

Dunster Community Forest Society
Directors Meeting
May 9, 2018

Called to order at 1900 hrs.

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

Members Present: John Peterson, Margo Peterson.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda. Moved: Donna, Seconded: Kelly. Carried.

2. Minutes of the March 14, 2018 Meeting: Read.

Motion: To approve the minutes as amended. Moved: Ray J., Seconded: Donna. Carried.

3. Treasurer's Report

Donna referred to her report. Sarah is becoming the Ministry of Forests expert & will forward invoices to Donna. We will need to allocate further funds to the silviculture fund once we start logging.

Donna moved her report. Seconded: Ray J. Carried.

4. Manager's Report

Ray referred to his report. Ray needs to deal with a couple of slips on R road, for silviculture.

5. Correspondence

a. BC Community Forest Association invoices

They have sent another letter begging us to remain in the Association & sent another bill, including monies for past membership fees for approximately \$5000. There is a process for a variancy, regarding fees, which involves a phone conference. Ray presented them with information on how fees are operated with the Wood Lot Federation. The Community Forest has approximately the same amount of volume as the Wood Lot Federation.

Motion: Larry to write a letter to the BC Community Forest Association stating that we no longer want membership & will not be paying back owing membership fees, but we will revisit in the future.

Moved: Chuck, Seconded: Ray J. Carried.

b. Angeline Bate

Ray sent her a letter, addressing her concerns. She left Larry a note, at his home, stating that she has not received a response. Ray will resend the letter. Ray also sent copies of her letter & his response to DPG & MOTI.

6. Old Business & Business Arising from the Minutes

a. Change of Society name, purposes, & bylaws

All accomplished. We are now officially the Dunster Community Forest Society.

b. Community involvement initiatives

The involvement of all the community forests & wood lot could be advertised through a newspaper article – Ray will do with Andru McCracken. Ray is putting together a map delineating all the areas.

ie. which are wood lots & which are community forests. We do have 7 new members, from our recent published information articles. Ray will get Sarah to write an article regarding grants given out & trail

work being done & vet it through the Board, for publishing in local papers & on Pete's email. A quarterly information letter may also work.

7. New Business

a. Update of Policy Manual

We will work on this. Ray will have Sarah look at this.

b. Review for Ray

Larry will send these out. The review is due in June.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be June 20, 2018 at 1900 hrs.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Moved: Ray J., Seconded: Donna. Carried at 2035.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly McNaughton
DCFS Secretary