



Valemount Community Forest Limited Partnership Regular Board Meeting

Minutes

Place: Valemount Industrial Park Office 3300 Highway 5 South

Date: Monday, October 5th, 2020

1. Call to Order: 3:00 pm

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

Regrets: John McGuire

Guests:

2. Adoption of Agenda

R100-10-20 Motion: To adopt October 5th, 2020 agenda

Moved By: Gordon Carson

Seconded By: Peter Reimer

3. Adoption of Minutes

R101-10-20 Motion: To adopt minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting for September 14th, 2020

Moved By: Vern Mickelson

Seconded By: Peter Reimer

4. Financial Reports

R102-10-20 Motion: To adopt Aug financials for VCF LP and VCF Co. Ltd.

Moved By: Peter Reimer

Seconded By: Gordon Carson

5. Presentation:

a) Ski Delegation-Sherri Malone, Silvio Gislimberti (VV)

The ski society is working with Valemount Glacier Destination to operate the ski hill under their agreement.

The Village is applying for about \$1million grant to purchase and install a 32M span 'forestry bridge' across the McLennan River. This bridge location is outside of the VCF area, it is within Mike Widell's woodlot W0276.

Discussion and questions from a VCF perspective:

Does it make sense to locate a bridge at that spot and does it make sense to own a bridge now for future use? It is good to have a bridge, but the install location is tricky with a steep slope that requires 'rip rap' and the south side is rock. A forestry bridge is better than an 'Ice bridge' as was in the ski society original discussion.



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In most cases the VCF would have minimal use of this bridge for harvesting purposes as the Westridge road is developed, the VCF prefers to continue use the Westridge FSR. The VCF could possibly assist with logging to assist in development of the ski hill and to open up the road access to the tow bar lift area.

The MOU between VCF and the VGD has expired.

Grant submission is on October 20, 2020

The Ski Society is requesting a letter of support.

For the VCF to consider owning the asset and carrying the liability of the bridge. This is a question for the VCF Board to answer.

Earlier Joe Nusse and John McGuire did a field site visit.

Joe Nusse has suggested that all geo technical and environmental studies have been done as well the PG District Manager and Mike Widell have worked things through.

Silvio and Joe leave the meeting at 3:28pm

Discussion:

Liability and bridge maintenance.

Conflict with industrial access and recreation.

Concern for a working forest getting cut up for recreation.

Advocate and educate; that recreation and working forests can work together over the same area, the landscape does change but trees are a renewable resource.

The VCF area is not a 'park' it is a working forest.

State in new agreement with VGD that the VCF will be logging.

Does VCF want to own the bridge? The VCF may take the bridge after the village and ski society are finished with it.

For the application who will own the asset? The VCF is not comfortable with owning the asset or being on the hook for maintenance at this time. What is the benefit to VCF of owning the bridge? To protect the Village or other from liability.

R103-10-20 Motion: The VCF Board supports the proposal and application for the forestry bridge to access the community tow rope lift area.

Moved By: Ainslie Jackman

Seconded By: Vern Mickelson



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6. Correspondence Received/ items of interest

- a) Request for letter of support CERIP application see motion and 5.a)
- b) VV letter Sept 16th 2020 see 6.a)

Discussion re: the benefit/convenience of holding these meetings together. Each year the VCF/VIP staff puts a lot of thought and planning into the Annual General Meetings. Advertising beyond the requirement, tours, food, slideshows and refreshments are what has been offered annually. All public are invited to the meetings, each year the incumbent Mayor has attended and some Councilors. Until the Covid 19 situation of 2020 an Annual BBQ has been part of public communication for business and politicians. The public is also welcomed to the monthly Regular Board Meetings.

The best time for the AGM's for the VCF/VIP is in early Spring each year.

Both businesses, annual updates and financials are covered in one dedicated meeting.

The VCF will have a Shareholder meeting and presentation annually whenever the Village wishes.

R104-10-20 Motion:

That the VCF & VIP Board of Directors will continue to hold independent Annual General Meetings. An Annual Shareholder meeting (Village of Valemount) will be arranged at the Village Council's convenience for both the Valemount Community Forest and Valemount Industrial Park.

Moved By: Gerry Piper

Seconded By: Gordon Carson

7. Regular Reporting

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

8. Old Business

- a) Village policies update and RMG-deferred to the next meeting.

9. New Business:

- a) **Directors' Resolution**

R105-10-20 Motion: Unanimous Directors' Resolutions of Valemount Community Forest Co. Ltd. (Please see attachment of full Resolution)



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10. In camera- time: 4:56pm

R106-10-20 Motion: to move In Camera

Moved By: Vern Mickelson

Seconded By: Ray Mikolash

11. Next Meeting

Reg Monday November 2nd, 2020

12. Adjournment

Time: 5:12pm

R107-10-20 Motion: To adjourn RB meeting

Moved By: Gerry Piper