

## **ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

### **April 10, 2012**

**The Advisory Council, in conjunction with WFN Chief and Council, is continuing to lobby for the granting of the carbon tax rebate / homeowner grant to residents on WFN lands.** Currently, this rebate is provided to residents not residing on reserve lands but not to those who are. Various meetings have been held with Government representatives with correspondence being sent back and forth, including correspondence from the Premier. To date, however, no headway has been made on this issue and so the Advisory Council, along with Chief and Council, are continuing to explore options for pursuing this issue. For more information on this issue, please contact Terry Turcan, Chair of the Advisory Council, at (250) 707-1326 or [tturcan@telus.net](mailto:tturcan@telus.net).

**This year's Residents' Annual General Meeting ("AGM") has been scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup>** from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Sensisysten School Gymnasium. This is an opportunity for residents living on WFN lands to come out and meet the Chief and Council, Advisory Council and staff of WFN who will be on hand with information booths and to answer any questions that residents have. For more information on this event, please contact Terry Turcan, Chair of the Advisory Council, at 250-707-1326 or [tturcan@telus.net](mailto:tturcan@telus.net).

**The Advisory Council received an update from the Law Enforcement Officer ("LEO.")** A new officer, Wayne Murdoch, has been hired on a part-time basis for 17-1/2 hours per week. LEOs have recently been focusing, once again, on unsightly premises. For those who wish to meet and/or discuss any issues with the LEOs, they will be in attendance at the Residents' AGM on April 19<sup>th</sup>. Otherwise, they may be contacted as follows:

Dan Heaton – 250-863-8247 or [dheaton@wfn.ca](mailto:dheaton@wfn.ca).

Richard Johns – 250-717-6147 or [rjohns@wfn.ca](mailto:rjohns@wfn.ca)

Wayne Murdoch – 250-768-0227 or [wmurdoch@wfn.ca](mailto:wmurdoch@wfn.ca)

**Communities in Bloom will once again take place this year.** The Most Beautiful Contest will be held on June 20<sup>th</sup> and judges will be in town to judge the area on July 24<sup>th</sup>. In addition to these initiatives, it was recently announced that the Westside has been selected as the location for this year's Toronto Dominion Tree Planting program. Through this program, 30,000 trees will be planted in the areas that were impacted by the recent Westside fires. For more information on Communities or Bloom or to register a group or a project, please contact Jayne Fosbery, Economic Development Manager, at 250-769-2402 or [jfosbery@wfn.ca](mailto:jfosbery@wfn.ca).

**The Advisory Council will be having their semi-annual meeting with Council on April 17<sup>th</sup>** in order to discuss a number of issues impacting non-Member residents on WFN lands as well as to jointly prepare for the upcoming AGM.

**The next regular meeting of the WFN Advisory Council** will be held on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Inter-Governmental Affairs Boardroom of the WFN Government Building.