



WHISTLER

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF WHISTLER BEAR ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2022, STARTING AT 8:30 A.M.

ZOOM

PRESENT	Mtgs. YTD (2)
Co-Chair, Claire Ruddy, Coast to Cascades Grizzly Bear Initiative/AWARE	2
Arthur DeJong, Council	3
Juan Pineda, RMOW Bylaw Services	2
Ivana Minic-Lukac, Whistler Wildlife Protection Group	3
Taylor Green, Member at Large	2
REGRETS	
Brittany Mueller, BC Conservation Officer Service	1
Adrien Baudouin, Member at Large	1
Denise Imbeau, Carney's Waste Systems	
Simon Gravel, BC Conservation Officer Service	1
Sgt. Rob Knapton, RCMP	

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by A. DeJong
Seconded by J. Pineda

That Whistler Bear Advisory Committee adopt the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee Agenda of April 13, 2022.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by A. DeJong
Seconded by J. Pineda

That Whistler Bear Advisory Committee adopt the Regular Whistler Bear Advisory Committee Minutes of March 9, 2022.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

BSPA Communication Plan High level overview of topics. Added suggestions: garbage allowed on transit, avoid overfilling bus stop garbage bins. Ensure COS contact attached to all messaging related to bears in neighborhoods.

Updates

RMOW Bylaw Services A presentation by J. Pineda was given regarding RMOW Bylaw Services activities and discussion was held.

- 3 calls regarding bears on property.
- 1 call regarding grease spilled outside of restaurant.
- Developed a communications media platform about being a “good neighbor”—to include media clip on managing attractants for wildlife protection.

A. DeJong A presentation by A. Dejong was given regarding bear sightings and WB update.

- Bear sightings in Nordic.
- At this time no WB staff is said to be joining WBAC.

RMOW Environmental Stewardship A presentation by T. Schaufele was given regarding RMOW Environmental Stewardship activities and a discussion was held.

- Bear accessing BBQ’s in Emerald. Communications re this completed via social media, website and signage.
- An ad regarding the return of bears to the area was placed in the pique.
- BSPA position to be filled by next WBAC meeting.

Whistler Wildlife Protection Group A presentation by I. Minic-Lukac was given regarding Whistler Wildlife Protection Group activities and a discussion was held.

- Bear sightings reported in Village, Nodric and golf course.
- Biking for bears program will be begin soon.
- Unsecure garbage noted at Woodland Lodge. Bylaw contacted them and the issue has been resolved. Proactive steps taken before problem took place.

ACTION ITEMS

- BSPA request WB staff to participate in WBAC. Potential suggestion, someone from bear viewing platform.

MOTION TO TERMINATE

Moved by A. DeJong
Seconded by J. Pineda

That the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee Meeting of April 13, 2022 be terminated at 9:15 a.m.

Tara Schauffele

Chair, Tara Schauffele