

Dunster Community Forest Society  
Directors Meeting  
May 15, 2019

Called to order at 1900.

Present: Larry Stamm, Chuck McNaughton, Ray Thiessen, Ray Johnson, Michaelynn Kyjonka, Kelly McNaughton, Jeff McNaughton, Jan De Niet.

1. Adoption of Agenda

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

2. Minutes of the April 17, 2019 Meeting: Read.

Motion: To approve the minutes as amended. Moved: Kelly, Seconded: Michaelynn. Carried.

3. Treasurer's Report

Ray referred to Donna's report. Industrial Forest is first payment for 2020 seedlings.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Moved: Ray J. Seconded: Michaelynn. Carried.

4. Manager's Report

Ray referred to his report. He will be doing some walk-throughs on burned area up the Kiwa re losses. Forests for Tomorrow (old FRBC) funding is taken out of stumpage revenues . Using FFT funding for prescriptions & BC Rural Dividend funding for treatment. Re Inventory: site index is measurement of growth potential. All seedling over-runs have been sold off. Ray will be doing regen surveys in conjunction with supervising planting. Log prices are going to go down a bit this summer.

5. Correspondence

a. None.

6. Old Business & Business Arising from the Minutes

a. DCFS-DFASS contract

Larry heard that DFASS has signed the contract but has not had confirmation of same. Ray T., is uncertain how this is going to work or who he is working with from DFASS. Larry clarified that he expects DFASS will approach DCFS if they require assistance, but he has also heard that they are going ahead with grant applications on their own.

b. Field trip in June

Ray T., suggests targeting 2<sup>nd</sup> week in June. Kelly will send out email to committee members to see who would like to go along.

7. New Business

a. Internet & network upgrades

Some problems with WiFi & router dropping out in the winter, so Larry advised DFASS to proceed with costs to improve same at the School. A Telus cellular hub might improve service (internet speed & data), it may require purchase of approximately \$500 equipment & increase monthly costs by \$10-15. The committee was in agreement to go ahead with same.

b. Manager evaluation

General consensus is that the evaluation is comprehensive. Ray T., prefers 1 year contract format. Ray J., suggests 5 yr type plan – will incorporate in upcoming evaluation. Larry asked Ray T., to put together evaluation for Sarah & Vincent – Ray will put together for next meeting.

c. Carrier Pest Management Plan

Carrier has put out 5 yr. Plan for pest management. Glyphosate compounds can be sprayed via helicopter & backpack. The footprint of the DCFS has been removed from their plan. Ray T., has asked them for a yearly plan & they are in agreement with same. The plantations in the area are not young enough to be affected by spraying so they are looking at manual treatments. He will confirm that there will not be spraying within the DCFS footprint. Valemount has not used spraying recently but they have not removed it from their protocols.

d. Boreal Bioenergy Corporation letter of intent

The corporation does exist, but they have no obligation to disclose, so there is no data on them. The group has made no purchase in the area. There is no desire by the committee to sign the letter. Ray T., will email them that we will not be signing the letter.

Next Meeting: June 19, at 1900 hrs.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Moved: Kelly, Seconded: Ray J. Carried at 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly McNaughton  
DCFS Secretary