

# MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY

## Ports and Harbors Advisory Board

Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024

1. Call to Order: Chair Lavoie called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
2. Roll Call: Members present were Chair Lavoie, Vice Chair Racich, Secretary K.C. Mayo, Assembly Member Orion Hanson, and Yukon Liaison Aubrey (phoned in).
3. Minutes: Minutes unavailable.
4. Approval of Agenda: Assemblymember Hanson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Vice Chair Racich seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.
5. Communications:
  - a. Correspondence: None
  - b. Citizens Present:
    - i. Shena Shaw (VP, Environmental & Community Affairs) and Calista Morrison (Director, External Affairs) from Casino Mining Corporation (A wholly owned subsidiary of Western Copper and Gold Corporations) gave a presentation on the progress with the Casino Mine project in the Yukon. The Mine will be about 186 miles (300 km) Northwest of Whitehorse. The project is currently still in the permitting process and that will take roughly five more years to complete. After that there will be a four year construction phase, this will require about 1,400 people. Once the mine is up and running it will take 600-700 people to operate it and 100-200 additional contractor and support staff. The commercial life of the project after construction is 27 years. They would both like to comedown for more meeting and get involved with the community.
      1. Assembly Member Hanson asked what the target start date for construction would be? Shena said that there is no way of knowing after the permitting phase (5 years) exactly how soon they would begin construction.
      2. Assembly Member Hanson asked if the MOS's multi use platform would work out for the mine? Shena said that the platform had input from the mine and that it should be able to be used just fine.
    - ii. Tourism Director Jaime Bricker spoke about the renaming of the Ore Dock. She said if the Dock were to be renamed that her department would need time and resources to change maps, signage, visitors guides, etc.
  - c. Port Director Report: Port Director Jennings said that the report was in the packet and then went on to give a summarization of the report. She said the updates to the Ore Dock were going well, and that there were a few delays because of marine mammals. Transpac arrived in Ketchikan today to begin work on the floating dock. The scaling by Rock Supremacy is going well, and they are on track to be done before the first ship day. Port Director Jennings will bring two resolutions forward at the next meeting for the board to consider recommending to the Assembly. She also

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said that Everbridge is up and running in its test phase, and that you should sign up if you would like notifications.

- i. Assembly Member Hanson asked Port Director Jennings for an RFP Update. Port Director Jennings said that there was a meeting scheduled for next Friday, and that there was a lot of work to be done to get the MOS and Yukon's spending calendars lined up.
- ii. Chair Lavoie asked if there were any conversations happening about alternative transport methods for the floating dock. Port Director Jennings said that there were talks taking place, but as of the moment the plan is still to tow the dock as planned.

6. Unfinished Business: None

7. New Business: None

8. Ports & Harbors Advisory board Discussion Items:

- a. Ore Dock Renaming: Chair Lavoie spoke about the subject saying that the time and resources to change everything needed that comes with a dock name change seemed to be unnecessary, and that the "Ore Dock" name was "A nod to the past and the future" and that she feels the name should remain. Most of the room agreed with what was said.
- b. Ore Dock Ribbon Cutting: Port Director Jennings said there is a plan to possibly have a ribbon cutting ceremony, possibly before the first ship docks on the new dock, but there is a strong chance that it might have to be a few weeks later. She is currently working on a invitation list to certain VIPs and members of the community, and is having talks with Mayor Bass about it.
- c. General Discussion: None

9. Adjournment: Chair Lavoie adjourned the meeting at 5:40 pm.