

Summer Village of Ghost Lake Natural Environment and Lake Stewardship Committee Meeting

Saturday/ May 4, 2013
Lauststen Cabin - Ghost Lake

Committee Members:
Karen Laustsen – Co-Chair
Sheila Miller – Co-chair

Bob Miller
Bruce Lindsay

Guests:
Connie Beaton

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Notes
Saturday, June 8 th 10:00AM	Natural Environment Committee Meeting at Karen Laustsen's cabin.	

Minutes

	Agenda Item	Discussion/notes	Action/notes
1.	Call to Order and Welcome by Chair	Bruce called the meeting to order.	
2.	Approval of the Minutes	CARRIED	
3.	Actions Taken to Date	<p>3.1 <u>Erosion control</u>: Sharlene has submitted detailed notes updating progress on the Rip rap project. See attachment. Notes are included with these minutes. Edmonton Alberta Environment requires more detailed mapping. We will need to submit a digital GIS plan.</p> <p>3.2 <u>Water Testing</u> No new information.</p>	<p>Bob has indicated that he will find someone to do this mapping, but he will require the mapping that has been done up to date.</p> <p>Karen will call to finalize dates when testing will happen. (probably after the run off. Bruce has offered to</p>

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		<p>3.3 <u>Living By Water Homesite Consultation Program</u>: Consultations have been scheduled for Ghost Lake for July 25th to 27th. If need be consultations could continue August 8-10th. Five, possibly six residents will participate in the program this summer.</p> <p>3.4 <u>AMEC</u> Our contract with AMEC is over and has been signed off.</p>	<p>organize the volunteers. Bruce will contact Sharon and Warren to get announcements out regarding this activity.</p> <p>Sheila will continue with scheduling.</p>
	<p>4. Projects Underway</p>	<p>4.1 <u>Spring Clean Up</u> Spring Clean Up has been scheduled for May 25th. An announcement will be sent out via Sharon as the date approaches. One of the main areas to be cleaned up is the trail that goes through the trees past the boat storage area. This area needs dead branches and trees picked up and will take a good number of volunteers to do it properly. Bob will park his trailer at the north side of the woods where the branches etc. can be dumped.</p> <p>4.2 <u>Lake Stewardship Group</u> Bob has successfully completed a title search for the newly formed stewardship group. It will be called 'The Ghost Lake Stewardship Society' and will have members from a number of Ghost Lake and Ghost River stakeholders. Stewardship Groups have full support of the Provincial Gov't. Stewardship Groups are involved in many water issues such as water quality in both lakes and rivers, agriculture and water, oil and gas near water, recreation and water quality, and education regarding the protection of our water resources.</p> <p>4.3 <u>Planting of trees</u> Connie has a number of pine trees that could be planted out in the village. Some thought needs to be given as to where these trees might be planted and how they will be maintained.</p>	<p>Sheila will notify Sharon to make announcements and talk to some villagers about bringing trucks and trailers to haul out the branches.</p> <p>Bob will continue to work and plan for the Stewardship Group and keep us informed.</p>

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	5. Other Actions Required	<p>5.1 <u>Fishing Huts</u> There has been an ongoing problem of garbage and debris collecting around fishing huts on the ice during winter months. This has been compounded by the fact that a complete hut was left on the ice and is sinking as the ice melts. This could cause serious problems for boaters this summer. Karen has contacted Fish and Wildlife and will follow up to discuss the matter. In the meantime the hut will have to be hauled out of the water. Bob suggested that both AUMA and ASVA be contacted regarding this issue as well as our MP Ron Casey.</p>	Bob will organize letter campaign.
	6. Adjournment	6.1 Motion to adjourn: Bruce Lindsay, Seconded: Sheila Miller CARRIED	