

Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (BVCRB) Minutes

Meeting Date: December 9, 2008. Meeting convened at 7:00 PM, Alpenhorn meeting room, Smithers, BC

Board Members Present: Greg Storie (Chair), Jack Hagen, Dave Stevens, Jeff Anderson, Anne Harfenist, Rob Boyce, Taylor Bachrach, Peter Tweedie, Ben Heemskerk, Max Starr, Jill Dunbar (Executive Assistant)

Regrets/absent: Don Goalder, Wayne Tofsrud

Presenter: Morgan Hite

Visitors: Gary Quanstrom, Jim Easterday

Item	Discussion	Action	By Whom	By When
Agenda review	Agenda discussed.	Accept agenda.	Board Members	This meeting
Review of minutes of Nov 18, 2008	Minutes discussed.	Minutes accepted as presented.	Board Members	This meeting
Action items from the Nov 18, 2008 minutes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Prepare draft response to Davidson Project waste water discharge application.</i> 2. <i>Sign and send letter to Josette Wier.</i> 3. <i>Submit comments on draft RAMP response letter to Anne, finalize letter.</i> 4. <i>Investigate the Rogers communications tower circumstances – was there a referral process?</i> 5. <i>Invite Liz Williamson to next meeting or discuss by phone, re # 4 above.</i> 6. <i>Attend BC Trails Strategy Open House, assess need for BVCRB involvement.</i> 	<p>Draft prepared and circulated. Discuss further, later this meeting.</p> <p>Letter sent.</p> <p>Comments submitted. Discuss later this meeting.</p> <p>Discuss later this meeting.</p> <p>Liz was not available – she may attend January meeting.</p> <p>Meeting attended. Discuss later this meeting.</p>		

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	<p>7. <i>Check a sample of referrals for outcomes.</i></p> <p>8. <i>Invite Barry Smith or Margaret Marsland to a meeting to discuss planning/monitoring.</i></p> <p>9. <i>Finalize BVCRB brochure.</i></p> <p>10. <i>Check website use.</i></p> <p>11. <i>Order 4 BVCRB nametags from Outback Promotions.</i></p> <p>12. <i>Draft a BVCRB letterhead design.</i></p>	<p>Discuss later this meeting.</p> <p>Project stalled. Margaret has changed responsibilities.</p> <p>Draft brochure prepared, review this meeting.</p> <p>Jill has asked BC Web, no response yet.</p> <p>Nametags ordered, not ready yet.</p> <p>Update later this meeting.</p>		
MapChat Presentation	<p>Morgan Hite: MapChat provides a web-based map that is accessible to community members. Users can input their projects, comment on map features, and see what other users are doing. The Bulkley Valley is a test area for MapChat, which is hosted at the University of Waterloo (as well as in New Zealand). This could be a useful tool for the BVCRB. The Board could have a discussion group of its own, and open it up to the public as needed.</p>			
Subcommittee Reports/Issues/Correspondence	<p>1. Mining and Energy Development Thompson Creek Metals Davidson project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waste water discharge application: Jeff reviewed the eight main points of the draft response. Every member present provided comment and discussed whether they support the draft or not. Main concerns were that 	<p>Incorporate comments and restructure draft response to waste</p>	<p>Jeff</p>	<p>ASAP</p>

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	<p>BVCRB intent is not clear (i.e. does Board want government standards changed or does it want LRMP values protected?) and that we are relying on the expertise and professionalism of one Board member. It was decided that the letter should be structured as a one-page formal comment, signed by Greg, to clearly summarize our intent; and should include Jeff’s technical commentary as an addendum. Peer review not required as this is a public submission. As well, to preserve credibility of BVCRB, letter should have a more neutral tone.</p> <p>•EAA: The EAA process is on hold.</p> <p>2. Recreation BC Trails Strategy Open House: Discussion: There is an opportunity for the BVCRB to support this process, to perhaps participate as a “champion”, and to promote RAMP completion. Update on RAMP: Comments on draft letter have been submitted.</p> <p>3. Forestry, Range and Agriculture No items.</p> <p>4. LWBC Referrals and Land Tenures The Rogers communications tower: Was to be an item to discuss with Liz Williamson this meeting. Since she did not attend, Taylor will check by other means. Referral outcomes: Greg checked a few referrals that Board has responded to in the past, and found that the recreation referrals are being worked on and the Petursson application hasn’t gone through yet. Parking for Trail to Town: A well and a spring in close proximity to the proposed parking area would be in jeopardy of being polluted. Response to this issue is needed.</p>	<p>water discharge application.</p> <p>Prepare draft submission, circulate.</p> <p>Finalize letter and send out.</p> <p>Investigate Rogers tower circumstances.</p> <p>Prepare draft response for Board comment.</p>	<p>Dave</p> <p>Anne, Jill</p> <p>Taylor</p> <p>Dave</p>	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>Next meeting</p> <p>Next meeting</p>

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	<p>5. Water and Fish: No new business.</p> <p>6. Monitoring and Land Use Plans Letter to IAMC regarding LRMP monitoring: No response has been received by the Board to date.</p> <p>Babine Watershed Monitoring Trust: This group wishes to make a presentation to the Board regarding their monitoring framework. They plan to implement the framework and prepare an annual monitoring report for their area of interest. The group is working in conjunction with Valley Vision.</p>	<p>Follow up in January if no response received by then.</p> <p>Get background information and ask for a brief (half hour) presentation.</p>	<p>Greg</p> <p>Greg</p>	<p>January meeting</p> <p>Next meeting</p>
Administration	<p>Funding: There is no news on funding availability for the BVCRB from ILMB.</p> <p>Brochure: Board members should submit comments on the draft BVCRB brochure to Taylor.</p> <p>Letterhead: To be reconsidered – perhaps not needed.</p>	<p>Submit comments on draft brochure to Taylor.</p>	<p>Board Members</p>	<p>Next meeting</p>
Next Meeting	<p>January 12, 2009 7:00 PM, Alpenhorn Meeting Room.</p>			
Meeting adjourned 10 PM				