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REGULAR MEETING OF CHEAKAMUS COMMUNITY FOREST BOARD OF DIRECTORS THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020 12:30 - 2:30 P.M.

RMOW Municipal Hall – Piccolo Room 4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

PRESENT:

Chair, Jeff Fisher, Squamish Nation Kerry Mehaffey, Lil'wat Nation (phone) Arthur DeJong, RMOW

Forest Manager, Simon Murray, RPF Administrator, Heather Beresford

REGRETS:

Lucinda Phillips, Lil'wat Nation John Grills, RMOW

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by K. Mehaffey Seconded by A. DeJong

That Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors adopt the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors regular meeting agenda of March 5, 2020.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by J. Grills Seconded by A. DeJong

That Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors adopt the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors regular meeting minutes of December 5, 2019.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

 Forest Manager Report Forest Manager report discussion led by Simon Murray, CCF Forest Manager.

A. 2020 Plans:

- a. P07 discussion at FWAC about increasing retention levels but need to remain economically viable. Changing retention will lower log recovery volume. CCF policy allows retention to be lowered if road costs are greater than \$15/m. Allocated to Sqomish Forestry.
- b. Brew 04 in development. Continuation of previous work. Located in community watershed, higher retention required at creeks. Noted that commercial recreation tenure associated with the RV Park has a number of horse trails in the area. This site is a good harvesting opportunity.
- c. C09 Basalt Valley. Needs access resolved. S. Murray did site visit with quarry manager and industrial road access is possible. Will need coordination with FLNRO, RMOW/WDC, BC Hydro and the quarry owner. Budget estimate for road construction needs to be updated. Public would continue to use Loggers Lake road to access upper Cheakamus valley. See Section 3 of Forest Manager's report.
 - i. ACTION: S. Murray to organize meeting with all players.
- d. Fee 01 and Fee 02 F02 is multiple pieces, steep hillside, rough road up to Metal Dome hiking trail. LFV harvested ~20 patches 5 years ago. Will require cable yarding, Feasible, good timber but not a lot of volume. F01 should be done with P07 or R04
- e. Total estimated 2020 volume is 27,040m3 but very unlikely to harvest that amount.

B. Fuel Reduction Projects:

- a. Difficult discussions with FESBC/PWC regarding funding. Most expensive project in BC. CCF requested to cut costs.
- b. C03 was completed on budget. C04 is now in debris removal phase. Total C04 project cost estimate needs to be clarified. FESBC conditionally awarded \$628,000 over two years with RMOW to contribute remaining 25%. LFV will invoice hourly but must have tight monitoring and reporting to keep control of costs.
 - ACTION: C04 costs J. Fisher, S. Murray and K. Mehaffey to discuss further, adjust costs and respond to FESBC.
- N03/N04 no FESBC funds, RMOW does not have enough budget to undertake without external funding.
- d. C02 no funding unless money left over from C04.

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- N05 Wildland Urban Interface area of Cheakamus Crossing Phase II development. Discuss with RMOW/WDC as part of CCF clearing project on the development site.
- C. Forest Stewardship Plan Update:
 - a. FSP extension confirmed until August 2020
 - S. Angus is revising the invasive species control section as requested by FLNRO in order to get FSP approved.
 - c. A new FSP needs to be developed in 2020 by Forest Manager.
- 2. Carbon Project

Carbon project successfully completed and 38,559 tonnes for 2014 – 2018 tranche transferred to the provincial Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy.

The 33,031 units available for sale will cover the requirements of the RMOW and sales to the public over the next 5 years.

Discussion regarding use of carbon funds.

ACTION: review CCF carbon policy and discuss at next Board meeting.

3. Admin Budge

Reviewed latest draft budget. Still questions regarding silviculture account and harvesting income.

ACTION: S. Murray and K. Mehaffey to review admin budget.

ADJOURN

Moved by K. Mehaffey

That the Cheakamus Community Forest Board adjourn the March 5, 2020 Board of Directors' meeting at 2:27 p.m.

CARRIED

PRESIDENT: Jeff Fisher

RECORDING SECRETARY: Heather Beresford