

Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (BVCRB) Minutes, May 19, 2015. Meeting convened at 7:05 PM, Skeena-Stikine District office, Smithers, B. C. Board members in attendance: **Paddy Hirshfield (Acting Chair and Treasurer), Eric Becker (Vice Chair), Bob Mitchell, Jack Hagen, Joey Welch, Christoph Dietzfelbinger, Cor Vander Meulen.** Absent: **Ruth Lloyd, Karen Price, Tim Penninga.** Executive Assistant: **Jill Dunbar.**

Item	Discussion	Action
Agenda	Agenda accepted as presented.	
Minutes, April 21, 2015 meeting	Meeting with TransCanada is May 26, not May 25. Minutes accepted as revised.	
Action items from April 21, 2015 meeting	<p>1. Memorandum of Understanding with the BV Research Centre: Some items need clarification. Rick Budhwa is working on it. In the meantime, Paddy Hirshfield will send out the most recent MOU with the BVRC to Board members.</p> <p>2. Board Terms of Reference: Paddy and Tim Penninga are working on formatting the ToR and the final (for now) version will be ready soon. In future, issues of air and water quality and cumulative effects may be built into the ToR. Bob Mitchell is working on questions designed to collect public input as to Board priorities. Board member: The Skeena 2050 project used a good set of questions. Christoph Dietzfelbinger will forward these questions to Bob Mitchell.</p> <p>Karen Price and Paddy will develop the cumulative effects questions.</p> <p>The proposed Open House, which would provide opportunity for public input, will be held in September or October. Discussed further under new business below.</p> <p>Fall Fair booth: Not enough members are available this year but Board could consider this for a subsequent year.</p> <p>3. Website redesign: Board is proceeding with website redesign by Spark. Total will be about \$2500 including training and a manual. Jill Dunbar will be trained by Spark to do content updates. The redesigned site will have capacity for electronic surveys and an inbox to receive referrals.</p>	
New Business	<p>1. Open House: The Board will hold an Open House in the fall as a check-in with the community. It has been a long time since public input was obtained and this is necessary in order to represent community interests. A subcommittee will meet in August to plan this event. The event will be advertised using a variety of media. A survey with a set of concise questions will be presented to the public at the open house, on the website, and via face-to-face meetings with Board member colleagues, user groups and the community. A framework of current or typical issues that the Board deals with will be presented as a starting point. Survey results will help with future workload planning.</p> <p>2. Board member biographies: There are no objections to including Board member bio information on the website.</p>	

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	<p>3. Monitoring. Update on Babine Watershed Monitoring Trust: Karen Price is absent so this item is carried over to the next meeting. The Board will look at how the BWMT carries out monitoring by commissioning contractors, and the ballpark costs and time commitments.</p> <p>The pipeline subcommittee met May 19 to prepare for the May 25 meeting with TransCanada. Monitoring is one of the issues that will be discussed with TransCanada at the meeting next week. How can the Board be involved in monitoring effects on LRMP values (e.g. effectiveness of access control, rollback, seeding)?</p> <p>Discussion: The Board's role is to review monitoring information pertaining to LRMP values and make recommendations. It should not be too closely aligned with government. The State of the Forest reports looked at some of the values. Board monitoring work could dovetail with FREP and MVRA work. The Board needs to define the scope and scale of its monitoring efforts.</p> <p>4. Pellet plant proposal: For the June meeting, the Board is interested in two main issues: What will be the extent of the emissions and how will this be monitored; and what are the fibre species, sources and utilization standards. Time allowed at the meeting will be 30 minutes for the presentation and 30 minutes for discussion.</p>	
<p>Items for June 16 Meeting</p>	<p>Pellet plant presentation Board Terms of Reference Public survey questions and open house BWMT update and monitoring in general</p>	
<p>Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. Next meeting June 16, 2015, Skeena-Stikine District office. Annual dinner meeting. Dinner at 6 PM, meeting at 7 PM. Paddy will arrange catering.</p>		