

SECHELT COMMUNITY PROJECTS INC.
(the "Corporation")

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON MONDAY,
OCTOBER 24, 2011 AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE SUNSHINE COAST COMMUNITY
FOREST CONFERENCE ROOM, SECHELT, B.C.**

PRESENT:

Bonderud, G. - Chair
Sitter, B. -Vice Chair
Anderson, S. - Director
Anderson, T. - Director
Frank, J. - Director
Greenfield, T. - Director
Moonen, P. - Director
Pinfold, T. - Director
Rudland, E. – Director

ALSO PRESENT:

Lasser, D. - Operations Manager
Harris, L. - Administrator

GUESTS:

Caroline Depatie - Sunshine Coast Trails Society
Mike Nelson, Cascade Environmental Resources

Call to Order

Glen Bonderud, Chair called the regular meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Agenda

The Agenda was reviewed and adopted with additions to Other Business.

1. **Minutes**

MOTION:

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED IT WAS RESOLVED that the Minutes of August 22, 2011 be received and that the minutes be approved with one correction to Section 5.

2. **Financial**

Richard Wilson, in his capacity as Corporate Accountant, reported on the year to date financial statements to September 30, 2011. It was noted there is currently no inventory remaining unsold. A discussion ensued about whether or not the downed timber remaining

on site in some older blocks can be utilized. As the cedar contains powder worm it is rendered almost valueless. Dave Lasser would like to attempt to find a local market for it.

MOTION:

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED IT WAS RESOLVED that the September 30, 2011 year to date financial statements of the Corporation be approved.

Richard explained the financial structure of SCCF Consulting Services. The Chair stated that a new employee contract between SCCFCS and the Operations Manager, separate from SCPI, will be drafted.

A discussion ensued regarding the pros and cons of keeping two separate company names, SCPI and SCCF.

ACTION: Jo-Anne Frank to explore implications with DOS lawyer.

A question was raised as to the District of Sechelt's knowledge of SCPI's current financial status. It was agreed that SCPI be put on the agenda of an upcoming DOS meeting which the Chair will attend.

ACTION: Jo-Anne Frank to add SCPI to the DOS Committee of the Whole meeting to be held November 9, 2011.

MOTION:

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED IT WAS RESOLVED that, at the request of the President, a donation be made to the Sunshine Coast Botanical Garden Society in lieu of the 2011 stipend.

3. **Operations Report**

(a) **Hidden Grove**

A question was raised if giving Section 56 status to Hidden Grove would affect SCPI's AAC. The result would be insignificant. The Sechelt Groves Society has given SCPI a letter of support to log Block AN9 and to use the Heritage Forest FSR in exchange for 1.9 ha of the block being exempt from logging. The MOF has given approval to use the FSR which will save a considerable amount in road building costs.

MOTION:

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED IT WAS RESOLVED that SCPI endorses and supports the Heritage Forest / Hidden Grove application to Section 56 status.

(b) A meeting with the Sechelt Indian Band was attended by the Operations Manager, Chair and President to discuss the draft Protocol Agreement.

(c) Wilson Creek Watershed Subcommittee

Dave Lasser listed the subcommittee attendees and explained his selection criteria when inviting them to participate. A good, open, professional discussion took place at the one meeting which has been held. A budget for the study will be created.

The Sunshine Coast Trails Society gave a presentation describing who they are and why they are seeking funding. The funding would be used to create a trail strategy for the Sunshine Coast and are seeking a \$25,000 contribution from SCCF which is the budget for phase one of the strategy. They have given a similar presentation to SCRCD who has provided a letter of support. The Board asked the Trails Society to give the same presentation to the District of Sechelt.

ACTION: Glen to inform Sunshine Coast Trails Society that SCCF is supportive of their goals, ask that they give their presentation to DOS and inform them that SCCF would not be prepared to provide any funding until 2012.

3. Operations Report cont'd

(d) Operations

The cutting permit for Angus Creek has been submitted. An extension to the FSP, with no changes, has been applied for. Approval for both is pending. The availability of harvest and road building bid packages has been advertised and they will be available at the office and on the website.

Dave was approached by an American entrepreneur who was visiting the coast and is interested in establishing mushroom "farms" within our harvested areas. He would require clear cut sites on which to inoculate the forest floor with spores utilizing the waste material as growing medium rather than the waste being piled and burned. Much interest was vocalized over this new, innovative idea, however, concern was raised about the introduction of non-native species.

ACTION: Dave to follow up to gather more information on this topic.

After discussion regarding contents of the Operations Report it was suggested that a meeting be arranged with the District of Sechelt to update them on the status of the Community Forest.

ACTION: Jo-Anne to add SCCF to the agenda of the In Camera session of the District of Sechelt open meeting on November 9, 2011.

MOTION:

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED IT WAS RESOLVED that the Operations Report be accepted.

4. **Economic Development Update**

The Economic Diversification Plan Executive Summary from Patrick Marshall, dated October 21, 2011 was received and reviewed. It was interpreted to state that SCCF cannot have much impact on the local economy and that economic change should be left to the local governments. Several ideas were discussed about how we could promote the Community Forest and how/where we could have some impact.

MOTION:

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED IT WAS RESOLVED that SCCF develop an interpretive sign program starting with Hidden Grove.

ACTION: Peter and Glen to arrange a meeting with the owner of local woodworking school.

ACTION: Peter to gather quotes for the creation of interpretive trail signs.

5. **Other Business**

(a) **Committees**

The Governance Committee is to convene to review the Terms of Reference for CFAC. The roles of the existing SCCF committees were discussed and a suggestion was put forth to restructure the existing committees to specific issue based ad-hoc committees.

(b) **Camp Byng**

Peter brought attention to the fact that many alleged hazard trees had recently been removed from Camp Byng. Prior to removal two trees had fallen during a storm event causing damage to buildings. It is another example of the need for education and it may be a good opportunity for an interpretive forest. SCCF Consulting Services could be available for consultation.

ACTION: Peter to ask the Boy Scouts to formally request assistance from SCCF with forest hazard identification and interpretive signage.

(c) **Nominations**

ACTION: As Chair of the Governance Committee, Elise is to contact each board member to ask if they will let their name stand for another term on the SCCF board.

8. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Monday December 12, 2011 at 9:00 am.

9. **Termination**

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 2:50 pm