



The Corporation of the Municipality of Red Lake  
Truth & Reconciliation Committee Meeting  
MINUTES

November 2, 2023 at 12:00 pm – Municipal Office

Members Present:

Peter Campbell	Member
Janet Hager	Deputy Mayor/Member
Leslie King	Member
Fred Mota	Member
Nancy Phillips	Member
Trilbee Stirling-Kattler	Interim CAO

Absent:

Kaaren Dannenmenn	Member
Alana Keesic	Member
Lorna Kobelka	Member

Brenda Gignac                      Recording Secretary

Patrick Hunter                      Guest (electronic participation)

1. Welcoming

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

1.1 Land Acknowledgement Statement

We, the Municipality of Red Lake acknowledge that our foundation and the spaces in which we live and maintain are on the lands of the Anishinaapek of Red Lake; the traditional lands of Lac Seul and Wabauskang First Nations, and Treaty 3 Territory. As we are all Treaty people, we will continue to cherish the reciprocity of all our relationships on these sacred Lands and Waters.

2. Review/Approval of August 28, 2023 meeting minutes

It was:

Moved by Leslie King  
Seconded by Peter Campbell  
(TR-18-23)

RESOLVED that the Truth and Reconciliation Committee hereby approves the Minutes of a Meeting held September 25, 2023, as presented.

**CARRIED**

### 3. Old Business

#### 3.1 Signage

##### 3.1.1 Land Acknowledgement Plaque for Airport

Staff reported that the plaque is too large for the original planned location. Staff was directed to look at other locations for consideration.

##### 3.1.2 Welcome Highway Signage Design Options

This item was discussed later in the meeting.

#### 3.2 Goals for Calls to Action

The Chair advised that a Trapper's Festival is being planned for 2025. It was noted this festival could offer an opportunity for further public education. It was suggested that perhaps this festival could be combined with the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Gold Rush. This item is to remain on the Agenda for further discussion.

#### 3.3 Norseman Park Plaque

Nothing at this time.

#### 3.4 Teepee Request

Nothing at this time.

Patrick Hunter joined the meeting at 12:34 p.m.

##### 3.1.2 Welcome Highway Signage Design Options

The Chair welcomed Patrick Hunter to the meeting. The Chair thanked Patrick for all his work and efforts in the past and his time to review design and location of the welcome sign. Discussion was held regarding the proposed location of the welcome sign being two kilometers south of the Highway 105 / Highway 125 junction (Harry's Corner). It was suggested that a more suitable location may be at Harry's Corner and placed on the current stone base. This location would allow for visitors to pull off on to the paved parking area for a rest and photo opportunities, etc. It was further noted that the map that is currently at this location is also well received, not only for way finding within the community, but also for photo opportunities.

Patrick Hunter left the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Nancy Phillips joined the meeting at 12:51 p.m.

Members agreed with Patrick's suggestion regarding Harry's Corner location.

Staff was directed to MTO requirements with having both signs at this location.

Staff was directed to ask Patrick to provide an updated design with a canoe on top of the stone and resize and move some of the welcome wording. Staff was directed to obtain two quotes from Timber Signs once the updated design is received.

Members were asked to visit Harry's Corner location before the next meeting.

### 3.5 Committee Membership Composition

Discussion was held regarding increasing the committee composition to allow for participation by Mark Vermette in his new role as CEO of Shared Spirits Limited Partnership Inc. It was noted that increasing the composition would also increase the number required for quorum. It was suggested he could also be invited to participate as an ex-officio member. Staff was directed contact M. Vermette to confirm in what capacity he would like to participate.

## 4. New Business

### 4.1 Treaty Recognition Week – November 5-11, 2023

It was noted that the Sara Mainville presentations were valuable educational opportunities intended to bring attention to Treaty Recognition week. Staff was directed to publicly acknowledge the Treaty Recognition Week via social media and on the digital sign.

## 5. Agenda items for next meeting

- Welcome Sign
- Goals for Calls to Action
- Norseman Park Plaque
- Teepee Request
- Committee Composition
- Trapper's Festival
- Anicinaabe Park Occupation of 1974
- Cradleboard Exhibit

6. Next meeting – December 12, 2023

7. Adjournment

It was:

Moved by Janet Hager

Seconded by Trilbee Stirling-Kattler

(TR-19-23)

RESOLVED that the Truth and Reconciliation Committee hereby adjourns the meeting of November 2, 2023 at 1:24 p.m.

**CARRIED**

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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Mayor Fred Mota

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Recording Secretary