

LOCAL CITIZENS' COMMITTEE MEETING
Sault Ste. Marie District
Tuesday, December 4, 2007 - 5:00 p.m. - Social
Dinner - 6:00 p.m.
Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Gran Festa - Bay East Room

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mike Thompson, Chairman, called the meeting to order with a quorum present at 7:55 p.m. following the annual Christmas social part of the evening. Trev Woods, District Manager, thanked the LCC members for their efforts over the past year and commented on the importance of these types of committees. Ron Reffle presented Kerry Sinibaldi and Art Osborne with plaques recognizing their contributions to the LCC over the past seven years.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Bill Vanderburg, seconded by Paul Foisy. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 19, 2007 MEETING

Paul Foisy requested a minor change on page 4. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Paul Foisy, seconded by Andy Pedersen. Motion carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 19, 2007 MEETING

1. The map menu will be distributed in Jan. 2008.
2. MNR will get the details on the Forest Benefits meeting.
3. Ron will contact the Tourism rep prior to the next meeting.
4. The ad for the General Public rep will be out in Jan. 2008.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Sault College agreed to change the name of the LCC Award to "The Local Citizens Committee Award in Memory of Jim Miller".

7. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Current FMP Update - Clergue/Forest Industry Staff

Mike Thompson provided an update of Boniferro Mill Works operations. Henson's operations in Block 6304 (Christina West) and Block 6303 (Christina North) are on-going and will continue throughout the winter. The Christina Mine Road will be plowed. Avery is currently operating in Block 7401 (Vixen) and will continue throughout the winter. The Vixen Lake Road will be plowed south of the camps.

Pierre Dumas' operations in Block 6306 (Leonard) are scheduled to commence next week. The Leonard Lake Road will be plowed.

Tom Crosswell stated that most of St. Marys operations are in the Wawa portion of the forest. Henson's harvest operation in Block 7400 (Hargraft) is on-going. They will be moving to Block 7519 off the Ranger Lake Road for the winter.

Meakin is carrying-out the red pine thinning in Gaudette Township off the Whitman Dam Road and will be completed by the end of December. Midway Lumber Mills have settled with their union.

Tom also stated that there is no silviculture activity to report.

2. FMP Planning Update - Clergue

Nathan stated that the Invitation to Participate newspaper ad is on track for December 5th. The values maps will be completed by this Friday and will be available at the next LCC meeting.

The planning team will meet January 15th (tentative) and the next project will be the Objectives and Strategies.

3. LCC FMP Update - Jeff Hinich

Jeff reports that there was no planning team meeting since his last report but that several of the task teams had held meetings.

4. All Sector Reports - All

There was nothing to report at this time.

5. LCC Budget - Ron Reffle

Ron will attach a copy of the LCC Budget report to these minutes.

8. New Business

- a. Art Osborne thanked the members for inviting him this evening session and for giving him a plaque. Art offered to support the LCC Regional Workshop by coordinating/organizing any requests for the Fire Program's participation including tours of the hanger.

9. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Andy Pedersen, seconded by all members. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, January 14, 2008 at 5:30 pm at the SSM Region Conservation Authority Office at 1100 Fifth Line East.**

Ron Reffle
Recording Secretary
Local Citizens' Committee
Attachments