

Sunshine Coast Community Forest 2020 Annual Report

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Our Mission: Creating a legacy for our citizens by being exceptional stewards of our forest while balancing environmental, economic and social aspirations of the community

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

David King, Chairman of the Board of Directors

It goes without saying that 2020 was an unexpected year. With no harvesting until the end of 2020, sales were less than budgeted however due to the extraordinary log market we have been able to issue dividends of \$225,890 to our shareholder, the District of Sechelt. Our Legacy Fund Committee was able to respond to our community's needs by making an exception to the grant criteria in response to the public health emergency beginning to unfold in the Spring of 2020. We were able to provide some support to local organizations who are critical to some of our community's most vulnerable at a time when there were changing gaps in services and funding.

Our Operations Manager, Dave Lasser, retired at the end of 2020. The Board of Directors is grateful to Dave for his hard work and dedication, and the 9 successful years we have had under his management. Through a competitive process we have engaged Warren Hansen of Chartwell Con- operating areas. From that harvest 2,385 cubic mesultants Ltd. to manage our Community Forest. Warren has broad forestry experience and has been working with our Community Forest since the beginning. We welcome Warren and are looking forward to achieving many great things together.

The board would like to thank our staff, vendors, and contractors who contribute to our success, as well as the District of Sechelt and the shishalh Nation for their ongoing support. The Board would also like to recognize our Directors Brian Anderson and Geoff Craig who have elected to step down to pursue other interests, and we thank them for their many years of volunteer service.

The Annual General Meeting of the Sunshine Coast Community Forest will be held via video conferencing on May 31 at 7PM. Our Community is welcome to attend this public meeting, and those who make it will enjoy a presentation on Ecosystem Based Management from renowned habitat ecologist Laurie Kremsater of Madrone Environmental Services. We hope to see you there – please visit our website for full meeting details.

Financial Summary

Profit & Loss	2020	2019	Cash Flows	2020	2019	Balance Sheet	2020	201
Revenues	524,500	58,800	Opening Balance	2,885,300	2,885,300	Cash	905,600	1,650,700
Cost of Sales	135,700	37,200	Operations	(608,700)	(608,700)	Other assets	1,093,700	249,000
Expenses	302,000	413,400	Dividends Paid	(625,900)	(625,900)	Property and Equip.	2,000	2,000
Net Income (Loss)	86,800	(391,700)	Interest	29,100	29,100	Assets	2,001,300	1,899,700
			Net Increase in Cash	(1,205,500)	(1,205,500)	Liabilities		
Changes in Equity						Current	186,000	118,500
Opening	1,274,900	2,292,400	Closing Balance	1,679,900	1,679,900	Long Term	257,100	284,000
Net Income	86,800	(391,700)					443,100	402,500
Dividends	(25,900)	(625,900)	As Always, our full audited financial statements are					
Closing	1,335,800	1,274,900	available on our website			Shareholder Equity	1,558,200	1,497,200

Donations

This year we had the opportunity to support the efforts of volunteers in our Community with donations to:

- Sunshine Coast Woodcrafter's Guild
- Sunshine Coast Trails Society
- Sechelt Rotary Club
- Les Petits du Pacifique
- Sunshine Coast Community Services
- Sargeant Bay Society

Annual General Meeting Monday, May 31st

7:00pm

The 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Sunshine Coast Community Forest Ltd. will take place via online meeting. Visit us online for meeting details or phone us for a call-in option.

OPERATIONS REPORT

SCCF Management Team

We had a slow start to 2020 as our Forest Stewardship Plan went through due process. We received final approval from the shishalh Nation and the Ministry of Forests for the plan in March, allowing us to apply for two cutting permits which were also approved by the Nation and the Ministry during the summer.

Harvesting started for the first time in two years during November 2020 within our Angus/Burnett ters was sold in 2020, and 100% of it was sold to Coastal BC mills and manufacturers.

We had to find new ways to do all of the things we usually do and we were still able to meet our silviculture commitments, declaring 4 blocks as free

growing, completing block monitoring surveys and manual brushing, and planting 3,600 seedlings. We also engaged with our community safely, made our firewood permits available online. and conducted all of our operations with a focus on keeping our business relationships local to the Sunshine Coast wherever possible.

Thank you to our Local Contractors

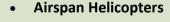
We are grateful to our local contractors for their professional service, and for helping us keep \$400,000 in operational spending in our Community in 2020.

- **RJM Contracting**
- Indian Isle Construction
- **Bill Wells Backhoe Services**
- James Killackey Silviculture
- Hi Line Log Service

Earth Day giveaway of pollinator friendly, fire resistant and drought tolerant native species seedlings.



242 Seedlings



- Sechelt Creek Contracting
- Fleming Tree Experts
- Sechelt Sign & Printing
- **RAM Enterprises**

Community



We moved our firewood program online safely giving out our free firewood permits. This program helps reduce demand for poached wood.





Our sixth annual WoodExpo showcased 27 talented local wood artists including the Sunshine Coast Woodcrafters Guild for over 300 attendees.

185 Free Permit

HABITAT RESTORATION With Sunshine Coast Wildlife Project

Two years ago, the Sunshine Coast Wildlife Project led a team of volunteers from the SC Trails Society and Community Forest to restore a wetland in an area burned by wildfire in 2015 within the Community Forest. This is one of many sites where the Sunshine Coast Wildlife Project and Sunshine Coast Community Forest are collaborating on wetlands restoration to improve habitat and climate change resilience in the Community Forest. The photo on the left was taken two years ago, and the photo on the right is the same place today.



Lower Mainland

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SUNSHINE COAST COMMUNITY FOREST LEGACY **FUND GRANTS**

