

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

November 13, 2012

At the request of a member of the West Kelowna Residents Association, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Advisory Council attended a meeting of the association, believing that the topic of discussion would be the proposed medical facility for the District of West Kelowna. The purpose of their attendance was for acquiring information and did not constitute any endorsement of, or commitment to, the proposed medical facility on the part of WFN. The medical facility was just a small part of the agenda, however, and so it was agreed by the Advisory Council that, unless there is a special meeting for the purpose of addressing the medical facility or some other issue relevant to WFN lands, there is no need for members of the Advisory Council to attend future regular meetings.

The Advisory Council continues to explore how to best lobby for the granting of the carbon tax rebate / homeowner grant to residents on WFN lands since their attempts to influence government officials to this end have been unsuccessful so far despite various meetings with government representatives, much correspondence being sent back and forth, including correspondence with the Premier and a written submission on the issue to the provincial government. The rebate is provided to residents not residing on reserve lands but not to those who are residing on WFN lands. For more information on this issue, please contact Terry Turcan, Chair of the Advisory Council, at (250) 707-1326 or tturcan@telus.net.

The Advisory Council recommended approval of Capital Expenditure Bylaw 12-TX-06 which allows for the expenditure of up to an additional \$400,000 for the completion, furnishing and equipping of the first floor of the WFN Government Building. For more information on the bylaw, please contact Ernest Jack, Surveyor of Taxes, at 250-769-2400 or ejack@wfn.ca. For more information on the actual project, please contact Hilary Hettinga, Manager of Development Services, at 250-769-2447 or hhettinga@wfn.ca

The next meeting of the WFN Advisory Council will be held on Tuesday, December 11th at 9:00 a.m. in the Inter-Governmental Affairs Boardroom of the WFN Government Building.