

community Forest Valemount Community Forest Limited Partnership

**Regular Board Meeting** 

Agenda Place: Valemount Industrial Park Office 3300 Highway 5 South

Date: Monday, April 12th, 2021

1. <u>Call to Order</u>: 3:05

<u>Present:</u> Ainslie jackman, Gordon Carson, Ray Mikolash, Vern Mickelson, Craig Pryor, Janey Weeks <u>Regrets</u>: Peter Reimer, John McGuire, Gerry Piper <u>Guests:</u>

# 2. Adoption of Agenda

**R132-04-21 Motion:** To adopt April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 agenda Moved By: Ray Mikolash Seconded By: Gordon Carson

## 3. Adoption of Minutes

**R133-04-21 Motion:** To adopt minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting for March 1, 2021 Moved By: Ray Mikolash Seconded By: Vern Mickelson

4. Financial Reports

The VCF Board reviews the financials monthly. Request from the Board and update of future planning forecast and budget.

Financials are a draft for February 2021 – Annual audit is expected for the Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. **R134-04-21 Motion:** To accept the financials that are in the draft form. Moved By: Vern Mickelson Seconded By: Gordon Carson

## 6. Correspondence Received/items of interest

- a) Letter re: Bursary-the student had directed this letter to the Board rather than through the VSS. He was sent the information package that they would receive through the school and recommended to the VSS Councilor.
- b) Valemount community Bus Society- Thank you letter for the receipt of the cheques contributing to the new community bus \$5000. and annual maintenance \$500.



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c) Firm Foundations Christian Outreach-revitalization of a community calendar. This has historically been a good community fund-raiser; it had been done by another organization.

**R135-04-21 Motion:** To accept the proposal and to approve up to \$1200.00 as requested from the Discretionary Fund. Moved By: Vern Mickelson Seconded By: Gordon Carson

- 7. Regular Reporting
  - a) CF General Update (activity/mill site) March 2021

### 8. Old Business

- a) AGM date-NO date set
- b) Policies Committee- ongoing update and review
- c) Website- the website continues to be updated, advertising has been placed in the newspaper to direct the Mayor and Council and public to current information, activity and upcoming events meetings etc. The advertising is to heighten the profile and spot light of the business of the community forest and to bring awareness to the information that is available for the public to Mayor and Council. There seems to be a disconnect on information and communication received for Mayor and Council.
- d) Environmental update-A plan for a Community Knapweed pull is to be organized when the timing for plant removal is right. (late May/June) An area of particular concern is the viewpoint parking lot at Cranberry Marsh where the plants are large well established and threat the marsh land. Mountain Bluebirds have returned, they particularly enjoy nesting at the industrial park. Birds provide insect control and it is of mutual benefit. The VCF is to find a group (school or organization) to build bird nest boxes.



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- 9. New Business:
  - a) Mayor and Council-communication review.

The President Ainslie Jackman of the VCF Board of Directors has directly contacted Mayor Owen Torgerson and provided a letter to him that he said he would present to the meeting on Tuesday to share with Council. It is asking to meet with Mayor and Council to do a tour of the Valemount Industrial Park as soon as possible (next week). To re-establish best practices that may include changes to the method of communication as it has become apparent to the VCF Board of Directors that information and letters that are intended to be presented to the Mayor and Council are not being received by them.

- b) VARDA- \$5000 is provided to VARDA for on going trail building and maintenance for the Valemount Bike Park.
- c) Community Futures- interested in working with VCF/VIP regarding wood products and export. The VCF will make sure they are registered as a client.
- d) Logging and compliance WC04- the District Compliance Officers were pleased with the proactive approach and transparency from the Management and Supervisor of harvest to document and address the Site Plan infraction.

The VCF received a ticket for \$175.00

10. In camera- time: 4:15pm

**R136-04-21 Motion:** To move in-camera. Moved By: Vern Mickelson Seconded By: Ray Mikolash

- 11. <u>Next Meeting</u> Reg Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021
- 12. <u>Adjournment</u>

<u>Time</u>: 4:51pm

R137-04-21 Motion: To adjourn RB meeting Moved By: Ray Mikolash