

COMMUNITY FOREST Valemount Community Forest Limited Partnership **Regular Board Meeting**

Minutes Place: Valemount Community Forest Office 3300 Highway 5 South

Date: Monday, September 11, 2023

1. Call to Order: 4:16 pm

Present: Ainslie Jackman, Gordon Carson, Pete Pearson, Jr Osadchuk, Gerry Piper, Gerhard Oberauer, Eric Depenau, Village of Valemount CAO (Non- Voting Member), Craig Pryor, Manager and Tannis Worth, Assistant Administrator.

Regrets: Ray Mikolash

Guests: N/A

- 2. Adoption of Consent Amended Agenda and Minutes R259-09-23 Motion To adopt the September 11, 2023 Agenda and to adopt the minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting from August 1, 2023. Moved By: Pete Pearson Seconded By: Jr Osadchuk
- 3. Financial Reports R260-09-23 Motion: To adopt July 2023 Financials. Moved By: Pete Pearson Seconded By: Gordon Carson
- 4. Presentation a) Ski hill access and Pine Road – Joe Nusse Craig and Joe will explore road access
- 5. Correspondence Received/ items of interest a) none
- 6. <u>Regular Reporting</u>
 - a) CF General Update (VCF operations activity)
- 7. Old Business:
 - a) Forest Practice Board Audit Follow-up: There was a meeting last week via MS Teams with Craig and Alana and the auditors. The auditors' notes will be coming shortly and the VCF will have an opportunity to respond.
 - b) Incident Report Firefighting equipment follow up Inspection A follow up inspection was completed with zero infractions, more follow up to be done.
 - c) Employee surveys send to Ainslie to create on for both companies.
 - d) Dock update: The dock is in the water and being used. The newspaper has run a story on the dock. The sign is here but needs to be put up and we have the MOU between Valemount Community Forest and RDFFG.
- 8. New Business:
 - a) Simpcw First Nation- Raft River Event: Craig went to Clearwater for the Fish Ceremony. He was able to spend time with Chief Lampreau and others.



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- b) Loader purchase: When busy in the yard the mill needs a loader; VIP is paying approximately \$20,000 a month in rentals. Craig will pursue options and come back to the board next meeting with more information.
- c) Assistant Administrator: Tannis Worth has resigned effective September 22, 2023. The position has been posted.
- d) CAO departure Village of Valemount CAO, Eric Depenau has also resigned. He will be greatly missed by the VCF Board of Directors.
- 9. In camera- time:

A part of a council meeting must be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to one or more of the following: the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations. **R261-09-23 Motion:** To leave the Regular Meeting of the Valemount Community Forest and move in camera. Moved By: Gerry Piper Seconded By: Gerhard Oberauer

10. Next Meeting

Regular Board meeting Monday, October 16, 2023 at 3 pm.

11. Adjournment

<u>Time</u>: 6:46 pm **R262-09-23 Motion**: To adjourn Regular Board meeting. Moved By: Pete Pearson