

Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (BVCRB) Minutes, January 20, 2016. Meeting convened at 7:00 PM, Skeena-Stikine District office, Smithers, B. C.

Board members in attendance: **Paddy Hirshfield (Acting Chair and Treasurer), Eric Becker (Vice Chair), Bob Mitchell, Christoph Dietzfelbinger, Karen Price, Ron Vanderstar.** Executive Assistant: **Jill Dunbar**

Absent with notice: **Ruth Lloyd, Cor van der Meulen, Joey Welch**

Member returning after LOA: **Mathias Westphal**

Item	Discussion
Introductions	Welcome to new member Ron Vanderstar and returning member Mathias Westphal.
Agenda review	Additions: Kalum Planning Committee, BVCU signatures, Quick land sale, invitation re ecosystem integrity letter, air quality. Agenda approved with revisions.
Review of minutes, Dec 15, 2015 meeting	Minutes are approved as presented.
Action items from the minutes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>BVCU signing authorities:</i> Paddy will remind Jeff Anderson to sign the docs; otherwise all taken care of. 2. <i>BV Airshed Society will be invited to the January meeting, to describe their activities and discuss potential synergies.</i> Paddy has contacted Dave Stevens and is waiting for response. Discussed further below. 3. <i>Follow-up with FLNRO on air quality monitoring.</i> Board will wait for Dave Stevens' input first. 4. <i>Karen will follow up with Ruth regarding coarse woody debris impacts/changes that may result from the NewPro proposal.</i> Paddy will work with Karen and Ruth on this. Carried over. 5. <i>Jill will check with Spark re: details of search capability for website.</i> Jill will ask for more clarification. 6. <i>Paddy will draft a job description for a resource person, for Board member review.</i> Project carried forward to a future date.
Old business	<p>Website: Jill will check broken links and Board member bios.</p> <p>Telkwa RAMGroup: Telkwa Recreation Access Management Group: Update: Facilitator has met with groups. Purpose is to work with biologists and maintain access, and process is consensus-based. A package will be presented to the DDM for evaluation and decision, with enforceable mandatory conditions. BVCRB has been asked to assist with funding report writer jointly with MOE. Discussion: This might be good PR for CRB if promoted properly.</p>

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	<p>BV Airshed Society: Discussion: Issue is monitoring. Board needs to know what the Airshed Society is doing in order to proceed without overlap. DDM decision on the pellet plant project will be in late Jan/early Feb. Paddy will prepare and circulate a draft email to the DDM stating that we have concerns about the monitoring of emissions, and that we would like to know what is planned. Is it within Board mandate? Air quality influences LRMP values; there have been changes since the LRMP was written, e.g. climate change and pipelines which were not addressed by the LRMP; the LRMP is not the only concern of the Board.</p> <p>Quick land sale: Decision hasn't been made yet. Government is taking a closer look.</p> <p>Ecosystem Integrity letter: Board needs to monitor the status of the network in light of beetle attack, firewood cutting, pipelines, driveways, and moving/exchange of CE's. Will wait to hear from the DM about a meeting date.</p>
New Business	<p>Values matrix: Discussion: Could be a useful tool for member recruitment, since it shows where the gaps are, and helps in keeping the membership diverse. However, it is not accurate since applicants identify only four values where in reality they have a broad range of values, and values are not ranked. We want to recruit people who are interested in broad discussions. Letting the public know what topics are upcoming will help with recruitment. Members can review the matrix when writing letters to make sure values are considered and represented.</p> <p>Kalum Plan Implementation Committee: This group, similar to the BVCRB, is getting going again. We can exchange info/minutes and attend meetings when opportune.</p>
Administration	<p>Financial report: Board funds are at BV Research Centre – for RAMP and admin/bookkeeping, and at BVCU for projects. Will need to report to FLNRO in March or April.</p>
<p>Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM. Next meeting February 16, 2016, Skeena-Stikine District office, 7 PM.</p>	