# BVCRB-Bulkley Valley Community Resource Board Draft Minutes

Date: Jan 20 2020, Smithers Town Office

Present: Ron Vanderstar, Brian Swansberg, Eric Becker, Dave Stevens, Jeff McKay, Matt Sear, Christof Dietzfelbinger, Bob Mitchell, Sue Brookes

Absent:John Fisher, Ted VanderwartChair:MattRecording:Sue

Next Meeting Date: Feb 17, 2020 Smithers Council Chambers 7pm

## 1. Presentation

# Jim Pojar - rescheduled for Feb 17th

Al\*\*\*: Ron to remind Jim Pojar to come again next month

Al\*\*\*: Sue get the instructions on the video/projector feed and go again on the day of Jim's presentation before the office closes.

#### 2. Organizational

Al\*\*\*: Eric to resend new member papers to Jeff.

Motion to hold over draft minutes from December for a second copy and Directors comments. All seconded.

#### 3. Financial Report:

- funds in the kitty, roughly \$12000.
- just over \$2300 remaining reserved for winter RAMP
- 'public liaison' funding of the Wetzin'kwa funds is now used up

#### 4. Review of the winter RAMP.

- · Brandy says her office has it on low priority for the next year
- Jeff is contacting Ben Heemskerk to find out the historical process for the last RAMP so we can find out how we were involved. This way we can answer Brandy's questions and say what the process could look like.

Al\*\*\*: Sue look at document history in web to find this info.

AI\*\*\*: Jeff to contact Ben H.

Al\*\*\*: Ron to contact Brandy about our research.

## 5. WHMAs

- background: Crown land parcels in the timber harvesting land base, these parcels might be UREPS, fish and wildlife reserves or WHMAs, they never got legal status
- LANDS is removing the special notation on these parcels and their motivation or process is unknown, there is already development 'a road' on one designation we only just found out was lost
- According to an interview with Buhr "unless there's a really valid reason to maintain these, they're removed."
- some WHMAs overlap with ADAs, a Ministry of Agriculture designation, agricultural development areas
- ADAS are not getting deleted-possibly because they are making money somehow
- most people in government know this is going on. If LANDS gets a request from a proponent to occupy the land, they no longer are obliged to mention these designations. Although these designations exist in the forestry world, this jeopardizes long term certainty and the LRMP.
- · once there's some review we'll consider next steps

Al\*\*\*: Ron and Matt to go over what Ron has collected, possibly talk to Jeff, Eamon and/or Bobby Love

# Other:

Al\*\*\*: invite Curtis Paul for March

Al\*\*\*: invite Ryan for after Jim in Feb. rejuvenated land use planning in the province

## Noted:

- issue a future invitation to BCTS along the lines of high level planning and how they are meeting aspects of the LRMP

	task	who
1	Find out more on why UREP's, WHMA's are losing designation, talk to Provincial contacts	Committee for Conservation Lands in the BV
2	Consider invitation to Curtis Paul for March	Bob
3	Invite Ryan Holmes after Jim for Feb	Bob
4	goto Town office and get documentation on how to to use projector, sticky the projector the day off presentation with note!	Sue
5	Resent welcome new member package to Jeff	Eric
6	Jeff to contact Ben Heemskerk about the winter RAMP, Sue to dig up same on line	Sue Jeff

#### Meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.