

**BOUCHIE LAKE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN  
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING #8**

File No: 6520-30-02

Meeting Date: March 22, 2022

Location: via Teleconference & at Bouchie Lake Hall

Present via telephone: Nigel Whitehead, Manager of Planning Services; Peggy Smith; Elizabeth Montgomery

Present at Hall: Area B Director Barb Bachmeier; Robert Ross; Sybille Muschik; Stan Hall; Dean Caine; Neil MacDougall

Regrets: Stephanie Hanes; Tony McHale

**The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am**

N. Whitehead reviewed provincial referral responses. Responses received from Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Agricultural Land Commission, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries, Recreation Sites and Trails BC, and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI).

N. Whitehead discussed some of the issues of concern by agencies, including ALC request to remove identification of suggested parcels to remove and bring in to the ALR; MOTI and RSTBC lack of interest in proposed Milburn Lake access responsibility; MOTI rejections of some of the proposed traffic calming and pedestrian safety suggestions. N. Whitehead will work on text revisions as necessary, soften language and/or recognize agency dissent where appropriate.

N. Whitehead discussed public open house planned for April 30. Staff have developed full communications plan including social media, posters, news release, and neighbourhood mailout.

Committee discussed increased real estate interest since COVID-19 pandemic started. N. Whitehead indicated that latest census only catches the very early stages of pandemic related changes, but will look at recognizing sense of increased real estate interest in the plan area. Will look to update some of the demographic tables where possible.

Committee discussed concern around forestry on crown land within and surrounding the plan area. N. Whitehead informed that local governments have little if any control or influence on Crown forestry activities, but will look to add some high level language in the plan.

Director Bachmeier, S. Muschik, and E. Montgomery indicated availability to attend open house. Others will visit as available.

Final Draft of plan to be published first week of April, paper copies will be made available to committee members.

**Adjournment 10:55 am**