

## **ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

### **June 12, 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, including legal 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).

**In response to a request from the Friends of the Westbank Library for participation by WFN in the furnishing of the new expansion, WFN Council, with the wholehearted support of the Advisory Council has agreed to donate some artwork.** The artwork is yet to be selected by Council.

**The Advisory Council has recommended approval by WFN Council of Capital Expenditure Bylaw 12-TX-03 and Local Improvement Charge Bylaw 12-TX-04.** The first bylaw will allow for the installation of the Campbell Road Sanitary Sewer at a cost of \$400,000, due to the failing of currently installed septic systems. The second bylaw will allow for the recouping of the costs associated with this installation. For more information on these bylaws, please contact Ernest Jack, Surveyor of Taxes, at 250-769-2400 or [ejack@wfn.ca](mailto:ejack@wfn.ca).

**The Communities in Bloom ("CIB") competition will be taking place again this year.** Judges will be in town to judge the area from July 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. A wine and cheese event is scheduled for July 25<sup>th</sup> where the winners of The Most Beautiful Contest will be announced. The CIB Committee met with a former CIB judge in order to receive feedback on how this area could improve the chances for winning this year's competition. For more information on Communities or Bloom, please contact Jayne Fosbery, Economic Development Manager, at 250-769-2402 or [jfosbery@wfn.ca](mailto:jfosbery@wfn.ca) or Bonnie Semeniuk, Advisory Council representative on the CIB Committee, at 250-768-3000.

**In preparation for the CIB competition, a community clean up on Indian Reserve #10 is being planned for the morning of June 16<sup>th</sup>.** A barbeque lunch for all volunteers will be held after the clean up at the Lions Hall in Westbank. To participate in the clean up, please meet at the WFN Government Office just before 9:00 a.m. in order to obtain supplies and be assigned to an area. For more information on the June 16<sup>th</sup> Community Clean Up, please contact Jayne Fosbery, Economic Development Manager, at 250-769-2402 or [jfosbery@wfn.ca](mailto:jfosbery@wfn.ca).

**The next regular meeting of the WFN Advisory Council** will be held on Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Inter-Governmental Affairs Boardroom of the WFN Government Building.