

**MINUTES OF THE
KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
FIRESMART COMMITTEE**

Meeting Number 14

**September 5, 2012
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Kananaskis Improvement District Council Chambers

Present:

Chair: Jamie Tiessen Chair

Recorder: Martin Corriveau Kananaskis Emergency Services

Members:

Rod Gow	TPR- Parks Kananaskis Country
Rick Arthur	SRD – Forestry
Kevin Topolnicki	SRD - Forestry
Derek Small	Kananaskis Lower Lakes Cabin/Pocaterra Residents
Jon Jorgenson	SRD – Fish and Wildlife
Connie Neilson	Bow Valley/Evan Thomas Resident

Regrets:

	Delta hotel
Stew Walkinshaw	Montane Forest Management

Guests: Richard Paton New committee Member for SRD - Forestry

Agenda Item	Committee Discussion	Action Assigned To	Due Date	Action Completed (Yes/No)
1. Call to Order/Site Introduction/ Orientation	Jamie Tiessen welcomed the committee. Start time 09:30 hours			
2. Review of Agenda	Approved with no changes			
3. Previous Minutes	Approved with no changes			
4. Review of Action Items Stewardship	<p>Due dates reassigned or noted as completed.</p> <p>(Inside lot or lease boundary) Develop a home owner checklist as part of a public awareness campaign that can aid home owners in simple steps they can take each year. Examples include: chimney sweep, needles collection and disposal, roof / gutter cleaning, general limbing and disposal.</p> <p>(Outside lot or lease boundary) Develop the approval process in which a resident can apply for a permit from the land manager in order to conduct FireSmart cleaning. This process has been completed and will be discussed again at the Feb 2013 meeting where it will be finally removed from the action item list</p> <p>A communications strategy must be created and both processed shall be posted to the KID website. FireSmart Committee members are encouraged to support the new tree flagging process and encourage their stakeholder groups to start using the new forms which will be posted to the KDI website under the FireSmart tab.</p>	<p>Corriveau</p> <p>Polley</p>	<p>COMPLETE</p>	
Outstanding Action Items	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Derek Small requested a discussion about maintenance of completed fuel modification projects. An action item was created to develop a code of practice that can be applied to all projects that looks at annual minor through major maintenance. Update the communications strategy with residents and local stakeholders 	<p>Rick Arthur</p>		

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FireSmart Vegetation Management Maintenance	<p>3. Establish a system that allows for a consistent approach to receive an approval from TPR for residents living on TPR leases to conduct FireSmart fuel modifications (COMPLETED SEE ATTACHMENTS). FireSmart Committee to establish a consistent process to allow interested owners / residents to conduct FireSmart activities in zone 1 areas on TPR controlled leased lands. The approval process will be similar to the current structure the stakeholders have agreed upon in the Lower Lakes Cabin Association leases.</p>	Rick to get written approval for these items		
5. KC Prescribed Fire Program	<p>Rick Arthur provided an update to,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evan Thomas (completed) 2. Buller Mountain (during the weekend if no rain) 3. Galatea proposed Prescribed Fire Programs (in 3 to 4 years) 	None		
6. 2012 Community Events	<p>LKLCA Derek Small is working on a potential spring and end of summer event for this year to include FireSmart activities, Hazmat roundup and KID provides information regarding the propane tank safety initiative</p> <p>Discussion of Sheprdia removal Lower lake cabins THIS TO BE INCLUDED AS A CONDITION ON THE FIRESMART FUEL REDUCTION AND LOA APPROVAL</p> <p>Committee suggested that a focus on LKLCA, Kananaskis Village, Mt. Kidd / KCGC, Tim Horton Ranch and Rocky Mountain YMCA be the focus this year and the goal was to engage the community at these locations to build on the opportunity to maintain a healthy forest, have fun and an opportunity to get together.</p>	None Corriveau		
7. FireSmart flagging / clean	<p>Completion of maintenance model for KID, complete with the project and approval to KID council for November (WILL NEED TO GET TO KID COUNCIL</p>	Rick Arthur		

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up / Maintenance	<p>AGENDA AND MARCH KCICC AGENDA'S</p> <p>Understanding that everyone is ok with maintenance on dead and down and broken trees, Rick to follow with written confirmation</p>			
8. Community Firesmart Grant Application	<p>Update needs to be provided by Stew and discussion to be had with Firesmart Committee. Submission Due September 24, 2012.</p> <p>Firesmart Committee recommends to council:</p> <p>Camp Cadicasu / Camp Adventure Fuel Modification Project 1 – Camp Adventure complete 5.1ha of fuels modification, surrounding the camp as per recommendations from the Kananaskis Improvement District (KID) Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Plan (2008) and; Project 2 - Camp Cadicasu complete 5.2ha of fuel modification, surrounding the camp as per recommendations from KID WUI Plan (2008).</p>	Stew/ Shawn/ Martin	COMPLETE	
9. CFS Project	Completion of Cadicasu and portion od Camp Adventure (wood chipping)	Martin / Stew	June 27, 2012	YES
10. Trust Study Workshop	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attendees and location to be confirmed 2. Will be held at the Delta 3. Discussion held on who else could or should attend 4. Kevin reviewed the plan and encourage new stakeholders to attend 	POLLEY POLLEY TIESEN	June 27, 2012 June 27, 2012 COMPLETE	
11. Discussion of Emergency Preparedness exercises	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. More need for preparedness and exercises needed. (table top exercise) 2. Wants to do 3 or 4 in the management area 3. Everyone interested including KID council and Firesmart 		ASSIGN DATES	
12. Wildland Fire Canada conference	<p>Dates are October 2 -4, 2012 at the Delta Lodge at Kananaskis.</p> <p>Jamie Tiessen to request funding assistance from KID Council for non-government FireSmart committee members to cover cost of conference as</p>		COMPLETE	

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	well as accommodation fees. Fees are \$439 plus accommodation, KID council approves 4 funded spots if needed.			
13. Summary Action items				
11. Next Meeting Date & Time	Date: Nov 21, 2012 Time: 9:30 a.m. Location: Kananaskis Improvement District Council Chambers			

 JAMIE TIESSEN
 CHAIR KID FIRESMART COMMITTEE

 DATE