

AGENDA
COMMUNITY TRANSITION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)
8:00 a.m. Extension Office Conference, Whitehall
Thursday, November 14, 2019

The CTAC meeting was held in the Borden's conference room. Attendees were Tom Harrington, Gerry Keogh, Roy McBride, Lee Good, Chuck Buus, Hannah Nieskens, John Kreis, Bruce Binkowski, Paul Babb, Jack Smith, Nick Hensleigh, Leonard Wortman, Tim Mulligan, and Gena Nellis.

1. Meeting started at 8:02 a.m. followed by introductions.
2. October minutes were approved.
3. **GSM Operations**: Chuck B. presented
 - a. **Safety Report** - No reportable injuries for October. No spills or environmental issues.
 - b. **Current Operations and GSM Update** – Winterizing facility underway.
 - c. **Employment Status** -20 FTE and 20 FTE contractors.
 - d. **Exploration Update** – no report
 - e. **Concentrator Project**- Chuck B. reported work continues detailed engineering and scopes of work and that final financial approval for the project will be considered once all the other preliminary work is complete. Permit work is underway with help of contractor with expected completion in January in line with company 4th quarter review.
 - f. **Infrastructure Updates** – New motor control center will be installed for fresh water system. Currently hanging Wi-Fi for automation and monitoring of operations.
4. **GSM Environmental Update** – Chuck B. Presented
 - a. **Permit Updates** – 2 permits will be needed for tailings reprocessing with public scoping and possible EIS. Should go in June-July 2020.
 - b. **Reclamation Update** – reclamation work is wrapping up for season, with approximately 75 % of areas complete. Reclamation with continue for next 3-4 years.
 - c. **Closure Planning**- Staff reduction complete, closure permit for environmental aspects still working.
 - d. **Other Items**- Equipment donations to Harrison Schools and area Search & Rescue groups.
5. **Sunlight Business Park Update** –Tom H. shared LGT working on test turbine. Two inquiries are working.
6. **Town of Whitehall Update**- Roy M. updated group regarding new employee, winterizing work, reported on recent equipment sale, water treatment plant funding update, settlement reached with chip sealing company, and reported status of new council and needed council members.
7. **Whitehall Schools Update**- Hannah N. shared enrollment is at 450, old crow's nest project underway with addition of new field lighting conduit added to project, bid for new varsity gym bleachers accepted, tennis courts will not be repaired/replaced, completed energy audit and switching to LED lighting throughout, new Christmas décor for town is ready with help of art and shop classes, and varsity gym roof has issues being addressed.
8. **Whitehall Chamber of Commerce Update** – John K. shared Christmas stroll set for December 7th and Black Tie Blue Jeans, with roaring 20's theme, slated for March 14. He also shared Alison Richardson in new Vice President.
9. **Jefferson County Commission/Events**- Bruce B. shared haunted house events in Boulder and Whitehall were big hit. He said new website and attached social media work is paying off. He reminded all groups to get their events to him for the website and local radio announcements. Leonard W. shared some information about meat processing meetings and gave update on MDC property acquisition. He also shared the Red Rocks logging program is moving forward and that the county is considering hiring a Forester with Title III funds
10. **Pipestone Creek Sedimentation/Jefferson Slough Project Update** – Leonard W. shared Pipestone creek work will go out for bid this spring.
11. **Fish, Wildlife and Parks Update** – Tom shared hunter numbers stable but harvest numbers down.
12. **Other Items of Discussion/Next Meeting Date August** – Paul Babb of NorthWestern Energy said they will be replacing street lights with new LED's. Also donating again to local food banks.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m. and the next meeting is set for December 12, 2019.