

The Corporation of the District of Peachland Policy

Healthy Watersheds Committee

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Purpose:

The Healthy Watersheds Committee is an advisory committee to Council.

Membership:

Council may appoint a minimum of 7 members to a maximum of 10 members to the Committee. The term shall run concurrently with that of the District of Peachland Municipal Council.

The composition of the committee shall be as follows:

- 2 members of District of Peachland Council
- 1 member from Westbank First Nation
- 1 member from Peachland Watershed Protection Alliance
- 3 – 6 members from the community at large.

Committee members will be selected on the basis of their demonstrated community interest, the desired experience, knowledge, expertise and familiarity with the varied activities that take place in the watersheds. All members are appointed at the pleasure of Council.

When a member determines that they are no longer interested in participating on the Committee, they will draft and submit their resignation to the Corporate Officer.

Meetings:

The Committee shall elect a Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary at the first meeting of each calendar year, and establish a meeting schedule.

Meetings will be held bi-monthly, unless specific workload or timing requires additional meetings.

The Committee meetings shall follow the rules established for committees in the District of Peachland Council Procedure Bylaw and the Community Committees of Council Policy.

Agendas / Minutes:

Committee agendas and minutes shall be dealt with in accordance with the District of Peachland Council Procedure Bylaw and the *Community Charter*.

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Terms of Reference:

Purpose:

The Healthy Watersheds Committee is an advisory committee to Council. Its purpose is to provide advice and support to Council and staff on matters affecting the water quality and quantity in the Peachland Creek and Trepanier Creek watersheds.

Duties:

1. Undertake any projects assigned by Council;
2. Promote community awareness of watershed health;
3. Provide educational opportunities for the public, for example, educational signage in key locations, how to report watershed abuse, encourage back country users to put out their fires;
4. Sponsor meetings and events likely to encourage public discussion of community watershed issues;
5. Provide feedback to Council and staff on projects that could impact the community watersheds;
6. Work in co-operation with organizations and support initiatives that encourage the goals of developing and maintaining healthy watersheds;
7. Be sensitive to the fact that the community watersheds have many different uses, including forestry and mining activities, range use, recreational and camping uses.