

Dunster Community Forest Society

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting:

16 May, 2016, at the Dunster School

Directors present: Larry Stamm; Archie McLean; Michaelynn Kyjonka; Donna Hampson; Chuck McNaughton; Eric Gautier; and Jules Phillip, Simpc'w Council Member. (Welcome, Jules!)

Manager present: Ray Thiessen

Agenda

Motion to adopt agenda as presented: Michaelynn, seconded by Eric.

Minutes from 18 April, 2016.

The following corrections apply:

under Manager's Report: delete 'Magic';

under New Business 2. BC Rural Dividend Grants - under "Funding Available:" change to: 'up to \$500,000 for a specified project if partnering with another organization;'

and,

under "Requirement:" change to: 'must have audited financial statement for one year and a five year financial plan.'

Motion to adopt minutes as amended: Donna, seconded by Chuck.

Treasurer's Report

Presented by Donna. Current Balance total: \$42,859.54.

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report: Donna, seconded by Eric.

Manager's Report

Presented by Ray.

Brief summary notes:

All is in play and scheduled to commence in early June;

Jules said that the Simpc'w will gladly work with us, and all we need do is ask should we require their support;

Letter from Roy Howard and Ray's response to said letter discussed;

Ray would like to put together a GAR (Government Action Resolution) process to determine what people would like to see, in consideration of our own social license;

Re: the LBI Grant for remediation of old salvage: Motion, by Donna, to get the additional insurance, up to \$1000, that is required for the LBI Grant. Eric seconded; Directors need to fill out Ray's Assessment form for next Board Meeting.

Correspondence

BC Societies Registry sent us \$50 back, and stated that we are not supposed to use "Society" in our title. Ray will contact someone in the know to clarify this.

Old Business

DCFS Office: slow process, but a work in progress.

Website: Larry will get to this during a rainy season. Ray will forward the R-10 map to Larry.

BC Rural Dividend Grants: Larry contacted Aynsley re: Valemount partnering with us and they're good with that. Possible projects: tree nursery, heated by geo-thermal, and/or pellet plant. This will be an ongoing process. Larry will contact the new grant writer Valemount is using.

Public Consultation Process: no discussion necessary at this time.

New Business

Hiking Trail and Recreational Possibilities: Connect Shere look-out with Tom's cabin (perhaps there would be funding for this). Walking, this would be a two day hike to make the loop. Idea to make this a 'destination walk', with a couple of huts on the Alpine ridge. Ray is eager to recce this in the summer.

Community Grants Policy: Thus far, Community Grants recipients must be in the Dunster area and Grants must benefit Dunster residents. It was agreed that this would remain so for the time being.

Regarding the Library request for funds: We invite the Library to apply for funding as per our Community Grants Policy.

New Societies Act and Implications: Member funded societies cannot have more than 20% of income from Grants. Larry will get legal advice regarding this.

Motion to adjourn meeting: Donna. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Next Meeting: 20 June, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. At the Dunster School.