

Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board (BVCRB) Minutes

Meeting Date: April 8, 2008. Meeting convened at 7:00 PM, Alpenhorn meeting room

Board Members Present: Adrian de Groot, Rob Boyce, Dave Stevens, Peter Tweedie, Greg Storie, Taylor Bachrach, Jeff Anderson, Anne Harfenist, Jill Dunbar (Executive Assistant)

Visitors/Presenters: Jim Easterday (ORS), Gary Quanstrom

Item	Discussion	Action	By Whom	By When
Agenda review	Additions to agenda: Blue Pearl Feasibility Study, Community Forest Society Recreation Reserve application, Babine River Corridor Park planning update, member recruitment.	Accept agenda with additions.	Board Members	This meeting
Review of minutes of March 11, 2008	Minutes discussed.	Minutes accepted as presented.	Board Members	This meeting
Action items from the March 11, 2008 minutes	<p>1. Recreation: RAMP aftermath discussion: <i>Prepare a briefing note and organize a meeting with Dennis McKay</i></p> <p>2. LWBC Referrals and Land Tenures: Ski and Ride Smithers draft master plan: <i>Provide feedback to Terry Pratt on review timelines for Vow's and recreation access routes.</i></p> <p>3. Jack De Coteau agriculture referral: <i>Check zoning, discuss with Lands, prepare draft letter.</i></p> <p>4. Monitoring and Land Use Plans: Babine River Corridor Park: <i>Contact Jeff Anderson for update.</i></p>	<p>1. Completed - discuss later this meeting.</p> <p>2. Adrian sent e-mail to Terry; Peter spoke with Terry about amending the LRMP. Will discuss further, this meeting.</p> <p>3. Discuss later this meeting.</p> <p>4. Jeff will provide update, later this meeting.</p>		
Subcommittee Reports/Issues/Correspondence	<p>1. Mining and Energy Development: Telkwa TWIG: Rob: This group is no longer in operation. Project is quiet and NorWest has interests elsewhere. Water sampling program is also not occurring. Blue Pearl Feasibility Study: Study is complete. Timeline for submission of Environmental Assessment is unknown. Accuracy of profitability figures questioned; possible involvement of Federal</p>			

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	<p>government in EA due to effluent management and effect on fisheries resource discussed.</p> <p>2. Recreation: RAMP completion: Meeting with Dennis McKay was positive. McKay sent a letter supporting the project to Pat Bell. Thank you letter to McKay needed ASAP, plus letter to Bell if no response by next meeting. Round Lake application: Greg will check that this is consistent with the LRMP. Dave will check for digital version of application and circulate if available. Area partly covers Ag/Wildlife management area, which should be pointed out in our response. Anne will prepare written response.</p> <p>3. Forestry, Range and Agriculture: Ray Chipeniuk letter re Chapman Rd BCTS timber sale: Ray requests that (1) BVCRB asks BCTS for a cost/benefit analysis; (2) LRMP be amended. Discussion: Peter has met with BCTS – zoning allows timber extraction, stand has MPB attack, transportation issues have largely been solved. Some critical winter range has been examined and removed from the sale area. MoFR hydrologists will be looking at water resources in the area. It is not BVCRB’s mandate to ask for C/B analysis. LRMP amendment process will be provided to Ray. Community Forest Society Recreation Reserve application: Dave will talk to Jason Gilkes for clarification of the purpose of this application.</p> <p>4. LWBC Referrals and Land Tenures: Ski and Ride Smithers master plan update: Public access to Crater Lake and ice climbing area must be assured – wording in plan needs to be amended to reflect this. The phrase “until development occurs” should be omitted.</p>	<p>Prepare follow-up letter for Dennis McKay.</p> <p>Check zoning. Circulate application if digital version available. Prepare draft response.</p> <p>Prepare draft response.</p> <p>Meet with Jason Gilkes.</p> <p>Prepare reply about public access concerns.</p>	<p>Taylor Bachrach</p> <p>Greg Storie Dave Stevens Anne Harfinest</p> <p>Peter Tweedie</p> <p>Dave Stevens</p> <p>Anne Harfinest</p>	<p>ASAP</p>

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	<p>VQO's: Night views and lighting have not been addressed. District Manager can approve amended VQO's without amending the LRMP. DM must be satisfied that the VQO is appropriate and the advertising time frame was reasonable. A photo mock-up of the village at night is needed. Our response to DM should state that VQO's are an issue and that we would like to know that the public has been consulted.</p> <p>Lift D: Goes through mountain goat habitat. BVCRB should not sign off Pratt's letter due to objection to this.</p> <p>Trail to Town: Timber extraction and hauling hasn't been addressed. Gary Quanstrom will recirculate his letter, which could go as an attachment to our response.</p> <p>Jack De Coteau extensive agriculture referral: Dave spoke with Liz Williamson – this is under the provincial “Extensive Agriculture Development Program”. Covenants can be applied if needed, so that LRMP values are maintained when area becomes private.</p> <p>5. Water and Fish: No items.</p> <p>6. Monitoring and Land Use Plans: Babine River Corridor Park planning: Jeff: Meetings have focused on providing background information to date. Next Thursday is the last of these, and then negotiations begin. Area of concern is the 100 m corridor from bridge to Nichyeskwa River only, where human-bear interactions are strong. Balance of the park plan will be dealt with in-house. Jeff will provide a summary following the next meeting.</p>	<p>Prepare response to District Manager</p> <p>Check if arability survey has been done and prepare draft response.</p>	<p>Greg Storie</p> <p>Dave Stevens</p>	

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Administration	New Member Selection: Three members will be leaving the BVCRB. Advertising in the local newspaper for new members will be required. Values that need to be represented should be stated in detail in the advertising.	Initiate the recruitment process.	Adrian	
Next BVCRB Meeting	May 13, 2008, Alpenhorn meeting room, 7:00 PM			
Meeting adjourned 10:30 PM				