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- **VIRTUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY – FEBRUARY 12-14, 2021 – Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre**

TKC Administration is busy organizing TKC's first-ever Virtual General Assembly to be held February 12-14, 2021. Delegates may attend in person at the Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre (KDCC) or online. Delegate forms are available at the TKC Administration Office and on the TKC Website. Delegates are encouraged to have these forms submitted by February 5, 2021. All other Citizen participants will be able to watch the General Assembly and participate virtually. There will be lots of great prizes to be won, including those who are participating virtually. There is an early registration prize of \$250 Visa gift card to be drawn. Advance registration is required for all those who plan to attend virtually, including all delegates, Councillors, and Citizens. Instructions and the links for attending this meeting virtually accompanies this bulletin – both through the mailout and with its online posting. For those family members of delegates unable to connect virtually from home, there will be a small viewers' gallery set up in the Multi-Purpose Room at KDCC. Citizens interested in attending the viewers' gallery must register with Amanda Leas prior to the start of the General Assembly. During the General Assembly, all COVID-19 protocols will be in place. For further information please contact Amanda Leas at (867) 668-3613 ext. 203. Please also check the website for more information at www.taan.ca. Due to the virtual format of the General Assembly, honourarium will only be provided to delegates. There will be no gift cards for Citizen participation, however, there will be many opportunities to win draw prizes!

- **COVID-19 VACCINE ROLLOUT NOW UNDERWAY – Ongoing**

TKC's Wellness staff are available to assist all Elders and Citizens who request assistance with appointments (including transportation) for the COVID-19 vaccine. The vaccine's rollout started on January 19 for Elders 70 and older. Starting on February 1, 2021, the vaccine will be available for Citizens aged 60 and older, and on February 10, 2021, for all other ages 18 and above. The goal of Yukon's COVID-19 Vaccine Strategy is to ensure that every adult Yukoner who wants to receive the COVID-19 vaccine can receive it. This will help to slow the rate of transmission. Registering for an appointment is required for the vaccination. The vaccine requires two doses (injections) with the 2nd dose given 28-35 days after the first dose. All recipients will need to continue practising the *Safe 6 plus 1*. If you need assistance to register online for the vaccine please contact TKC's Wellness Department at (867) 668-3613 ext. 402. You can also register online at <http://yukon.ca/this-is-our-shot>. TKC will continue to provide regular updates on any changes to the vaccine rollout and to the *Safe 6 plus 1* directive and other public health measures on our website www.taan.ca as well as on our Facebook page.

- **YUKON RIVER PANEL 2021 VIRTUAL POST-SEASON MEETING – January 25-27, 2021**

The Yukon River Panel 2020 post-season meetings will be held virtually this year from January 25-27, and TKC Citizens are welcome to tune in to the open sessions either by phone or via YouTube. The first day of the meeting (January 25) is closed to the public, and TKC will have an advisor in attendance. Both January 26 and 27 will be open sessions that can be accessed by phone or internet (listening and observing only). There is also an opportunity to give testimony at the end of day on either January 26 or 27. Signing up to attend is mandatory. For more information on tuning in to the meetings or giving testimony, please contact Kristina Beckmann, Fish and Wildlife Program Coordinator at (867) 668-3613 ext. 603 or email fishandwildlife@taan.ca.

- **TKC CITIZEN-ONLY VIRTUAL MEETING – SHALLOW BAY ZONING COMMITTEE – January 27, 6:30pm**

TKC Citizens will get a chance to provide input into the future of the Shallow Bay area at a special online (virtual) Shallow Bay Zoning Committee TKC Citizen Meeting set for January 27, 2021 at 6:30pm. Full details are enclosed with this bulletin in a letter which includes all the links to documents and instructions for attending. The letter will also be posted to the TKC website and available at www.taan.ca.

- TKC's LANDS & RESOURCES 2021 EVENT POSTPONED – January 29-30, Yukon Inn**
 Due to considerations of the health and safety of TKC Citizens because of COVID-19, the Lands, Resources and Heritage (LRH) event set for January 29-30, 2021 at the Yukon Inn in Whitehorse has been postponed. However, work is continuing to offer Citizens updates on LRH projects and allow Citizens a chance to offer feedback and direction. Also, information packages and project updates on Lands and Resources projects and priorities will also be posted shortly on the TKC website at www.taana.ca.
- EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES – Qualified Citizens encouraged to apply**
Health and Wellness Coordinator - This position is responsible for supervising the Home Care Worker(s), overseeing Home and Community Programs, and other health and wellness related services; facilitating cultural and community activities to engage Citizens; coordinating and co-facilitating workshops pertaining to wellness promotion and prevention strategies; coordinating the workplan of home care services for TKC Citizens. **Deadline: Friday January 29, 2021.**
Clerk of the Council -The position works closely with the Chief/Deputy Chief, Management Committee and all government branches to ensure TKC is effective in the development and implementation of legislation and policy, including laws, regulations, policy and other regulatory measures as required. The Clerk of the Council is also responsible for coordinating and managing logistics of the Chief and Council meetings and Elders Council meetings. **Deadline: Until filled.** Full details available at www.taana.ca.
- UNIVERSITY DEADLINE FOR ENROLLMENT REMINDER – Deadlines starting January 31, 2021**
 Application deadlines are coming up soon for University enrollment for the 2021 fall semester. Deadlines for enrollment for applications to the University of Victoria and Simon Fraser University are January 31, 2021. Dates can be program-specific, so be sure and contact TKC's Education Support Worker Kaitlyn Silvester, who is more than happy to help you chart your educational course and make sure you have all the necessary enrollment information. You can reach Kaitlyn at (867) 668-3613 ext. 401 or email educationsupport@taana.ca.
- CYFN SEEKS CANDIDATES FOR YUKON BOARDS – Deadline February 1, 2021**
 The Council of Yukon First Nations is accepting applications from First Nation Citizens interested in becoming a member of the Training Policy Committee and the Yukon Surface Rights Board. To qualify for nomination, those interested are required to submit an application form and resume that demonstrates education and/or experience relevant to the board or committee. Applications must be received by 5 pm on Monday February 1. For applications and instructions, please visit www.cyfn.ca or email applications to boardsandcommittees@cyfn.net. Applications can also be picked up at CYFN's office at 2166 2nd Avenue, Whitehorse.
- LABERGE RENEWABLE RESOURCES COUNCIL - ALTERNATE MEMBER NEEDED – February 19, 2021**
 Ta'an Kwäch'än Council is inviting interested Citizens to submit an application to become an alternate member of the Laberge Renewable Resources Council. Interested persons are requested to submit a letter of interest outlining their qualifications no later than February 19, 2021. A list of persons meeting the requirements will be submitted to Chief and Council for a decision. As outlined in Chapter 16.6.4, once Chief and Council have selected their nominee, the name will be sent to the Minister of Environment for acceptance. For a copy of the Notice of Call for Expression of Interest and more information please go to www.taana.ca or contact Dawn Hansen, Natural Resources Technician at (867) 668-3613 ext. 602 or email: resources@taana.ca.
- LRH WINTER CAMPAIGN TO RAISE AWARENESS OVER USE OF SETTLEMENT LAND**
 TKC's LRH Department is continuing its efforts to raise awareness of concerns over public use of Settlement Lands. Last month LRH posted a letter on TKC's website advising all Yukoners that TKC staff will continue to increase patrols and hold public engagement activities throughout the winter. LRH has also created an interactive map system and will be adding project updates to the Ta'an website. This information will be available at www.taana.ca/maps. For more information on this or to get an update on feedback received to date, please contact Scott Paszkiewicz, Manager Lands, Resources, & Heritage at (867) 668-3613 ext. 601 or email lrhmanager@taana.ca.

Take Care and Stay Safe!

Watch our website and Facebook for updates.

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