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Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name: Elkford Community Effects and Advisory Committee
Date: September 19, 2019
Time: 5:00 – 7:00PM
Location: Elkford Community Conference Centre
Next Meeting: October 21, 2019 – 5:00PM-7:00PM (New Location)

Attendees:

Name	Affiliation
Nic Milligan Destiny Allen-Green Robert Rowe Ryan Stewart Suzanne Stier	Teck
Kathryn Kitt Chelan Barnes Michele Schalekamp Loriann Hucik Claire Kitt Kim Bauer	Community of Elkford
Shawna Bryant	Elkford Chamber of Commerce
John Leitao Marc Marion	ATCO
Duncan McDonald Terry Melcer Jesse Huisman	District of Elkford

Agenda:

Time	Item
5 Minutes	Introduction & Safety Message
5 Minutes	New Agenda Items
10 Minutes	Review of August 19 th Minutes
30 Minutes	New Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feedback Review• New Agenda Items

40 Minutes	Indicator Review
10 Minutes	Review of Action Items
15 Minutes	Public Feedback
5 Minutes	Next Meeting: TBD

Action Items:

Item	Responsibility	Timing
Provide an update on contractor participation on the committee	Ryan/Robert	October meeting
Bring Lodge feedback to the committee for review	Nic/ DOE	Next meeting (recurring)
Provide update on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # of workers at the lodge and # of them working specifically on FRO AWTP • # of residence requests from non-project related workers 	ATCO	Next meeting (recurring)
Develop medical FAQs poster board (s) for the Lodge	Leala/Destiny	November meeting
Design an indicator dashboard and circulate	Nic /Destiny	October meeting
Provide a list of Lodge approved contractors	Ryan/Robert	Prior to October meeting
Share the Lodge Community Coordinator contact info with the District, the Chamber and Teck	ATCO	Prior to October meeting
Share the Lodge approved projects presentation with the committee	Nic/Destiny	Prior to October meeting

Summary of Discussion:

Meeting Minutes
<p>Safety Share – Worldwide Suicide Prevention Day</p> <p>Last week there was an incident at the Lodge where community services were deployed. Workmates of a particular individual reached out for services due to concerns about the mental health and potentially suicidal behaviour they had observed of their co-worker. RCMP responded.</p> <p>Remember a kind word can go a long way and pay attention to those around you for signs of mental health challenges.</p>
<p>New Agenda Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A discussion of the Lodge Open House feedback was added to the meeting’s agenda.

Review of August 19th Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes will not be reviewed in detail going forward, committee members will bring any concerns with the previous meeting's minutes to be addressed.

No concerns regarding the August 19th meeting minutes were raised.

Decision: August 19th meeting minutes were accepted by the committee.

New Business

Feedback Review:

- There has been no formal feedback received through Teck's feedback mechanism.
 - feedbackteckcoal@teck.com
 - 1.855.806.6854
- There is a mineworker who recently returned to the area that has noticed that while driving into town in the mornings there are more vehicles, often with out-of-province license plates, passing other vehicles. This may be related to the Lodge traffic.
- Provided by Leala via-email: Subjectively, the ER numbers are rising with many low acuity visits self-reporting from the lodge.

New Agenda Items – Lodge Open House Feedback:

- We received a question at the Open House about the amount of property taxes the Lodge pays and the individual expressed some concerns with potential traffic increases etc. The individual was directed to submit their feedback via Teck's feedback mechanism.
- The Open House was attended by upwards of 100 people, 120 went on a tour of the Lodge.
- Generally, the feedback at the event was very positive. Many individuals were pleasantly surprised with the cleanliness, and the aesthetic appeal of the Lodge.
- The Chamber received only positive feedback about the Open House.
- There was a lot of dialogue between the community and ATCO staff.
- Facebook feedback on the event was positive.
- A suggestion was made that the committee consider hosting other Open Houses on a regular basis as they provide a good outreach opportunity.

Indicator Review

The committee-selected indicators were reviewed since additional health care indicators were included based on a suggestion made by Leala.

New healthcare indicators were highlighted and discussed by the committee.

- There have been some challenges between employers and contractors staying at the Lodge as Teck is not paying living out allowances and therefore employers are not providing living out allowances in return.
- The lack of living out allowances has resulted in some contractors visiting the ER and complaining about nutritional issues at the Lodge in order to be no longer required to eat at the Lodge.
- A question was raised as to whether or not the Lodge residents know they have access to the local clinic for non-emergent needs rather than overloading the ER.
 - ATCO shared that the workers do know about the clinic in town and are directed there by the Lodge medic if attention is needed that surpasses the mandate of the Lodge team.
- A question was raised as to whether or not there is more that can be done at the Lodge to inform the workers about the clinic and other medical services.
 - Putting together a poster answering some FAQs and providing information on the location and hours of medical services (clinic, pharmacy etc.) was suggested.
 - **Action Item:** Leala to draft some FAQs and responses for an informative poster for the Lodge on local medical services. Including some information geared towards out-of-province Lodge residents.
- The committee discussed perhaps reaching out to employers to encourage them to inform their contractors of available medical services etc. prior to their arrival in the area.
- A challenge with local doctors being full and not accepting additional patients and subsequently resulting in referrals to the ER was raised by a committee member.

Action Item: Teck to design an indicator dashboard and circulate to the committee.

Review of August 19th Action Items

The previous action item to 'invite a contractor to participate on the committee' remains outstanding as the invitation has been extended but there has been no response to date.

- This action item remains active awaiting a response from the contractors and an update at the next meeting.

There has been no feedback received through Teck's feedback mechanism to date.

There are currently 438 workers staying at the Lodge.

- John to get back on the number of them working on the FRO-S-AWTP.
- Tuesdays have the most turnover as most shift changes are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

All the language Teck has used to date when referring to projects qualifying contractors for Lodge residence was presented to the committee.

- A request was made for Teck to provide a list of Lodge approved contractors as well.
- There was a question raised as to whether or not changes in the amount of workers at the Lodge would fluctuate as drastically given some of the changes to project timelines.
 - Fluctuation is still expected, perhaps with less dramatic peaks and valleys.
- **Action Item:** Teck to provide the committee with a list of Lodge-approved contractors.
- **Action item:** Teck to share the Lodge-approved projects with the committee.

Nic has reached out for details on the Fernie adult registration night and is awaiting information on the event. This information may be used in order to host a similar event in Elkford in which Lodge residents could participate.

- There was a discussion of whether or not someone from the District (Rec Centre etc.) should setup an informational table at the Lodge as an alternative.
 - The ski hill is separate from the District and would need to be informed separately for them to participate.
- The potential of a partnership between the Chamber and the District in order to host this sort of event was discussed.
- The Community Coordinator position at the Lodge has been filled and would be a good contact person while this event is being developed.
 - **Action Item:** ATCO to share the Lodge Community Coordinator contact info with the District, the Chamber and Teck.

The feedback mechanism information has been shared on the Elkford Facebook page.

Public Feedback

No members of the public attended the meeting and there was no public feedback shared.

Miscellaneous

There was a suggestion made that this committee should begin to look further into the future (post-six years of the temporary use permit) to when the original lifespan of the Lodge is complete. Are there opportunities that the Lodge will present at that time which the committee should be thinking about?

- There was discussion of there having been challenges with available housing in Elkford for years.
 - The question of the potential of the Lodge providing a long-term housing solution for the community was raised.
- Concerns about the lack of housing influencing social issues (safety, property value, sense of community etc.) in the community were raised.

The lack of available housing was also raised as a challenge for Teck recruiting.

Summary of Decisions

- August 19th meeting minutes were accepted by the committee.

Next Meeting:

- October 21
- 5:00PM-7:00PM
- **District of Elkford Council Chambers** (new location)