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Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Name	Affiliation
Rory O'Connor Mariah Besplug Barry Duff Ken Timlin	Teck
Steve Fairbairn Jeremy Johnson Kevin Atherton	Community of Elkford

Meeting Name: Elkford Community Effects and Advisory Committee
Date: May 30, 2022
Time: 6:00 – 7:00 PM
Location: Zoom
Next Meeting: August 29, 2022
Action Items: Rory/Teck to update Jason and Craig on steps taken to expand use of the Elk Valley Lodge.

Agenda:

Time	Item	Responsible
6:00 PM	Welcome	Kevin Atherton
6:05 PM	Safety Message	Kevin Atherton
6:10 PM	Approval of Previous Minutes	
6:15 PM	Committee representation and membership discussion	
6:25 PM	Update from Teck and Atco <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current Status• Future Occupancy Projections	Barry Duff/Ken timlin

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What Contractors/Project • Feedback Received • Key Performance Indivators 	
6:50 PM	Round Table	All
7:00 PM	Adjournment	Kevin Atherton

Meeting Minutes

Welcome and Introductions

Safety Share
 Awareness of risk for older adults. There will be a “see something, say something” presentation in Elkford on June 8 at 6:30 by the BC Association of Community Response Networks

Approval of Previous Minutes
 Carried

Committee representation and membership discussion
 Steve: Appreciates the committee as a place to bring up issues before they damage relationships. It is hard to get participation but that shows that the lodge is good in the community. In favour of keeping committee going.
 Rory: There is a sub-committee of council for housing and there may be some connections and overlap with that. We may want to consider combining some elements but Teck is not looking to change the mandate.
 Steve: They are not the same, and disagrees that there is overlap. This is about temporary accommodations and the council sub-committee is about housing for those who want to live here.
 Kevin: Supports the committee but wishes we had more representation.

Teck and Atco Update
 Slide Deck Notes:

- Improvements to the earth berm – landscaping option final plan under development.
- Working with the District of Elkford and Teck Procurement so that work can be scheduled and completed prior to the summer.
- Stain to be applied to the plug-in rail and painting/staining of the parking lot light standards beginning June 13.
- ATCO continues to support local groups, school breakfast/lunch programs.
- Elk Valley Lodge current occupancy is 164 Contractors and 18 support staff for a total of 182 residents
- During the peak periods June, July, August and September, the Lodge occupancy forecast is indicating approximately 300-400 residents.

Barry: Opening up to more smaller projects now and two local contractors are looking into using the lodge (followed up on concern from last meeting).
 Rory: Thanks Steve for bringing that concern to our attention last meeting.
 Kevin: When does the permit expire?
 Barry: October 2024
 Kevin: Has there been feedback from hotels om opening lodge to local contractors?
 Rory: There has not been feedback this year. It sounds like the two contractors could not secure other accommodations.

Kevin: When the lodge started it was for major projects.

Rory: We are getting feedback now that contractors are desperate for accommodations but we have to keep to what was agreed to in the permit.

Kevin: What are some of the major projects now?

Barry: Tailings, Harmer Relocation, Harmer Dam, Swift Water.

Rory: talked to TC energy because they are putting in a pipeline for the next two years and they are trying to get accommodations in the valley as well which pushes smaller Teck projects to the lodge.

Kevin: Any other feedback?

Rory: Not about the lodge, most about dust and dirty vehicles.

Kevin: Any updates on performance indicators?

Rory: were hoping to capture from ancillary services but they have been unable to attend.

Barry: The district has been notified but Elk Valley Point is being reshingled.

Round Table

Jeremy: The new housing committee has 5 item action plan and one is to encourage broadening use of the camp.

Action Item Teck to update Jason and Craig on steps taken to expand use of the lodge.

Jeremy: A report to council is coming soon. The chamber of Commerce is planning a clean-up week June 11-18.

Steve: Ongoing concern is speed and dangerous driving on highway 42

Kevin: Playground zone in Elkford is also a concern.

Adjournment

Next Meeting is August 29 in person with a zoom option.