

September 29, 2016 @ 5:00PM  
VGFN community meeting

Agenda:

1. Opening prayer – Lorraine Netro
2. Dinner
3. Opening comments – Chief Bruce Charlie
  - Trip to Arctic Village no final report
  - All the cost is from YTG
  - Three council members went and a group of youth
  - Klo Kut projects, how was it run, it was paid by funding money
  - YTG paid the coordinators
  - VGFN met with 5 YTG officials of the social dept. last month; they also met with Miranda and Michelle
  - They will concentrate on our community and they will help us with everything they could
  - Crisis response team; if you want to be a part of this team; come by; things like fire, floods, landslide
  - Regional director of INAC was to our community; unfortunately there was a death in the community and we had to cancel; programs, services and funding, I got good info on OC accessing funding
  - In the next month C&C are planning a special General Assembly to update you on your investment money; Right now there are three separate trust group; will keep you informed.
  - The chief made 2 appointments to the VGLP board; we want community members to sit on this board; we have two of their entities in Old Crow, porcupine enterprise and tank farm;
  - As of September 1 we attained a new deputy Chief; Esau Schafer is now the deputy chief; we also made portfolio changes;
  - C&C sat down together for about four hours with Andy Nieman facilitating to build a professional working relationship between C&C; we all agreed that we will work together as a team
  - We have another situation with a member of council; we want to meet with elders tomorrow at 2:00PM; I want to stress that we need your help the elders;
  - The constitution is not completes and it gives us a limited amount of how we work. We need to deal with this really soon
  - On another report one of our members came home and he wants to come back and work with our language; build a small culture camp to speak language only, Henry Nukon.

- RCMP stopped vehicle on road; and he couldn't charge them; YTG exempted 9 communities on ATV; our next step is hold YTG accountable and bring them here and work on it; I will YTG and get them to finish the motors vehicles act
- Negotiations is ongoing

#### 4. Councilor Dana Tizya-Tramm

- We are coming into four months; there is an amazing amount of work to do; proud of Bruce and coworkers;
- We have trouble getting people on our committees; I want to get youth onto the boards; I am looking for anyone for Gwitchin Steering Committee and Peel watershed
- ATV it's important to let the Government of Yukon look after this; it will probably take them awhile; if VGG take it over and anything happens we will be liable
- Issues around the health centre; supplies; alcohol and drugs;
- Michelle Belmont does good work; Innovation funding
- Created 100,000, 30,000 for elder care
- Bring \$, accts and projects up to date
- ADS starting next month; see Kyla for that; gain tools; programming is running very good; intergovernmental relationships; salvation army
- Michelle is going out next week to meet with the feds
- We are looking to programs for our Whitehorse citizens as well
- Miranda in education now and she is doing a lot;
- We sat with Yukon Government and Yukon College; YTG has a work exchange program; Chapter 22 implementation; with the Yukon College offering a fund just for Old Crow for any VGFN to finish high school;
- The Government Language initiatives; Feds are making a huge contribution towards this
- Special projects: Save our money and use outside money as much as possible. Esau developed a working group; Development entity \$250,000. Just to build a building to house tourism activity
- Tourism-wash houses, washroom, coffee house, laundry
- Putting up the multi centre; confusion around this; we are looking into the proper foundation with zeda;
- Elder trip to Crow Flat with Rick Nelson; unfortunately having problems with airplane; now we are looking to the spring time to fly the elders out to crow flat
- Move on to NR; I been approach by elders and let the hunters to leave the first coming caribou alone; if we bother the others won't follow
- The next week we will be starting a 30,000. On solar Project to do a film; we like to produce a 4 minutes film; 2.4 m will be raised
- I will be travelling Oct 5 to 16

- Speak on my project youth of the peel in San Francisco
- We set up a working group for the porcupine caribou 1002 lands; Gwitchin from Alaska and NWT
- We had two Whitehorse citizens apply for traditional pursuits and they do not qualify; traditional pursuit went over budget the past 3 years
- Northern cross: engagement strategies; consultations process
- Yukon file is under review; stand together when we are dealing with Northern Cross;
- The Heritage Act will be pass soon; Trondek has passed thiers and got national coverage/attention
- Land slide issues; haven't heard to much about it from citizens; two landslides slowly happening; Peter Abel house and the road to the mountain by ski lodge, was done by firesmart
- The fisheries act is being revised; revitalize the FA to protect fish, waters ect.
- Biennial Gwitchin report will be done by Monday; come into my office if you would like to see; 50,000. From YTG for Arctic Village Gathering

#### 5. Councilor Paul Josie

- Contamination soil around the health center, YTG responsibilities but good to keep updated;
- The lagoon in talk of planning to upgrade; right now they doing some test
- North road houses; we are getting 10 lights installed
- Looking into some minor renos; looking at starting with 20 homes; regarding molds
- Budget from FTA only got 50,0000.
- Been concerns regarding porcupine and expenses; has to be looked at by VGLP
- Get the trail by the ski lodge to the mountain fixed
- IS; computer use policy we are going to update; Paul Doehle going to have it ready for C&C for approval
- Engineer will be coming to Old Crow next week to fix Chon FM
- Hpylori; continue research on people that had hpylori; she will be coming back October 14 to 24; doing hair sample testing;
- Conference call with Minister of sports and disabilities; funding access to use; medical supplies; escort;

Bruce: at the biennial gathering the youth just took over; we got a good team up there; we need more resources to do more work; we need all the community support we can get

## 6. Rebecca Shrubbs

- Introduce self; been here a month; husband Aaron; been hired as the policy communication for Chief and Council;
- I am still getting up to speed on everything
- The past five years I worked for a consulting company based out of Ottawa;
- I'm from a small farming community in Ontario

## 7. Community Concern

- Approach the coop board of directors;
- Has there been appointments made? Who? Peter Frost and Brenda Frost
- Has our role change with CYFN? Peter Johnston Relooking terms of reference; so VGFN can rejoin and still retain our voice;
- We will do another special GA to change the constitution; this has been contracted to Barb Joe
- Barb Joe set a date of November 21 to have the first draft done of the constitution
- There was lot of talk about the prenable section in the heritage act was this done? Yes; this council did not see it yet; we are going to sit down and go over the whole document before we pass it
- Any update on the church? No gov't can get involve with religion; make it difficult; I believe there is 60,000. Release from our entities to the church group; they don't have enough money to build; we are talking about moving the old northern store down there and they can utilize it;

Miranda: update on Education Dept. renovation to the youth center; the health inspector came and had a lot of request as well; everything has been order and we are ready to go; no longer specific to youth; We have funding for a teacher for fiddle lessons; we want to have gwitchin language classes; cooking; we are setting up the radio station; Samantha Frost and Ty Kassi is our new staff; met with a lot of people in whse; Glenna is gathering the parents in Whse to share the services we offer; Chiefs idea is we're going to take six of the youth from CZGS to the dreams conference in Edmonton;

8. Closing comments

- Kyla Ross - orange shirt day is tomorrow and it is to recognize the residential school survivors;
- Another event coming up is October 4; missing and murdered indigenous girls; Lorraine will hold something here in Old Crow
- Kathie Nukon on meeting the royals;

9. Next public meeting will be held on October 27 @ 5:00PM