

Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (BVCRB) Minutes

Date: April 18, 2017. Meeting convened at 6:30pm

Location: NWCC, Room 122/124, Smithers, BC

Board members in attendance:

Karen Price (Chair), Eric Becker (Vice Chair), Ron Vanderstar (Treasurer), Cor van der Meulen, Bryan Swansburg, Ted Vanderwart

Absent: Christoph Dietzfelbinger

Recorders: Laura Guillon (BVRC)

Guests: Curt Gesch, Darrell Hill (presenter)

Item	Discussion
Introduction /Agenda Review	Introductions Agenda accepted
Review of minutes from March, 2017 meeting	No minutes were taken at the last meeting. Board members took own notes.
Contact Information	Some board members are out of data range for long periods of time and may not answer emails right away. A document with contact information will be created in case members need to be contacted in a timelier manner.
Action Items from last meeting	<p>Venue for meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town office is available for free except for Tuesday nights • Moving meeting date to Monday is an option. • Action: Book town office for next two meetings on Mondays and see how it goes. • Action: Change meeting dates listed on website in May and June to Mondays. <p>Trade Show Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bryan will be away. • An assortment of maps has been donated to the BVCRB for display: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BV agriculture ○ TSA with corridors and landscape; recreational – Skeena region trails and parks ○ Orthoimagery map that is poor detail (a better quality one can be made for free at forestry office as a donation) ○ Land and resources management plan (LRMP) map (the LRMP zones are 20 years old but the best indicator of public consensus). • Board would prefer if the maps were of a similar size. • A draft poster describing the BVCRB that includes a map was approved with minor changes • The long and short questionnaire was approved

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An email was sent out with the volunteer schedule and some time slots were filled in the meeting. More volunteers are needed. • The back of the booth will only have a curtain. A board is needed for displaying the posters. • Action: Reprint LRMP as a larger map; build a better orthoimagery map and add mining sites. • Action: Print 125 posters • Action: Print 500 questionnaires • Action: Send email with updated schedule and ask past board members to volunteer • Action: Search for a backdrop to post the maps (Trade Show, BVRC, NWCC) or build one if not available. <p>Fall Fair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major topic to discuss at the meeting after the trade show. • Investigation into details has begun.
New Business	<p>Procedure for potentially volatile presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A great job was done during March’s meeting keeping everyone in order. The atmosphere was tense at the beginning, but improved by the end. There was a successful involvement of the public with people feeling that they were heard and they were not losing anything. • When introducing the presentation, a nominated moderator should make it clear to the audience that the presentation is to the board as an information session; the public are observers and as such cannot comment during the presentation. • Following the presentation, the BVCRB will ask questions first , then the public will have some time. <p>Review policy on public documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The BVCRB must be careful not to appear to be favoring one group over another (promoting one agenda over another). • Have at minimum one other board member to double check posts as policy. • If something is posted as an individual opinion, it must be marked as such and not as the view of the board. <p>Societies Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Societies Act came into effect November 28, 2016 and governs how societies (not-for-profit corporations) are created and run in B.C. The Act includes significant updates to allow for more flexibility in how societies operate, while still protecting the public interest. • Since the BVCRB is not considered a society, there are barriers when applying for insurance and fundraising. • Advantages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ability to get insurance for events ○ Easier time fundraising ○ A member of a society is not, in that capacity, liable for a debt or other liability of the society. The board is protected, especially when

	<p>money is involved (who is currently liable if any debts are incurred?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It would take some paperwork to get established, then simple reporting annually, ○ Required to report to revenue Canada concerning funds. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The BVCRB has gone 25 years without, so why apply now? ● Action: Take a couple months to read up and discuss with others about it <p>Smithers – Telkwa Bike Path</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tony is interested in presenting to the board on the Smithers to Telkwa bike path ● Action: set up presentation for June’s meeting <p>Alan Baxter - LRMP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● From PIR, will give an update on higher level monitoring plans. ● The BVCRB needs to have a better understanding of these. ● Action: set up presentation for future meeting <p>Operational Funding Shortage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The operating budget is dwindling, need to look into more funding options. ● Karen spoke with Tony (regional director from FLNRO), there are funding options if the BVCRB is interested in doing monitoring. ● Funding could go through the BVRC. ● Action: Members to discuss alternative funding options <p>Telkwa Coal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Currently not in a position to present to the board. ● Likely will schedule for fall. <p>Invasive Plant Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation by Darrell Hill (Field Coordinator, NWIPC) ● Reporting can be done by calling 1-866-44WEEDS or using the ‘Report-A-Weed’ App ● A current invasive weed list for the Bulkley IPMA will be provided
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Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. Next meeting 7:00 pm, May 15, 2017 (Smithers town office)

Actions

Task	Due	Responsibility
Book town office on Monday nights for the next two meetings	April 28, 2017	Ron
Update website to reflect new meeting dates	April 28, 2017	BVRC
Reprint LRMP map in a larger size, rework the orthoimagery map and put together a map with mining sites	May 5, 2017	Ron, Ted
Print 125 BVCRB posters for the trade show	May 5, 2017	Ted
Print 500 questionnaire’s for the trade show	May 5, 2017	Bryan
Arrange a volunteer schedule for the trade show, ask past	May 5, 2017	Cor

members to fill empty spots		
Source a backdrop for the maps at the trade show	May 5, 2017	Ted
Read up on Societies Act and discuss with others about options	June 19, 2017	All board members
Arrange presentation on Smithers to Telkwa bike path	June 19, 2017	No volunteer
Arrange presentation by Alan Baxter	TBA	TBA
Discuss funding options	May 15, 2017	Karen, Ron