

# BV Community Resource Board

## Final Minutes Sep 15, 2025

### Present:

Directors: Anne Hetherington, Ron Vanderstar, Petra McDougall, Ted Vanderwart

Secretary: Sue Brookes

Public: none present

Next Meeting: Oct 20th, 7pm, Smithers Council Chambers

Meeting convened at 7:05pm

Chair: Ted Vanderwart

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## 1. Review of Agenda Items

Motion to approve the agenda by Ted. Ron seconded. All in favour.

Kevin sent his regrets.

Some background was provided for Petra regarding the Controlled Recreation Area (CRA) expansion and Hudson Bay Mountain Resort's (HBM) definition of a facility.

## 2. Motions

1. Motion to approve the June 16, 2025 Minutes. Anne motioned to approve, Ted seconded, all voted in favour. (Some grammatical adjustments required.)

## 3. Correspondance

Review of summer correspondence received from Tara Dunphy and Lori Halls.

Posted on line here: <https://bvcrb.ca/about/minutes/>.

- Further discussion needed about the Cattlemen's predator concern and biologists' input. It was thought we should have a workshop.

**Action Items\*\*** Sue to create a table to chart correspondence items, responses and status  
**Action Items\*\*** Sue invite the Cattlemen to the next meeting. Anne try to follow up with Anne-Marie, the biologist mentioned by Tara Dunphy.

Review of the Tenas Coal material forwarded by Ted.

## 4. Referrals

Forestry: formally request this be done through the FLP, as part of Local Governmentally chaired workshops. Refer to the update from the Forestry Working Group below for notes on standardized reference maps to support more effective and constructive public input.

### **Action Items\*\***

Lands: ask to review Tantalus format with Lands Officer and see if an additional column might help link legal and non legal direction sections.

Check with Front Counter that CRB has a valid BCID for accessing and responding to public referrals. Check individual BCIDs also.

Work with MOF and WLRS to link effectiveness and implementation monitoring for LRMPs and related planning.

## 5. Forestry Working Group (FWG) Update

The group is working to address solutions that promote healthy forests versus a healthy trees. The group will pilot a local area based logging project using 2 phase logging. This is a different type of partial cutting. The idea is to invite loggers in to look at the forest structure.

Enhanced Timber Development Areas (ETD's) - these are areas designated to grow fibre for the purposes of logging and milling.

Core Ecosystems and Landscape corridors are not being managed as outlined.

The FLP administrators are trying to rewrite the LRMP incorrectly citing it as out of date though it is a living document and was never a static plan.

Meetings/calls with Ron V, Marvin S, Wetzinkwa, Ron, Len and Nick.

Draft Workshop Topics and outlines.

- Nick has arranged the Town of Smithers to chair meetings and they are now defining expected outcomes and accountability.
- potential funding and support
- the group would like to recruit technical and public participation

Tyhee Lake and Date Creek discussions.

Mapping:

1. It's apparent we need to consolidate maps both printed and on line.
2. Definitions and borders are intentionally lost with ambiguous maps, they fail in usefulness.
3. Maps need overlays for trails, LRMP values and more.
4. Wetzink'wa and PIR have agreed they would welcome maps showing long term planing goals and future desired conditions.

**Action Item\*\*** Anne to bring a sample map next meeting. She will also contact Glen Buhr for a shape file based on the LRMP.

**Action Item\*\*** Anne to provide a list of 7 potential workshops the group is considering. Identification of barriers being one.

## 6. Treasurer's Report

\$4300 in the bank - discussion about fundraising deferred.

Ron will stay on for now but ready to hand off the position of Treasurer anytime.

The fixed expenses include the recording secretary's expense of approx. \$3500/year and web hosting for approx. \$200/year.

The Town has so far continued to donate Council chambers as a meeting space.

## 7. Review of Open Action Items

Open Action Items are found on the next page.

## 8. Motion to adjourn

1. Motioned by Anne, Ron seconded, all in favour. Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

## Action Items

type	task	who	date
Referrals	Lands: ask to review Tantalus format with Lands Officer and see if an additional column might help link legal and non legal direction sections. Check with Front Counter that CRB has a valid BCID for accessing and responding to public referrals. Check individual BCIDs also. Work with MOF and WLRS to link effectiveness and implementation monitoring for LRMPs and related planning.	All	May 2025
Invitation	Cattlemen regarding a workshop for solutions for predator control alongside with biological analysis.	Sue, Anne	Sep 2025
FWG	Anne to provide a list of 7 potential workshops the group is considering. Identification of barriers being one.	Anne	Sep 2025
FWG	Anne to bring a sample map next meeting. She will also contact Glen Buhr for a shape file based on the LRMP.	Anne	Sep 2025
Correspondence	Create a table to summarize and track correspondence	Sue	Sep 2025
Correspondence	Follow up with BCHydro regarding Walcott and wire technologies available in California and why they are not using the same.	Sue	Jun 2025
Post	Community Resources Board & BV Stewardship Coalition Teams meeting May 7, 2025, DM to CRB_WHMA'sResponse, TD to CRB GrizMngmntResponse.pdf, TD to BCCattlemenResponsePredator&FLP.pdf	Sue	Jun 2025
Correspondence	Keep Mitch Flowers in the loop about the CRA:mitchelljflowers@gmail.com	Sue	Jun 2025
Correspondence	Draft a letter for Ron and Board to approve, in support of using the spatial modelling app: Patchworks in the Bulkley TSA. Add a blip about what happened with the Bulkley Valley integrated silviculture strategy - under Glen Buhr - this was supposed to have a spatial component what happened?	Anne	Nov 2024
Ongoing	Drop a print copy of the agenda and relevant documents to Ron's house prior to the start of the next meeting.	Anne	Mar 2025
Ongoing	FLP Forestry Working Group (FWG) meetings, this is ongoing with Anne as the coordinator and Nic, a contributor and representing the Wet'suwet'en First Nation	Anne and Nic	Apr 2025
Ongoing	BC Environmental Office (EAO) - Ted will be the liaison	Ted	Apr 2025