

Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

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Monthly Bulletin - August 2022

• BY-ELECTION FOR DEPUTY-CHIEF - September 12, 2022

TKC's by-election for Deputy-Chief is scheduled for Monday September 12th. There are three candidates for the position: Doris Anderson, John Bunbury, and Kristina Kane. Full election details are available at www.taan.ca. The official voters list will be posted at the TKC Main Administrative Building at 117 Industrial Road, Whitehorse. More information is also available by contacting Chief Returning Officer, Colleen Craft at (867) 689-1071. The TKC Election Office is located at #204-206 Jarvis Street (Elite Hotel). Hours of operation vary and are posted at www.taan.ca.

• FAMILY CULTURE CAMP SET FOR AUGUST 9-11, 2022 – TKC Fish Camp

Families are invited to come out to enjoy this year's Family Culture Camp at TKC's Fish Camp between August 9-11. This year's camp will be run in partnership with Skookum Jim Friendship Centre. There will be a variety of activities for the whole family: cutting and fileting salmon, learning the art of mini drum-making, carving, sewing, and making medicine. There will also be fun children's activities each day and boat excursions will be scheduled to the Ta'an Village across the lake. Lunch and snacks will be provided daily, and there will be a family feast on Thursday evening. There will be a bus going to and from the lake each day for families who require transportation; however, families must request this in advance. Registration to attend is required. Please contact Charlotte Kane at (867) 333-9498 or email charlotte.kane@skookumjim.com to register and to arrange for transportation.

EMERGENCY HOUSING GOING AHEAD AT LAKE LABERGE VILLAGE SITE-Ongoing

TKC is prioritizing affordable housing options for its Citizens, following the passing of a motion on July 4th supporting the placement of nine mobile homes on TKC Settlement Land. Citizens were updated on the plans at a virtual housing meeting held on July 27th. The location (as shown below) will be at the TKC Village, just past Lot 120, adjacent to the power line road. These homes are being put in

place as a temporary solution and are not meant as a permanent housing placement. The allocation process for the homes will be administered by a third-party contractor who, through a comprehensive application process will match those most in need with units first. This housing initiative is one of three developments TKC is



currently undertaking to ensure Citizens have access to safe, affordable housing. Other developments TKC is busy undertaking include the development of single-family housing lots along Birch Road in Porter Creek and a development of townhouse units in Whistle Bend. (A map of these developments is available at www.taan.ca) Along with site preparations, plans and permits, TKC is now finalizing policies that will guide the allocation process for these new developments. This will include creating a housing database and registry system. These projects will also provide job and training opportunities for TKC Citizens. Citizens should watch our website for more information. Contact Matthew Dickson, TKC Housing Manager at (867) 668-3613 ext. 501 for more details.

- TKC is currently looking to fill one vacancy for a full member to sit on the LRRC for a five-year term. We invite eligible Citizens to submit an Expression of Interest to be reviewed and nominated by TKC Council. As a full member of the LRRC, you are expected to attend monthly meetings, as well as the Annual General Assembly and working group meetings. Interested persons are requested to submit a letter of interest outlining their qualifications (template available upon request) and a copy of their resume. If you require more information, please see the TKC Notice Call for Expression of Interest on TKC's webpage. To submit your Expression of Interest contact Brooklyn Massie at fisherystudent@taan.ca. The deadline is August 12th.
- ONE LANE TRAFFIC CONTINUES Horse Creek Turnoff at North Klondike Highway
 Residents travelling to Lake Laberge are reminded that road repairs continue at the Horse Creek
 area culvert. The culvert sustained extensive damages due to high water levels flooding the
 overpass in July. Residents are reminded to drive carefully in the construction area (narrow
 shoulders) and to take extra precautions and follow all traffic instructions. For highway updates
 go to www.511yukon.ca.
- TRAINING PROGRAMS AVAILABLE FOR CITIZENS Ongoing

Citizens wishing to access training in areas that will help them gain employment can contact TKC's Education and Employment Training Coordinator Barb Crawford for assistance. Barb can help you register for certificate courses including Standard First Aid, Food Safe and other safety courses and programs that can help you qualify for the jobs that interest you. She can also assist you with job searches as well as resume preparation. Contact Barb Crawford at (867) 668-3623 ext. 410 or email training@taan.ca.

• TKC ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION & COMMUNITY GATHERING – September 2022 (dates to be confirmed)

Please stay tuned for an exciting event happening in September! Join us as we celebrate our 20th anniversary of signing TKC's Self-Government Agreement. Celebratory events will include special presentations, recognition awards, traditional games, entertainment, a community feast, and door prizes. We will also be holding a separate Community Gathering, which will include a Citizen-only community meeting and an opportunity to meet staff, learn about new initiatives, and tour department exhibits. All events will take place at the TKC Fish Camp at Lake Laberge. A TKC shuttle service will be available for those who sign up for the service prior to the event. More information and a full events schedule will be available soon at www.taan.ca and on TKC's Facebook Page. Contact TKC Office Manager Aashna Jhunjhunwala at (867) 668-3613 ext. 203 or email officemanager@taan.ca.



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