



# WHISTLER

## MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF  
CHEAKAMUS COMMUNITY FOREST BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Monday, February 22, 2016, STARTING AT 2:30 P.M.  
In the Flute Room  
4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V0N 1B4**

### **PRESENT:**

Jeff Fisher, Chair, Squamish Nation  
Sue Maxwell, RMOW  
John Grills, RMOW  
Kerry Mehaffey, Lil'wat Nation  
Chief Dean Nelson, Lil'wat Nation

Tom Cole, RFP  
Heather Beresford, Administrator, RMOW  
Shannon Perry, Recording Secretary, RMOW

### **REGRETS:**

Chief Bill Williams, Squamish Nation

Meeting called to order 2:34 p.m.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Sue Maxwell  
Seconded by John Grills

**That** the Board of Directors adopt the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Director's Regular Meeting agenda of February 22, 2016.

CARRIED

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Kerry Mehaffey  
Seconded by Sue Maxwell

**That** the Board of Directors adopt the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors Regular Meeting minutes of December 9, 2015.

CARRIED

## AGENDA ITEMS

### General Services Agreement

Chief Dean Nelson entered the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

A discussion was held regarding the draft General Services Agreements for harvesting operations between the CCF and Squamish Forestry and Lil'wat Forestry Ventures. It was recommended by the RMOW representative that the agreement for November 2015 – December 31, 2016 be signed as a pilot program

These are long term agreements with recognition that harvesting benefits will balance out over the years. The Board's goal is to make decisions with the CCF best interests, honoring EBM plan and not just economic decisions.

The Board discussed the need for a detailed job description and clear understanding of the forest manager's role. Forest manager to assist with negotiations and rates for partners, plus sign the contracts. It was determined that following the 2016 pilot program, operations and any issues will be reviewed and resolved. In addition, the Board will develop clear governance and operations policies to improve clarity of CCF processes, and meet new BC Society Act requirements.

Actions:

- Prepare and sign 2015-2016 Squamish and Lil'wat contracts with block harvesting sharing.
- Rates to be reviewed for competitiveness, account for EBM related high costs. Suggested that rates be audited every two years.
- Develop governmental structures throughout 2016 and come up with a clear contract and guidelines.
- CCF Administrator and Tom Cole to draft policies and contracts.

Moved by Sue Maxwell  
Second by John Grills

**That** the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors agrees to sign the General Services Agreement with Squamish Forestry dated November 2015 – December 31, 2016 under the conditions passed below.

CARRIED

Moved by Sue Maxwell  
Second by John Grills

**That** the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors agrees to sign the General Services Agreement with Lil'wat Forestry Ventures dated November 2015 – December 31, 2016 under the conditions passed below.

CARRIED

Moved by Jeff Fisher  
Second by Kerry Mehaffey

Conditions of agreement signage:

- Forestry Manager signs contract (not Board Chair)
- Agreement to be reviewed after December 31, 2016
- CCF develop agreement with Forestry Manager
- CCF develop operations and governance policies during 2016

CARRIED

### **2016 Harvesting Plans**

A discussion was held by the CCF board and a motion was carried.

FWAC comments, open house response presented to the CCF board by Administrator. At this point no negative comments on harvesting plans have been received following open house or on social media feeds. One negative comment about proposed fuel thinning along Cheakamus Lake Road/Riverside Trails.

Moved by Jeff Fisher  
Second by Sue Maxwell

**That** the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors approves the 2016 harvest plan

CARRIED

### **Integrated Resource Mapping Project**

Integrated Resource Mapping Project (IRMP) was reviewed by the Board and a discussion was held.

General response to project was positive from all stakeholders. FWAC's comments were received by the CCF board recently and were mainly process oriented. Red and blue ecosystems were discussed and are to be considered.

Prior to October 2016, CCF discussed potential formal recognition of certain areas that are off limits, to provide assurance of protection to the community.

Discussion re: including IRMP in the Forest Stewardship Plan update due this year. Provides additional assurance to community, but concern that if there are changes to EBM Reserves, the FSP would also need to be amended.

#### **ACTION:**

Reconvene IRMP subcommittee to review the final additional protection map, approval at the next Board meeting.

Next steps:

Instead of individual response letter to AWARE, include their points and the outcomes in the IRMP final report currently being prepared.  
Include spreadsheet identifying each polygon and rationale for inclusion in the final IRMP report.  
Review T. Cole's draft EBM Reserves amendment policy and finalize.

**Access Management  
Planning 2016**

Discussion was held to review the draft project outline prepared by the subcommittee for access management planning 2016.

Discussed mapping out existing zones, values, what are priorities and considerations, and reviewing consequences of certain roads.  
CCF aim to have a decision matrix for the project plan including goals from outline document. A features (layer) map that will have options for review.

**ACTION:**

Subcommittee continue to draft project scope & distribute to Board.

**Carbon Project Sales  
Contract**

Discussion was held regarding the draft agreement specifically section 9.2 recently added by CCF legal team.

CCF amended 9.2 to read 60 instead of 10, suggested to add dispute resolution section and to back date where required.

**ACTION:**

J. Fisher will review the draft contract and then return to Brinkman for signing.

**Logo**

Two options reviewed and discussed by the Board.

- One option 2 tree minus the "fence"
- Large text preferred by some, others think could be more artistic.
- Bold the first letters of Cheakamus Community Forest, unbold the rest, justify words to left to CCF acronym can be read vertically

**ACTION:**

New edits can be circulated to the Board by email.

**New Business**

Forest Enhancement Society announced \$85M new funding. Details forthcoming.

Rethel Creek bridge is completed but over budget. Final payments being discussed with partners. BC Tel & BC Hydro have already paid.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Jeff Fisher

That the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors adjourn the February 22, 2016 Regular Meeting at 4:33 p.m.

  
CHAIR: Jeff Fisher