



Regular Board Meeting Minutes August 30, 2023

**Regular BCFC Board Meeting Minutes, August 30, 2023**

Meeting held at the BCFC Office, 1971 Peninsula Road, Ucluelet, BC

Attendance: Terry, Julian, Geoff, Ken, Gary

Absent: Noah, Dario

Staff: General Manager, Erik Holbek, RPF : Accounting Manager, Mike Williams

Guest: Nil

Notes: Ken Matthews

Meeting called to order by the Chair at 10:07 am

1) **Agenda Approval:**

Motion by Julian, seconded by Geoff, to adopt the agenda as presented. **Carried**

2) **Approval of minutes of the July 12, 2023, Regular BCFC Board meeting:**

Motion by Julian, seconded by Geoff, to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2023, BCFC Board regular meeting as presented. **Carried.**

3) **Forestry Manager Report: Erik Holbek**

a) Strategic Planning, Management Plan #2.

Erik noted that several days of work had been undertaken in recent weeks both in the field and in the office reviewing Lidar data and especially looking at forest or vegetation cover of many areas of the community forest to prepare the maps and data for timber supply analysis by our contractor, Forest Ecosystems Solutions (FES). Most of the adjustments to the maps have been made with a few more areas to review.

Key comments discussed by the Board.

- Erik asked about how the Board wanted areas to be labelled and recommended the Board move off the previous labelling of "Reserve Area" to something closer to the two or three class description used by the Province in looking at "Old Growth /Biodiversity conservation reports. The BoD agreed with this approach.
- Erik noted that all existing legislated conservation areas will remain reserved from any harvesting. An area west of Maggie lake, has been surveyed and deemed not suitable habitat for the intended species whereas other areas proposed by BCF are good habitat. Erik is working with BC Provincial endangered species biologists to exchange these areas.
- Erik noted several other changes to the work completed previously on a conservation strategy. His recommendations were approved by Directors.

Decision. The Board supported the work being done and asked that it be completed and submitted to FES for the timber supply analysis initial runs hopefully for discussion at the October meeting of the BoD.

b) B1000 Bridge

Bridge installation is complete.

c) Northshore Scaling Salvage Agreement number Two



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Northshore Scaling has met with Erik and discussed putting a proposal to additional cedar sawlog salvaging with the Barkley CF. Erik laid out several specific points of clarification needed for a second salvage agreement.

Directors asked to take a step back and look at the timing of a second salvage agreement and the financial implications of doing that now or would this harvest and revenue generation be better in the future. Much discussion.

Motion by Julian, seconded by Ken, to defer consideration of any salvage proposal until some time in the future. Director Geoff Lyons voted in opposition to the motion and wished that it be noted in the minutes. **Carried**

Erik will inform the proponent of the Board's decision not to proceed with a salvage proposal at this time.

d) Purchase of Weather station.

Erik explained on checking into the used weather station available, it was determined that the equipment and software was out of date and not suitable for use. Erik will now work to confirm who Barkley CF might partner with and where the weather station would best be set up to meet the needs of the owners.

e) Culturally modified log flown in error during Salvage.

This log remains intact in the field. Erik working with Toquaht Lands Director to finalize moving it.

f) Roads

Erik noted that the Barkley FSR would be shut down for a few days in early September by the Ministry of Forests for repair. All other roads in good condition.

Motion by Geoff, seconded by Gary, to accept the Forestry Manager's report . **Carried**

4) Financial Report, Accounting Manager: Mike Williams

Mike presented:

- the updated monthly income statement,
- the year-to-date income/expense statement compared to the 2023 BCF budget,
- balance sheet as of the end of July 2023.

Revenue from the salvage program will be less than forecast in the budget due to lower volume and value recovered. Revenues are better than forecast due to higher interest and use of term deposits. Expenditures remain on track, as per the budget.

Motion by Geoff, seconded by Ken, to accept the Financial Reports as at July 31, 2023 as presented. **Carried**



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**5) On-Going Business**

- a) DC3 Project Erik will be working on that project through the fall.
- b) Progress with UMBA. Erik continuing with discussions.\_
- c) Barkley CF Tour by District of Ucluelet mayor and Council members  
Mayor McEwen has an email from Erik on this issue and will arrange a date with her council which best accommodates their schedules and will get back to Erik.

**6) Correspondence** None noted

**7) New Business**

Confirming Board positions for July 2023 to June 2024.

Motion by Julian, seconded by Gary that the Board approve Geoff Lyons as BCF Board Treasurer, Ken Matthews as BCF Board Secretary, and Gary Johnsen as Board vice-chair for the current year July 2023 to June 2024. **Carried**

**8) Items brought out of In-Camera Meeting**

- a) Board has made a decision not to offer new funding to Redd Fish Restoration Society for work on the "A Walk in the Forest" project as per their July 24, 2023, request.

**9) Date of Next Regular Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting for the BCFC Board will be October 11 , 2023.

**10) Meeting Adjourned by Chair at approximately 12:51 pm.**

Approved: Terry Smith, Chair

Ken Matthews, Secretary