

December 3, 2020
3:00 pm
Via ZOOM (Online)



Attendance:

Bri Laskosky, Student (West Central)	Eleanor Vokes, Community	Murray Welch, Community
Cammie Laird, Clearwater County	Gary Lewis, Clearwater County Ag	Rich Rowe, Pieridae
Chad Bunch, Bunch Welding	Helge Nome, Community	Ryan Sands, Community
Chris Stillito, Shell	Jerry Pratt, Clearwater County	Sarah Barcelo, Repsol
Cole Thomson, TC Energy	John Vandermeer, Clearwater County	Spencer Sinclair, Paramount
Connie Sands, Community	Josh Pentland, TC Energy	Thalia Aspeslet, Pieridae
Darcy Allen, Community	Lucie Geczi, GOA, Labour	Rick Anderson, Facilitator
Don Riddle, Community	Marcie Nieman, AER	Dawn Thomas, Note taker

Introductions:

Review Agenda:

- Approved

Review November Meeting Notes:

- Approved

Updates/Action Items:

- **Temporary Surface Pipelines**
 - Rick attended a stakeholder meeting with AER regarding pipeline rule changes and has forwarded information to the group on this topic.
- **Canadian Energy Regulator**
 - Canadian Energy Regulator (CER) has a Land Matters Group, a stakeholder group/committee that works with addressing landowner rights related to federally regulated pipelines and installations. Rick will provide a link to their website info. <https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/consultation-engagement/stakeholder-engagement/land-matters-group/> (or you can google “land matters group”)
- **Synergy Alberta AGM**
 - Sarah Barcelo attended the meeting as the WCS representative.
 - Consensus was that this has been a very challenging year for all.

- Three Synergy Alberta Board members were elected.
- Meeting was fairly short and formal business was the focus.

MEMBER UPDATES/IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD:

Members present gave verbal updates. Only written updates submitted are included in the meeting notes. Attendees shared activity updates, and information about local events. Please provide any written updates to Rick via email (rick@rickandersonconsulting.com)

Gary Lewis provided a link via chat to Fiera Biological Consulting report:

- “RDRWA releases results of riparian area mapping project in the Medicine-Blindman Rivers watershed” <https://www.rdrwa.ca/node/319>
- Also link to Government of Alberta outdoor recreation and trail survey via chat... <https://www.alberta.ca/sustainable-outdoor-recreation-engagement.aspx>

WRITTEN UPDATES:

Cenovus

To be brief we at Cenovus have been busy working on the Merger with Husky that was announced awhile back with expected closing date in the first quarter of 2021. We feel this Merger will allow for us to be more resilient in this ever challenging industry and look forward to working for a combined company that has a strong foundation.

Locally in bullet point form:

- 2020-2021 Drilling program underway with One rig working in the Brazeau Dam area with plans on keeping this rig busy through the next few years. It is Drilling Spirit River Notikewan wells in our Sandcreek area now and will be moving into the Ferrier area and Alder flats areas next. Overall strategy is to drill to fill our CVE Gas plants in the area.
- Real effort to utilize local workers and services for this drilling program as well.
- Lots of work happening with in our company to monitor our Fugitive Emissions to meet AER directives.
- We are in the middle of working through our HI to LO bleed instrument project to lower our fugitive emissions at all sites.
- We will be starting our recruitment process In the Ochiese/Sunchild community in the new year for our Indigenous Field Internship Program which will be a 1-4 year program for an individual to gain some on the job experience at our Sandcreek Gas Plant.
- We have 3 large turnarounds at our Sandcreek, Alder, Lodgepole gas plants this spring and will be utilizing local vendors and workers to help us complete this work.

Bonavista

Nothing new to report. Normal operational activities at Bonavista for the past month.

TC Energy

NGTL Clearwater Compressor Station Unit C7 Addition Project:

- NGTL has received approval under section 214 of the Canadian Energy Regulator Act (CER Act) for the Project and has started construction of the Project.
- Construction updates:
 - o Concrete pads are being installed at the site.
 - o Work on the main compression unit as well as aerial coolers has begun and will be visible from the road.
 - o Auxiliary buildings are also arriving on site.
 - o Forecast in-service date is still November 1, 2021.
- Our Prime Contractor for this site, MasTec, has started a fundraising initiative with their crew to support the Rocky Mountain House and Caroline foodbanks. So far, almost \$1000 has been raised.

2021 NGTL System Expansion Project (Brewster Pipeline Section and Nordegg Compressor Station Unit Addition):

- NGTL has received approval by the Governor in Council (GIC) and the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) in October 2020 after undergoing an extensive review including a public hearing and a detailed conditions of approval for section 58 and section 52 activities.
- Work at the Nordegg Compressor Station site has begun as of December 1, and will continue until November 1, 2021.
- Strike is the Prime Contractor at the site, and information will be shared on how local businesses and interested workers can connect with them on employment opportunities.
- Recently, on the Brewster Pipeline we started advertising for our planned profile and book of reference (PPBoR) and stakeholders will see advertising about our route until the end of the month.
- Pipeline construction is set to begin in early February, and a Prime Contractor has not yet been announced.
- The in-service milestone for Brewster has shifted as a result of project delays, and is now expected to fall between late Q4 2021 and early Q1 2022.
- Further notification on construction and contracting opportunities will be provided when available, and Project updates will also be shared on our www.2021NGTL.com and www.tcenergyopenhouse.com sites.

2022 NGTL Edson Mainline Expansion Project (EDML)

- The project consists of two pipeline spreads:
 - o Elk River Section consists of 40 km of 48-inch pipeline located 115 km southeast from Hinton, AB, in Yellowhead and Clearwater Counties. Begins at SW 3-47-14-W5M and ends NW 20-43-12-W5M
 - o Alford Section consists of 45 km of 48-inch pipeline located 29 km west from Rocky Mountain House in Clearwater County. Begins at NE 14-39-10-W5M and ends at SE 3-36-7-W5M

- On November 19, 2020 the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) issued its Report on the Project.
 - o The Report constitutes the Recommendation, decisions and reasons of the CER in respect of NGTL's application to construct and operate the Project as well as the s. 58 conditions, and the s. 52 conditions the CER recommends to be placed on the Project if the Governor in Council (GIC) issues a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.
- NGTL will continue to provide regulatory updates as the Project progresses through review and planning.
- An in-service date for the project is forecast for Q2 2022.

NGTL West Path Delivery 2022 (Raven River Section)

- An application was sent in June 1, 2020 to the CER under section 214 of the Canadian Energy Regulator Act (CER Act)
- On November 20, 2020 a regulatory information request was made and NGTL responded on November 25, 2020.
- We are continuing geotechnical investigations and environmental surveys for the Project.
- We are going to running a Facebook campaign asking any local contractors who are currently not an approved vendor who are interested to apply.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- **Above ground water operations**
 - o Discussion around issues related to placement and use temporary water hoses and associated pumping units? Safety and environmental concerns with regards to some of the practices that are being observed by the public.
 - o Rick shared engagement information that he received, and reiterated the AER request for input that he had circulated to the group earlier.
 - o Industry representatives acknowledged concerns and encouraged people to continue to provide feedback in order to improve best practices and in order to have the opportunity to provide clarity where possible. It was noted that industry continues to work and seek guidance and on these issues.
- **Budget Discussion**
 - o Rick shared budget spreadsheet with breakdown of 2020 estimated actuals and included a 2021 projection.
 - o 2021 projection shows a potential for a 40% reduction overall. Discussion around the importance of doing this as it is a recognition to Industry of the current economic strain that they are experiencing.
 - o Question and clarification given around how the finances and transactions are processed and handled. Consensus from the group that the current system is working.
 - o Rick will include Group Structure on the next agenda.

MOTION: Spencer Sinclair moved to accept 2021 budget as presented;

SECOND: Thalia Aspeslet;

Motion carried.

MOTION: Chad Bunch moved that fee structure be set at \$2000 per member company for 2021;

SECOND: Spencer Sinclair;

Motion carried.

- When sending out invoices to member companies, Rick will include an explanation to note that there was a 40% budget reduction from 2020 due to a combination of some efficiencies implemented, impacts to operations due to COVID 19 restrictions, and recognition of the financial strain currently faced by companies. It is hoped this will support companies to continue to participate in WCS.

Next Meeting(s): January 7, 2021 from 3:00-5:00pm, via ZOOM