

Dunster Community Forest Society
Directors Meeting
July 17, 2019

Called to order at 1858.

Present: Larry Stamm, Chuck McNaughton, Ray Thiessen, Ray Johnson, Donna Hampson, Kelly McNaughton, Michaelynn Kyjonka.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda as amended. Moved: Kelly, Seconded: Ray J. Carried.

2. Minutes of the June 19, 2019 Meeting: Read.

Motion: To approve the minutes as read. Moved: Michaelynn, Seconded: Ray J. Carried.

3. Treasurer's Report

Donna referred to her report. Donna & Ray T., clarified expenditures. The Silviculture fund allocation will continue as in past. Ray T., clarified that a significant amount of the expenses are related to the Kiwa road work, which is holding with the rainfall.

Donna moved her report. Seconded: Michaelynn. Carried.

4. Manager's Report

Ray referred to his report. The work on G road will include some adaptation related to Jane Houlden's visual concerns, expressed in the past, so Ray T., is going to re-ribbon in the area, to reduce the visual impact as much as possible. Ray T., will send a map of the area to Jane. Larry suggested also posting some information at the Store, so Ray T., will do same. Regarding the AAC, so much of our forest is the same age, so the management plan will take this into account. Ray T., clarified that S1-5 was planted in 2015. Related to past years' dry conditions & sandy soil we will have to do some replanting. Ray T., went for a drive (**horse-back ride**) with Chris D'Alessandro behind his property & Booth creek to look at (**and gps**) some of the trails he has there- some brushing is needed. There is a wildlife management area in one portion. None of the trails are gazetted, they are all skid trails & game trails. We would need to discuss the trails that are in the wildlife management area with the Ministry. There are 2 loops totaling approximately 4.5 km. Above Shepherd's, Ray T., would like to take his skidder there to pull out danger trees for firewood & create a 2 km loop of trail. He would ask DCFS to pay for the low-bedding fee only. Regarding Sarah's advertisement for firewood, 5 names have been collected – David Birky & Rob Pepper will be delivering wood.

5. Correspondence

a. Proposed Amendments to Society's Act

Larry has just received this -19 pages of amendments. We can provide feedback. Larry will go through it & anyone else is welcome to review same -Michaelynn interested.

6. Old Business & Business Arising from the Minutes

a. DCFS-DFASS Contract

Katrina, President of DFASS contacted DCFS -the priority is to fix the water system & they have asked DCFS to look into funding. It appears there is no water license, so water rights need to be obtained. A member from the Ministry, re water licensing, is coming Monday & Ray T., will be at the meeting. From there, funding can be sought in stages. Fish in the creek also an issue.

b. Internet & network upgrades

Larry spoke with Vincent & he has been busy with other things, so this has not moved forward. There is a committee looking at overall internet upgrades in the valley. Vincent purchased a new router for the office & there is a possibility to move it out to the main part of the building & hook up the new printer that the DFIASS recently purchased.

c. Approve Financial Review

Motion: That we accept the Financial Review from TBJ for the year ended November 30, 2018.

Moved: Donna, Seconded: Michaelynn. Carried.

d. Carrier Pest Management Plan

Ray T., & Larry attended a meeting with Valley interests, Carrier & Regional District, yesterday, regarding this. Carrier has agreed to put a moratorium on any aerial spraying for 3 years & they will not be doing any spraying for this year. Jason, from Carrier agreed to send notice to Ray T., regarding when they will be spraying. Herbicide use falls under Federal rather than Provincial jurisdiction.

7. New Business

a. Business Investment Options (In-Camera)

Motion: To instruct the bank to move the GIC funds back into the regular bank account when it matures in August. Moved: Michaelynn, Seconded: Donna. Carried.

8. In-Camera session

Motion: To move into In-Camera. Moved: Kelly, Seconded: Ray J. Carried at 2008.

Motion: To move out of In-Camera. Moved: Chuck, Seconded: Donna. Carried at 2054.

Next meeting: August 28 at 1900 hrs.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Moved: Kelly, Seconded: Ray J. Carried at 2058.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly McNaughton
DCFS Secretary