

**AGENDA**  
**COMMUNITY TRANSITION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)**  
**8:00 a.m. Extension Office Conference, Whitehall**  
Thursday, February 13, 2019

The CTAC meeting was held in the Borden's conference room. Attendees were Tom Harrington, Alison Richardson, Gerry Keogh, Tim Blake, Bandi Sparks, Cole Mack, Katy James, Chuck Buus, Tim Blake, John Kreis, Bruce Binkowski, Jerry Muethling, Jack Smith, Tim Mulligan, and Hannah Nieskens.

1. Meeting started at 8:00 a.m. followed by introductions.
2. January minutes were approved.
3. **GSM Operations**: Chuck B. presented
  - a. **Safety Report** - No reportable injuries for November, two years without a reportable injury and approaching three years. No spills or environmental issues.
  - b. **Current Operations and GSM Update** – Working infrastructure upgrades. Working on an updated district geology map
  - c. **Employment Status** -20 FTE and 12 FTE contractors.
  - d. **Exploration Update** – Deferring drilling on TSF2.
  - e. **Concentrator Project**- Chuck B. reported engineering and permitting work is underway. Corporate presentation was held and a follow up will be in April. A North America mine closure strategy session will be held at GSM.
  - f. **Infrastructure Updates** – New pumps have been installed in pond for freshwater system. Finishing up installation of Wi-Fi for automation and monitoring of operations on a 24/7 basis.
4. **GSM Environmental Update** – Jerry M. Presented
  - a. **Permit Updates** – Tailings reprocessing permit in progress.
  - b. **Reclamation Update** – Reclamation work is ongoing on the east side of property.
  - c. **Closure Planning**- Plan expected September 2020 From Barrick. Corporate sustainability personnel will be at March CTAC to discuss mine closure planning process. They will be attending the Chamber Black Tie event
  - d. **Other Items**- Wind event with 65 mph winds occurred at the site causing dust. Reviewing planting and application of dust retardant to mitigate dust challenges.
5. **Sunlight Business Park Update** –Tim B shared LGT is working on 3 small test turbines. Discussed the hydrogen development opportunity at the site. Chuck mentioned the MRI article on hydrogen and indicated he would like to hear more on the potential at the business park.
6. **Town of Whitehall Update**- Katy J. reported on current activities. Looking at contract garbage collection. Water treatment plan is moving forward. Chip seal contract for roads is in the works.
7. **Whitehall Schools Update**- Finalizing the activities 2021 calendar. Approved adding a golf program as part of the athletics program. Wrestlers are participating at State and district basketball is next week. School enrollments are doing well.
8. **Whitehall Chamber of Commerce Update** – John K. Black Tie Blue Jeans, with roaring 20's theme, planning is progressing. Easter egg hunt planning is ongoing. Working on community center bathroom upgrades.
9. **Jefferson County Commission/Events**- Bruce B. shared event planning is ongoing and there is a busy season ahead. Meat processing feasibility study is moving forward. Legacy Center feasibility draft report is being finalized. MDC reutilization planning is progressing.
10. **Pipestone Creek Sedimentation/Jefferson Slough Project Update** – Pipestone creek redesign is under review. Jefferson Slough next project phase is in design. A public meeting on the Jefferson River water study was well attended and provided good information on ground and surface water interactions.
11. **Fish, Wildlife and Parks Update** – Discussed the hunting regulation public meeting was well attended and good input was provided. Discussed grizzly bears have been sighted in the area and to think safety when recreating.
12. **Other Items of Discussion/Next Meeting Date August** – Alison shared JLDC member drive has started. The social media marketing class was well attended, and good comments were received from participants.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m. and the next meeting is set for March 11, 2020.