



SECOND VOTE 2013 - COMMUNITY TRUST

Peerless Trout First Nation Newsletter

November 2013

COUNCIL CALLS SECOND VOTE FOR SURPLUS FUNDS

The community trust vote held in May 2013 had a surplus of funds greater than the projects approved by Voting Beneficiaries. When funds are not fully used the Council is able to call another vote in order to use the funds in the best possible way for the community.

This second vote, to be held January 7th 2014, will ask PTFN members to consider two proposals of importance for approval for the remainder of this fiscal year (January to May 2014). The regular Community Trust Vote will still be held in May 2014 and new proposals from community members will be encouraged and accepted for that process closer to the date of that vote.

Frequently Asked Questions about the Trust Vote

The same voting process as used in 2012 and 2013 will be followed:

Q: Who can vote?

A: PTFN members 18 years of age or older.

Q: How many members need to vote YES for a proposal to be approved?

A: A simple majority of members must vote Yes for a proposal to be considered. So if 100 members cast a ballot, at least 51 member must vote YES.

Q: Can we vote YES for more than one proposal?

A: Yes, if both proposals were approved it would use the available funds we have left from this years Community Trust allocation.

“If at any time or from time to time, the Voting Beneficiaries fail by majority vote to approve the budgeted programs and services Council may, in the exercise of an absolute discretion, call at any time and from time to time in such Fiscal Year, a subsequent vote (s) of the Voting Beneficiaries, and/or put forward further proposals made by Council.”

-PTFN Trust Agreement

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- Proposal A – Community Emergency Response
- Proposal B –Wolf Control



Proposal A

-Community Emergency Response

\$36,250 –Remainder of this year (Jan-May 2013)
(**\$87,000** If approved would be on-going from year to year)

This program would serve the community by providing a community based emergency response team who would provide timely assistance during a major incident (natural disaster, fires, accidents, injuries, and other community emergencies).

In January our two new community fire halls will be getting Fire trucks and equipment to aide in such responses but needs supplemental aide for the volunteers who will man the equipment.

This program would ensure our Volunteers are able to undertake the training necessary to give the best quality of service in community emergencies. Supporting this proposal will raise the level of response, recovery, preparedness and mitigation to ensure our communities have effective emergency response.

**In the May 2013 Community Trust Vote the “Firefighting” Proposal did not pass into effect by only two votes.
Community supports this effort**



Proposal B—Wolf Control

\$8,400 –Trial Program (January-May 2014)

The wolf population has been becoming an issue in and around our community recently. The lives of pets have been jeopardized by the number and fearlessness of the wolves.

To help control the wolf population we propose offering a \$200 bounty per wolf killed. The proof of kill will need to be shown to officials before money is released.

This would be a trial program, if approved, that would run from January until May 2014 and at that time be re-evaluated for effectiveness and impact. It may be included in next years trust vote if determined successful.

Budget -Proposal A

Community Emergency Response

Expense	Estimated Cost	Notes
Training/ Travel/ Other expenses	\$15,000	Training, supplies, fuel costs, operating and other miscellaneous costs
Volunteers Community Emergency Response Team	\$24,000 / year x 2 Communities = \$48,000	A team of 10 volunteers per community
Safety Community Coordinator (One per Community)	\$12,000 x 2 communities = \$24,000	One director per community to coordinate and run all CER efforts
Total Cost	\$87,000	Since program would run from Jan—May 2014 this year the cost for those five months would be \$36,250



Budget –Proposal B

Wolf Control

Expense	Estimated Cost	Notes
Wolf Bounty	\$200/Wolf	Pay \$200 for each wolf killed
	\$8,400	Allows for the bounty of 42 wolfs

REMINDERS

- Vote day is Tuesday, January 7th 2014
11:00am—7:00pm
- Please do not forget your ID's
- Mark YES or No for each proposal
- Peerless Sub-Office or Trout Community Hall

Please come out and vote!

YOUR VOTE will help determine what programs and services will be offered in our community.

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about the trust vote or proposals

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The PTFN Council would like to thank you for your time and support with community improvement efforts by participating in the Trust Vote.