

Minutes of the Community Forest Advisory Committee (CFAC) Meeting
Community Forest Conference Room, 204-5606 Wharf Road, Sechelt, August 10, 2010

PRESENT: Tony Greenfield, Chair
Terry Hind
Barry Smith
Jim Smith
Lynda Coote, Recording Secretary

STAFF: Brian Smart, Professional Forester
Warren Hansen, Professional Forester
Jacquie Cunliffe, Administrator, Sunshine Coast Community Forest
Jo-Anne Frank, Director, Corporate Services, District of Sechelt

GUESTS: Glen Bonderud, SCPI Director

PUBLIC: Rodney Paul
Claudia Ferris

1. Call to Order
Tony Greenfield, Chair called the meeting to order at 7 pm.
2. Agenda
MOVED by Barry Smith, SECONDED by Jim Smith
THAT "The Community Forest Advisory Committee (CFAC) agenda be approved as circulated."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
3. Minutes
MOVED by Terry Hind, SECONDED by Barry Smith
THAT "The Community Forest Advisory Committee approve the circulated May 6, 2010 minutes."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
4. Business Arising
There was no business arising from the minutes.
5. Correspondence
There was no correspondence for receipt.
6. Committee Reports
There were no committee reports.
7. SCPI Management Report
In his absence, Kevin Davie circulated his written report which included the following topics:
 - Engineering
 - Logging
 - Planning
 - Value Added/EDPAC
 - Government Funding
 - Market Conditions.

8. New Business

8.1. Community Forest Operating Plan

Brian Smart reported there had been little feedback, even from the Open House, on the September 25, 2008 Community Forest Operational Plan (CFOP) Guidelines. He stated this unique plan incorporated public input and provided the guidelines and values of the Community Forest to the community.

CFAC members stated they were very satisfied with the plan, recognizing that it was a dynamic document that provided a framework and strategy coupled with consistent guidelines and checklists.

The deadline for further input will be October 1, 2010 after which, staff will prepare a final version for submission to the SCPI Board.

It was suggested that future walkabouts focus on community education and include areas such as old growth, sensitive and significant ecological areas, the new beaver ponds, wetlands, Hidden Grove, blowdowns and watershed management, as well as the timber areas in order to receive feedback on past practices.

The Community Forest has a mandate to keep the forest healthy through regular maintenance, especially in regard to fire and its possible consequences.

There was a brief update on the vandalism and illegal tree cutting at the Wormy Lake campsite. It was suggested that signage be installed which identified the campsite as a Community Forest initiative.

ACTIONS

- a) **Brian Smart will prepare a list of options for future walkabouts**
- b) **Staff will consider signage at Wormy Lake campsite.**

8.2. Logging Plans

Brian Smart briefly reviewed the maps which showed the proposed cut blocks for the next five to twenty year logging plan. He stated that once the cut blocks had been approved, harvesting would be dependent upon current market conditions and final decisions would be made in the field by professional foresters.

Staff will be looking for acknowledgment and acceptance from CFAC on the five year logging plan. It was noted this document was posted on the Community Forest website.

9. Governance

The Chair noted that the format at this meeting was different than at former meetings as the layout does not allow any separation of CFAC members and guests, thus it becomes more of a round table discussion.

It was acknowledged that while the public were invited to attend the meeting, CFAC members should discuss the issues, following Roberts Rules of Order.

9.1. New CFAC Members

Jim Smith presented the biographies of three potential nominees for the CFAC, Rodney Paul, Ken Birkin and Bradley Smith. Claudia Ferris also put her name forward. The Chair circulated Claudia's biography.

It was recommended that each candidate read and accept the current CFAC Terms of Reference before their names were considered for nomination.

The Chair will circulate the biographies to the current members by email and considerations will be completed by August 20, 2010. Nominations will be presented at the next CFAC meeting.

Barry Smith stated his commitment to sit as Vice Chair of CFAC.

Claudia Ferris requested clarification on the number of CFAC meetings each year and information on the transition to a permanent licence. Kevin Davie will be requested to contact Claudia Ferris and confirm the licence is a simple roll-over process.

ACTIONS

c) Tony Greenfield will circulate by email biographies on the CFAC nominees

d) Kevin Davie will contact Claudia Ferris regarding the permanent licence for the Community Forest.

10. Next Meeting

The next CFAC meeting will be **Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 7 pm** in the District of Sechelt Community Meeting Room if it is available or alternatively at the Community Forest Conference Room, 204-5606 Wharf Road, Sechelt.

Jacque Cunliffe will complete the logistics for this meeting, including room booking, agenda and advertising.

Brian Smart will prepare a short presentation on the proposed five year logging plan for the benefit of CFAC members.

11. Adjournment

The regular Community Forest Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 8.50 pm.

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Tony Greenfield, Chair

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Date

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CFAC Member

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