

**Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (BVCRB) Minutes**

**Meeting Date: May 12, 2009. Meeting convened at 7:00 PM, Alpenhorn meeting room, Smithers, BC**

**Board Members Present:** Greg Storie (Chair), Anne Harfenist, Rob Boyce, Peter Tweedie, Ben Heemskerk, Dave Stevens, Don Goalder, Taylor Bachrach, Jill Dunbar (Executive Assistant)

**Regrets/absent:** Jeff Anderson, Jack Hagen, Max Starr

**Visitors:** Jim Easterday, Outdoor Recreation Society

| <b>Item</b>  | <b>Discussion</b>   | <b>Action</b>  | <b>By Whom</b>       | <b>By When</b>      |
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| <b>Agenda review</b>                               | Agenda reviewed.  | <b>Accept agenda.</b>  | <b>Board Members</b> | <b>This meeting</b> |
| <b>Review of minutes of March 10, 2009</b>         | Minutes discussed.  | <b>Minutes accepted as presented.</b>  | <b>Board Members</b> | <b>This meeting</b> |
| <b>Review of minutes of April 14, 2009</b>         | Minutes discussed.  | <b>Minutes accepted as presented.</b>  | <b>Board Members</b> | <b>This meeting</b> |
| <b>Action items from minutes of April 14, 2009</b> | <p><i>1. RAMP Completion Project: Contact interested parties to establish a committee to set the process and establish Terms of Reference.</i></p> <p><i>2. Mining and Energy Development: Public Referrals for Mining Projects: Contact Loren Kelly of MEMPR to suggest that Valley Vision or Front Counter BC take on mining activity information dissemination.</i></p> <p><i>3. Forestry, Range and Agriculture: Telkwa Caribou Wildlife Habitat Area proposal: Prepare letter requesting analysis of effects of Telkwa Caribou WHA proposal.</i></p> <p><i>4. LWBC Referrals and Land Tenures: Prepare response to Front Counter BC re: Referral not received by BVCRB.</i></p> <p><i>5. Monitoring and Land Use Plans: Consult with Monitoring subcommittee members; make a proposal to full Board at a later date.</i></p> | <p><b>Anne will report on this item later this evening.</b></p> <p><b>Rob will address later this meeting.</b></p> <p><b>Discuss later this meeting.</b></p> <p><b>Letter has been sent.</b></p> <p><b>Jeff not present at this meeting to provide report.</b></p> |                      |                     |

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|  | <p>6. <i>BVCRB Flyer: Print and deliver flyers to Smithers Trade Show.</i></p> <p>7. <i>Newspaper article: Contact Taylor about preparing a newspaper article regarding BVCRB activities.</i></p>   | <p><b>Done. Taylor will send pdf of flyer to all members so they can distribute as needed.</b></p> <p><b>Taylor will prepare an article.</b></p>                                      |  |         |
| <p><b>Subcommittee Reports/Issues/Correspondence</b></p> | <p><b>1. Recreation</b><br/> <b>RAMP completion:</b> Anne: Recreation subcommittee members met and developed a plan for setting up a project committee. Responses have been received from user groups and invitations to meet will be sent out. The Driftwood Foundation will not be providing funding support. No response has been received yet from the Regional District regarding funding support.</p> <p><b>2. Mining and Energy Development</b><br/> <b>Public referrals for mining projects:</b> Rob has invited Loren Kelly of MEMPR to the next BVCRB meeting. Loren will make a presentation and speak to issues of interest to the Board. Items that the Board would like addressed include: Dissemination of mining activity information to the public; level of mining activity in the area; monitoring efforts; reclamation work proceeding and/or planned.</p> <p><b>3. Forestry, Range and Agriculture</b><br/> <b>Telkwa Caribou Wildlife Habitat Area proposal:</b> Response has been prepared by Peter. Comments will be incorporated and letter finalized.</p> <p><b>4. LWBC Referrals and Land Tenures</b><br/> Dave is aware of a referral that is circulating which the BVCRB did not receive. He will circulate it and prepare a response.</p> | <p><b>Continue with establishment of RAMP project committee.</b></p> <p><b>Incorporate comments and finalize letter.</b></p> <p><b>Circulate referral and prepare a response.</b></p> | <p><b>Recreation Subcommittee</b></p> <p><b>Peter</b></p> <p><b>Dave</b></p> |         |

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|   | <p><b>Kerr referral:</b> Referral was received after April 14 meeting with deadline of May 7. Therefore all Board comments were vetted by e-mail. Comments have been submitted to Front Counter BC.</p> <p><b>5. Water and Fish</b><br/>No new business.</p> <p><b>6. Monitoring and Land Use Plans</b><br/>Ben: Forest and Range Evaluation Program (FREP) may have information on monitoring that would be helpful to the BVCRB. (Link is: <a href="http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfp/frep/">http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfp/frep/</a>)<br/>Proposed newspaper article could cover referrals in general terms. Greg: Could invite representative from the Babine Watershed Monitoring Trust (BWMT) to talk about their monitoring framework.</p> |  |                                   |         |
| <b>Administration</b>   | <p><b>Signing authorities at the Bulkley Valley Credit Union:</b> Max Starr (former Board member) and Adrian de Groot (former Chair) are to be removed as BVCRB signing authorities. Taylor Bachrach (current Board member) (Tel. 250-846-9222) stays as a signing authority, and Greg Storie (BVCRB Chair) (Tel. 250-847-8839) is to be added as a new signing authority.</p>   | <b>Update signing authorities at BV Credit Union.</b>                                | <b>Applicable Board members</b>   |         |
| <b>Other business</b>   | <p><b>Wetsin'kwa Community Forest:</b> An amendment to the Forest Stewardship Plan is out – comments are due July 6, 2009.</p> <p><b>New member recruitment:</b> Three nominations have been submitted. The selection committee will meet on May 23, 2009.</p>   | <b>Don, Peter, and Ben will review the FSP. Greg will prepare a response letter.</b> | <b>Comments due July 6, 2009.</b> |         |
| <b>Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM<br/>Next Meeting: June 9, 2009</b> | Meeting will start at <b>6:30 PM</b> for annual dinner meeting, Alpenhorn Meeting Room.  |  |                                   |         |