Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (BVCRB) Minutes

Meeting Date: December 14, 2010. Meeting convened at 7:00 PM, Alpenhorn meeting room, Smithers, B. C.

Attendance: Board Members: Dave Stevens (Chair), Don Goalder, Jack Hagen, Ben Heemskerk, Trish Oosterhoff, Taylor Bachrach, Barry Smith, Jill Dunbar (Executive Assistant). **Visitors:** Dustin Harvey, Pierre Cote

Regrets/absent: Eugene Wittwer, Rob Maurer

Item	Discussion	Action	By Whom	By When
Snowmobiling Proposal Presentation	Dustin Harvey: Dustin has applied for commercial tenure through Front Counter BC for his snowmobiling business, which would entail machine rentals and guided tours in the Harold Price, Microwave, Seaton, and Blunt areas. The business needs to be incorporated in order for the application to proceed. BVCRB comments: There will likely be trade-offs between designated and unresolved areas as the RAMP proceeds, so there is uncertainty about the status of areas under this application. The Board will review the referral once it is available and consider how this might affect the RAMP.	Forward digital maps of proposed tenure areas to BVCRB.	Dustin Harvey	
Agenda review	Agenda for this meeting was reviewed.	Accept agenda.	Board Members	This meeting
Minutes of November 9, 2010	Minutes discussed. There is not currently a full roster of members, so quorum is considered to be 2/3 of members (i.e. 6 at this time). Minutes approved as presented.	Approve minutes of Nov 9, 2010.	Board Members	This meeting
Subcommittee	1. Recreation			
Reports/Issues/ Correspondence	RAMP Funding: Ben Heemskerk: Initial application to Real Estate Foundation, prepared by Emily McGiffen, has been submitted. If application proceeds to next step, a full application will be need to be prepared in January. Amount applied for: \$25,000.00 would cover summer RAMP. Deadline for MEC application is March, 2011.			
	2. Mining and Energy Development Rob Maurer: Rob provided information about action items to members by e-mail. See action items list below for details.			

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	3. Forestry, Range and Agriculture Taylor Bachrach: Telkwa Community Wildfire Protection Plan: The Telkwa North portion has a contentious cutblock proposed for it, and the Telkwa South portion is close to residential areas, so there will be issues	Keep Board apprised of TCWPP progress.	Taylor Bachrach	
	to deal with. Discussion: Harvesting will have to comply with the LRMP, and Telkwa council will need to exercise the authority given by the Province to approve plan activities outside their area of jurisdiction. Taylor will keep the Board informed of progress. Rob Maurer will keep Ray Chipeniuk informed as well.	Inform Ray Chipeniuk of TWCPP progress.	Rob Maurer	
	Jack Hagen: Adding to a discussion from last meeting, Jack provided information that PIR contributes \$127 million and 543 jobs to the local economy.	Circulate the PIR information to Board members.	Dave Stevens	
	4. LWBC Referrals and Land Tenures Cybernet towers: Taylor: Gave an overview of this issue for new members. The concerns are that putting up the towers before approval was obtained sets a precedent, and that visual quality should be a consideration of any development regardless of the LRMP zoning. Taylor will let the Board know when a decision about this case has been received.	Inform Board of Cybernet decision.	Taylor Bachrach	
	5. Water and Fish: No update.			
	6. Monitoring and Land Use Plans Petursson Road: This project is on hold, pending sale of three lots that the road provides access to.			
Administration	Membership: Selection Committee members are Rosemary Fox, Hans Smit, and Ray Carrier. Peter Tweedie stepped down for work reasons. Some recruitment of applicants is needed.	Send e-mail to user groups notifying them that we are seeking new	Trish Oosterhoff and Ben Heemskerk	

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		members. Post notice on Valley Vision website.		when
		Contact Eugene Wittwer regarding his BVCRB membership.	Dave Stevens	
	Signing authority: Signing authorities at BV Credit Union need to be updated.	Update signing authorities at BVCU.	Taylor Bachrach and Rob Maurer	
	Acronym review: Revision of LRMP to reflect new acronyms is on hold due to government reorganisation. This can be on the agenda for the "Revisiting the Balance" workshop.			
Other business	Proposed formal relationship with the Bulkley Valley Research Centre: Ben circulated notes from Rick Budhwa of the BVRC regarding a possible working relationship with the BVCRB. The Board feels that this	Invite Rick Budhwa of BVRC to a meeting.	Ben Heemskerk	
	would be beneficial. The Babine Watershed Monitoring Trust has a similar arrangement and could be contacted about their experience.	Contact BWMT.	Dave Stevens	
	BVCRB Terms of Reference: Taylor: The Board makes decisions on a consensus basis but when using e-mail communications it is unsure if consensus has been reached or not. Barry: The ground work can be done by e-mail, with final decisions made at Board meetings.			
	"Revisiting the Balance" workshop: Plans seem to be stalled.	Contact Glen Buhr.	Dave Stevens and Barry Smith	
Action items from November 9, 2010 meeting	 Distribute LRMP 101 presentation to Board members. Prepare a suggested redesign of the referral form, 	Done. Done, circulated to go	overnment reps.	

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	which includes information needed by the Board when			vv nen
	providing a response.			
	3. Look into availability of NWCC mining monitoring reports.	Done, reports are not readily available. Past Mining subcommittee activities: Rob Boyce not available at this time. Current mining activity: Rob will present at next meeting. Done.		
	4. Update Subcommittee roster with Taylor Bachrach on Recreation Subcommittee.			
	5. Contact Emily McGiffen, Town of Smithers, re: Funding support for RAMP.	Done, application to Real Estate Foundation submitted.		
	6. Check with Jane Lloyd-Smith of the MoF regarding possibility of other companies logging in the plan area.	Ben checked – this is not likely at this time.		
	7. Follow up with Jason Llewellyn at the Regional District for information about the subdivision advertised for the McKnight property.	Pending – awaiting response from Jason.		
	8. Contact David Dewit of the Office of the Wet'suwet'en about participation in the "Revisiting the Balance" workshop.	Done, David is interested.		
	9. Provide update on Telkwa Community Wildfire Protection Plan.	Done, see above.		
	10. Contact Tammy Anderson at Front Counter re additional info required for Motz application (6408311).	Maps were poor. Highways will formalize the road status.		
	11. Contact Rick Keim for updates on the Telkwa Caribou WHA proposal.	Barry Smith circulated his comments. Draft will be revised; Rick Keim will attend a future BVCRB meeting.		
	12. Update signing authorities at BVCU.	To be completed.		
	13. Contact Rosemary Fox, Hans Smit, Ray Carrier,	Done.	•	
	and/or Peter Tweedie to establish a new selection	Tabled – staff is in transition.		
	committee to fill Board vacancies. 14. Finalize letter to ILMB requesting core funding support for the BVCRB.			
Meeting adjourned 9:30	Next meeting: Jan 11, 2011, 7:00 PM, Alpenhorn	The Board will		
PM	Meeting Room.	continue to meet at the Alpenhorn.		