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- **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING CALLED FOR MUNDESSA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – August 11, 2020**
A Special Meeting of Mundessa Development Corporation (MDC) Members will take place on August 11, 2020 at 5pm at the outdoor Picnic Gazebo at Shipyards Park. The number of Directors for MDC has recently fallen below three (the minimum number of directors provided for in the articles) therefore, a special General Meeting has been called to fill the vacant Director positions. The sole purpose of this meeting is to elect up to five (5) Directors, one (1) from each Traditional Family. Due to COVID-19 guidelines currently in effect, this meeting will be held outside at the Picnic Gazebo at Shipyards Park. Two-metre distancing between attendees will be enforced. To facilitate and support the elections process, if you are interested in being nominated by your Traditional Family for a Director position, please contact Elisha Sidoun, Clerk of Council for TKC at 668-3613 ext 210 or email clerkofcouncil@taan.ca.
- **SUMMER WOMEN'S RETREAT– Helen's Fish Camp, August 18-20, 2020 (Deadline August 10th)**
The deadline is August 10, 2020 to register for this summer's Women's Retreat set for August 18-20 at Helen's Fish Camp. Participants will be able to take part in a variety of events including traditional sewing and health and wellness activities. Because of COVID-19 guidelines, attendance is limited to 10 people and will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Interested Citizens are encouraged to register early. For more information, please contact TKC's Heritage Programs Coordinator, Roberta Behn at 668-3613 ext 403 or email rbehn@taan.ca or Thalia Hare, Income & Social Support Worker at 668-3613 ext 406 or email incomesupport@taan.ca.
- **HEALTH & WELLNESS EVENTS, INCLUDING FALL CANNING ACTIVITIES -Stay tuned**
TKC's Health & Wellness Department will be holding on-the-land events that will be open to TKC families. Planning is in the works for a canning/preserving event at Helen's Fish Camp, however, dates have yet to be determined and will be dependent on COVID-19 limitations. For more information please contact Roberta Auston, Health & Wellness Coordinator at 68-3613 ext 407 or email healthandwellness@taan.ca.
- **CASUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES-Ongoing with TKC's Lands, Resources & Heritage Department**
The Lands Resource & Heritage (LRH) Department has an immediate and anticipatory need for General Labourers for current and upcoming projects. These positions include casual employment opportunities such as a site-specific cleanup project, the Fox Creek Counting Weir Installation project, as well as restoration work and FireSmart seasonal positions. TKC is also seeking a Citizen Trapper to support the Fox Creek Salmon Restoration Project. Please share this information with TKC Citizens you may know seeking temporary employment. Anyone interested in these opportunities (and others as they may come available) should contact TKC Human Resources rkufeldt@taan.ca 867-668-3613 ext. 208 or Manager LRH lrhmanager@taan.ca ext 601.
- **LRH LAND MONITORS TO INCREASE PATROLS OF SETTLEMENT LANDS**
TKC's Land Monitors will be engaging with members of the general public throughout the summer to help enforce TKC's recent request asking people to refrain from using TKC Settlement Lands for recreation activities. Due to the present COVID-19 regulations, TKC lands staff are recording a significant increase to the number of people using Settlement Lands for recreational purposes. Throughout the summer, LRH staff will be increasing patrols to include some weekend patrols targeting areas of heavy use. For more information please contact LRH Manager Scott Paszkiewicz at 668-3613 ext 601 or email lrhmanager@taan.ca.

- **CITIZEN INPUT NEEDED TO UPDATE TKC's TRAIL DATA BASE**

The LRH Department is seeking Citizen input to review information within TKC's trail database. There are multiple upcoming projects regarding trails/heritage routes sponsored by other governments. LRH staff is looking to improve understanding and communicate Citizen perspectives on trails/routes of importance. LRH aims to provide comments on trail use and concerns, as well as history and stories related to trails within TKC's traditional territory through these projects. If you would like more information or to provide input, please contact Natalie Leclerc, Land Use Planning Coordinator, at (867) 668-3613 ext 604 or email nleclerc@taan.ca. All comments are welcome.

- **TUTORING SUPPORT AVAILABLE - Ongoing**

We hope everyone is enjoying the summer months and making the best of the tough situations placed before us. As we look towards the fall, we would like to remind parents and guardians about our commitment to enhanced learning. We are continuing to provide tutoring supports to students that would like a little extra help with their studies. If you feel your child could use a little extra help, we can link your child with a tutor that fits their needs and schedule. For more information please contact Ben Monkman at 334-8306 or email youthsupport@taan.ca.

- **SCHOOL SUPPLIES SUBSIDY AND EDUCATIONAL NEEDS APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE**

TKC students and parents of students starting school in the fall are encouraged to register and fill out the forms needed for TKC support programs. Applications are now available for the school supply subsidy, bus passes, graduation regalia, and the Steps to Success program. These forms are available for pick up or can be emailed. They are also available to download at www.taan.ca. For more information please contact Ben Monkman at 334-8306 or email youthsupport@taan.ca.

- **ATCO ELECTRIC INDIGENOUS EDUCATION AWARDS– Deadline extended to August 15, 2020**

ATCO Electric's Indigenous Education Awards Program, a program set up to support First Nation students across Canada, has been extended until August 15, 2020. There are three different awards available: Merit Award (\$500) – for students completing Grades 10-12, including upgrading; Bursaries (\$1,000) for students enrolled in trade, diploma or certificate programs; Scholarships (\$1,500) – for students enrolled in degree or graduate programs. There is a maximum of one award per applicant per year and students must re-apply each year if they wish to be considered. For more information on the application process please contact (867) 633-7000 or go to www.atcoelectricityukon.com to download an application.

- **TKC OFFICE OPERATIONS CONTINUE SAFE-DISTANCING MEASURES DUE TO COVID-19**

TKC continues to follow its reopening plan in accordance with the steps set out by the Yukon's Chief Medical Officer of Health. To ensure the safety of all staff and Citizens throughout this time of transition, TKC continues to remain closed to walk-in traffic. All Citizens or other visitors are encouraged to make an appointment in advance of coming to TKC, to better control and plan for the number of people on the premises at any given time. Also, all cheques, normally available for pick up will be mailed. To ensure safe-distancing steps are followed by staff, and to limit traffic at the office, there will be no exceptions to these measures. TKC Citizens will be kept up to date on programs and services on our Facebook page and website at www.taan.ca.

Please watch our website and Facebook for updates

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Take care and stay safe!