



# WHISTLER

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF WHISTLER BEAR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AUGUST 10, 2016, STARTING AT 8:30 A.M.

In the Decker Room, RMOW Public Works Yard

8020 Nesters Road, Whistler, BC V0N 1B8

#### PRESENT:

Co-Chair, RMOW, H. Beresford  
Co-Chair, Get Bear Smart, S. Dolson  
Carney's Waste Systems, P. Kindree  
RMOW Bylaw Services, C. Riess  
AWARE/C2C Grizzly Bear Initiative, C. Ruddy

Bear Smart Program Assistant, Recording Secretary, A. Paris

#### REGRETS:

RMOW Councillor S. Maxwell  
Conservation Officer Service, Sgt. S. Gravel  
Whistler Blackcomb, A. DeJong  
Member at Large, N. Fitzgerald  
Member at Large, C. Hedderson  
RCMP, Sgt. R. Knapton

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by C. Riess  
Seconded by P. Kindree

**That** Whistler Bear Advisory Committee adopt the Whistler Bear  
Advisory Committee agenda of August 10th, 2016.

CARRIED

#### ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by P. Kindree  
Seconded by C. Ruddy

**That** Whistler Bear Advisory Committee adopt the Regular  
Whistler Bear Advisory Committee minutes of July 13, 2016.

CARRIED

## VERBAL REPORTS

Conservation Officer Service	N/A
RMOW Bylaw Services	<p>A discussion led by C. Riess regarding RMOW Bylaw Services activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 5 garbage calls in July, none accessed by wildlife.</li><li>• Response to accessible bin at Hilton. Not meant for food waste. Carney's provided service and will monitor.</li></ul>
RCMP	N/A
Carney's Waste Services	<p>A discussion led by P. Kindree regarding Carney's Waste Services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Some buildings require a bin truck to arrive before the front loader garbage truck and move the garbage bin from its storage area to an accessible location. Examples, Milestones and Nita Lake Lodge. Provides opportunity for bears to access bin. Nita Lake Lodge bin has been replaced.</li><li>• COS and RMOW have provided conflicting direction to Carney's on how to manage these sites.</li></ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Carney's requests clear direction from RMOW and COS for managing sites that are inaccessible to front loader truck.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pemberton Music Festival waste management was largely improved compared to 2015.</li><li>• Whistler events have been going well.</li><li>• Discussed cub death during relocation at Ironman. Noted that RMOW paid for a family bear trap location but its location is unknown at this time. Follow up with COS.</li><li>• Add a special events debrief to October agenda.</li></ul>
AWARE	<p>A discussion led by C. Ruddy regarding AWARE activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Garbage room tour with infrastructure services and planning</li><li>• 5 waste stations at Crankworx contracted to AWARE</li><li>• Gillian Woodward is the new RMOW Manager of Solid Waste and Transportation. She is responsible for the Garbage Disposal Bylaw update.</li></ul>
Coast to Cascades Grizzly Bear Initiative	<p>A discussion led by C. Ruddy regarding Coast to Cascade Grizzly Bear Initiative activities</p>

- Student working on GIS interactive grizzly bear story map
- Wedge parking lot camping, provincial compliance officer's jurisdiction. Monitoring and will get cleaned up.
- Wood fibre LNG plant and pipeline. GBI commented during public comment period.

#### RMOW

A discussion led by H. Beresford regarding bear response plan

- Planning next meeting
- Created an internal emergency response protocol with RMOW Emergency Management, COS and Bylaw.
- For the "No Go Zone" definition and map, refer to the October 2009 "Human-Bear Conflict Management Plan for Resort Municipality of Whistler, BC" by Maggie M. Paquet.
- Review and revision of draft Conflict Management Plan recommendations
- P. Kindree shared info re: planting trees along Callaghan road

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by P. Kindree

**That** the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee adjourn the August 10, 2016 Whistler Bear Advisory Committee meeting at 10:35 a.m.

CARRIED

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CHAIR: Heather Beresford

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RECORDING SECRETARY: Anitra Paris