



Valemount Community Forest Limited Partnership

Regular Board Meeting

Minutes

Place: Valemount Industrial Park Office 3300 Highway 5 South

Date: **Monday, November 4th, 2019**

1. Call to Order: 4:10pm

Present: Ainslie Jackman, Gordon Carson, Vern Mickelson, John McGuire, Gerry Piper Peter Reimer, Ray Mikolash, Craig Pryor Jane Weeks

Regrets:

Guests:

2. Adoption of Agenda

R058-11-19 Motion: To adopt November 4th, 2019 agenda

Moved By: John McGuire

Seconded By: Gerry Piper

3. Adoption of Minutes

R059-11-19 Motion: To adopt minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting for October 7th, 2019.

Moved By: Gerry Piper

Seconded By:

4. Financial Reports

R059-11-19 Motion: To accept September 2019 Monthly financial VCF LP as presented.

Moved By: John McGuire

Seconded By: Vern Mickelson

R060-11-19 Motion: To accept September 2019 financials as presented for VCF Co. Ltd.

Moved By: Gerry Piper

Seconded By: Vern Mickelson

5. Presentation: N/A

6. Correspondence Received

a) 4 VCF community grant applications to date.



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7. Regular Reporting

- a) CF General Update (activity/mill site)

8. Old Business

- a) Broadcast Burning Motion required

Discussion Highlights:

Use local expertise and include the local fire base

Recommended by BC Government

Protects existing plantations

Planning at SITE PLAN stage so contractors can fulfill certain fire guarding steps before leaving the block and may include the Fire Base for the same such as 'black lining down'

Is there a good template that can be followed?

Debris piled in certain areas to 'pull' the fire.

BCTS burns their blocks or sometimes the logging contractor

Big companies tend NOT to burn because the liability is too great

Ray Mikolash will talk to BCTS (Clint) at Clearwater to clarify the steps they use to put a burn plan together.

Post-Harvest risk assessment on a Cedar Block would never pass.

Consider cost differences using Broad cast Burning versus Piling and burning. Benefit versus consequences

Financial analysis & Cost benefit analysis

Craig is concerned about liability if the liability can be removed then the VCF would do BB but burning is NOT a cheaper alternative but another 'tool in the tool box'

Consider

Fire Preparedness planning in general would like to see more burns in the interface forest around communities

R061-11-19 Motion: As a company consider Broad cast Burning as a hazard reduction and site preparation tool on logging blocks

Moved By: Ainslie Jackman

Seconded By: AIF



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9. New Business:

- a) Community Forests network Christmas planning: options
 - Three community forests with 3 way split for a catered Christmas dinner in Dunster-BYOB (Craig to discuss with other cf's)
 - Lunch meeting option
 - Carry on like we have before with our own Christmas dinner.
- b) MCFC- Ray Thiessen is the General Manager
- c) AAC: K2T 25,000m³ remaining, K5Q deep into the next year in over cut by 28,500m³. Reset is in 2021. VCF is allowed 18,000m³ overcut without penalty.
- d) Bridge costs were higher than projected by \$20,000.
Engineering required higher standard for the abutments (\$25000).
Craig is to check re: their (engineering) costs.

10. In camera- time: 5:00 pm

R062-11-19 Motion: To Move In-Camera

Moved By: Gerry Piper

Seconded By: Ray Mikolahs

11. Next Meeting

December 2nd, 2019

12. Adjournment

Time: 5:34pm

R063-11-19 Motion: To adjourn RB meeting

Moved By: Gerry Piper