave (dave@drydenforest.ca, 807-223-7216 x 1)
- c) MNRF General Updates (Michelle)
 - Moose Aerial Inventory Wildlife Management Unit 15A (Ignace area) is half completed
 - Staff – vacant planner and liaison and two techs
 - Ignace down two techs and a clerk
 - District Business Coordinator – Julie Berard from Sioux Lookout MNRF – 6 month term
 - Analie Norton finished her contract, Terry Delaronde on winter hiatus
 - Ryan acting Lands Technical Specialist
 - Steve Winsor new Parks Superintendent
 - Some changes in business processes: shoreline erosion program (centralized), 3 day turnaround
 - Aggregate Permitting – new team out of south (permitted pits, not forestry pits). Districts will be more focused on compliance.
 - February Annual Work Schedule and presentation
 - LTMD public review period – a few comments received. Majority thru Farabout Coalition. Concerns with Old growth and culture values found.

6. New Business/Correspondence

- A presentation could be given in February re Boreal Logging Scars

- **Information should be sent to Darrel (Chair) and Facilitator to ensure distribution of accurate information to committee members**
- Penny suggested back and forth bantering could divide committee, email not effective tool for communicating or addressing questions
- Earla suggested info to be sent to members only, not foresters etc. This would give LCAC members an avenue for discussion prior to the meetings and an opportunity to do our own research and come to the meetings better informed.
- Correspondence should be discussed in person (meetings etc)
- John commented re the boreal scarring info he sent out originally – regards committee as a closed group, send info around for opinion. John felt article was dated. Asking for responses, for opinions. Seemed to create negative feedback.
- Michelle – not about censorship. We don't want email bantering to divide committee. Discussions and questions are welcomed. Generated thought.
- Learning opportunity
- Michelle: Info should not put anyone (foresters) on the defensive.
- The article was not information relative to the Dryden or Wabigoon forests.
- Del: All members can make their own decisions regarding information provided. Challenge some rules, challenge how things are done, ask some questions, so we can improve our local forests.
- Committee's mandate is to advise the MNR District Manager as directed by the Forest Management Planning Manual (FMPM). Role of LCAC is clearly outlined in the FMPM.
- Want to ensure members receive accurate information that allow for committee to meet requirements outlined in FMPM .
- Michelle: Please work with Chair and Facilitator to distribute information. Questions should be filtered up thru the Chair.

- Draft Forest Sector Strategy (Darlene)
 - Draft forest strategy is out
 - Provincial initiative
 - Darlene highlighted some sections (in red)
 - She started with LCAC in 1995. At that time there were concerns with the mill upping the harvest level.
 - Now down to 1/3 of staff working at mill now.
 - Ontario's timber harvest is ½ of what it was – not in Dryden
 - Working to reduce red tape. Up the harvest, put more wood to work. Increase FN cutting wood.
 - The last date to comment on this is February 5, 2020
 - Michelle will send out the link to members to comment. Michelle will also forward Darlene's comments to committee members.
 - Individual comments only, out of scope of committee.

- Round Table
 - Nothing further

7. Financial Report

Distributed (back of Agenda)

8. Review of Proposed Operations (reviewing map)

Michelle: We will input info from meetings to LCAC report

Dave: undercut 38ha

Proposed operations within next ten years. Not finalized yet. Orange areas on map still available to get harvested.

Any comments/concerns from anyone before Open House, please send to Darrel and Michelle.

Next Meeting

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 Wabigoon Room (2nd Floor)

Time: 6:30 pm

POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 1 SEIM (Social Economic Impact) study that SSM is doing (Jennifer Brown, MNRF SSM) Sept or November – Webinar or Conference Phone
- 2 Spring members only field trip - Nabish Area Km 4 field trip (Penny suggested) MAY
- 3 Experimental Lakes Area – June or July (weekday)
- 4 Wood Flow for Dryden Forest and Domtar (NWR representative)
- 5 Pesticides as a Social Consideration (MNRF Specialist)
- 6 Domtar to host a meeting at a future date to demonstrate 3D FRI imagery (March 2020)

ACTION ITEMS:

Michelle to product posters and have available for members by this Friday to promote the Dryden Forest Information Centre.

Karen to obtain date(s) available and price quote from Dave Keefer to train members (Earla, Del) to update the LCAC website (if training is less than \$200 obtain dates, more than \$200 bring quote).

Michelle to send out link for commenting on Draft Forest Sector Strategy (Darlene’s email) to members.

Having no further business, Darrel, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Earla made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Penny

(Chair)

L.C.A.C. Member)

(Date)