

McBride Community Forest Corporation

Minutes of the Directors' Meeting June 2, 2010

Meeting Called to order at 7:02 pm

Members Present: Director Irene Rejman
Director Mike Frazier
Director Rick Thompson
Director Eliana Clements

Staff Present: Marc von der Gonna – General Manager & Secretary
Bob Elliott – Operations Supervisor

8 members of the general public were in attendance.

Appointment of Chair.

Clements/Frazier

Motion to appoint Rick Thompson as Chair.

CARRIED

1. Approval of Agenda

Thompson/Frazier

Motion to approve the agenda.

CARRIED

2. Reading and Approving of the Minutes.

Rejman/Clements

Motion to adopt the minutes from the May 5, 2010 board meeting.

CARRIED

3. Introduction of Late Items:

Marc indicated that he would be unable to attend the July board meeting due to scheduled holidays.

Thompson/Clements

Motion to move the July board meeting to July 12, 2010 at 7:00 p.m..

CARRIED

4. Delegates:

None. Chair Thompson reminded the public about the process to get on the agenda as a delegate. Marc informed the crowd that delegate request forms were available during regular office hours at the MCFC office.

5. Unfinished Business:

None.

6. Reports:

- Committee Reports: Chair Thompson inquired whether or not an ad have been place in the local paper as per last month's discussions. Marc presented the committee with a letter from the Elks/Royal Purple requesting funding support for Pioneer Days.
- Operations - Bob reported that currently there was no logging operations. He was currently doing a clean up project all along Mountainview Road, whereby we were moving abandoned wood into the log yard and piling debris piles for burning this fall/winter. He was also busy with maintaining our summer recreation sites.
- General Manager's reports – Marc reported that he has spent a considerable amount of time in May doing field reviews of logged areas, primarily in preparation for our planting program. He has also been busy with BCCFA activities: preparing for the annual conference June 3-6th and on committee work (expansion and FIA). He also attended the BC Hydro meeting on May 21st and was presented with a shadowbox by Minister Shirley Bond in appreciation of MCFC's donation of wood for the Olympic podium project. On May 28th he also received a certification of appreciation from the Legion for our donation to help them upgrade their building.

Issues (Directors) – Chair Thompson declared an issue with the May 2010 issue of the "Take Back Our Forest" flyer. Specifically, that he feels that it is full of errors and exaggerations. He felt that MCFC needs to get a more exacting statement out to the public and wants the board to consider how to do this. Marc reported that Al Birnie had supplied him with the list of issues (now 58). *Action item: Marc to forward the list to the board and report out on the list at the July board meeting.*

7. Correspondence:

P. Marsh letter: Marc presented the request for information letter given to him by Phil Marsh and Glen Foster. This was specifically not meant to be a FOIPPA request. Eliana reported that she has received advice to get a legal opinion on what material is required to be available to the public and that all requests should be handled as FOIPPA requests.

Thompson/Rejman

Motion to get a legal opinion on what is or isn't required to be available to the public.

CARRIED

Action item: Marc to revise our website and post public information on it, once we have received the aforementioned legal opinion.

8. New Business

1. AGM Public Info Meeting Report: Marc reported to the board that the decision to have our lawyer, accountant and consultant at the meeting was a good idea. The public made full use of the opportunity to ask questions and that a lot of issues should now be resolved as a result. The main questions regarding legal matters involved how to get representation on the board from those living outside the village, procedures and duties of directors, confidentiality, conflict of interest, and the powers of shareholders. The question was also raised whether or not our articles conformed with the requirements of the inspector of municipalities. Marc has instructed our lawyer to review our articles and confirm that all is in order. The biggest issue raised regarding our accounting practices was with regards to whether or not the corporation should be paying income tax. It was reported that we received an opinion from our accountant on this and that we have been filing tax returns every year. Marc reported that he has asked our accountant for a report on this, and has also asked our lawyer for advice on how we can demonstrate due diligence with regards to this issue. There was also lots of discussion with regards to the survey to collect public input into the structure review. The follow up meeting is scheduled for June 9th.

Chair Thompson explained to the public in attendance the process and rationale for going in camera and that a listing of reasons to go in camera were included in our policy and procedures for holding board meetings. He also committed to reporting out at following board meetings on any decisions made in camera that the board determined could be moved out of camera.

Clements/Rejman

Motion to go in camera, 7:46 p.m., citing sections 2(a)(vii)(x)&(xiii).
CARRIED

Clements/Frazier

Motion to go out of camera. 9:23 p.m.
CARRIED

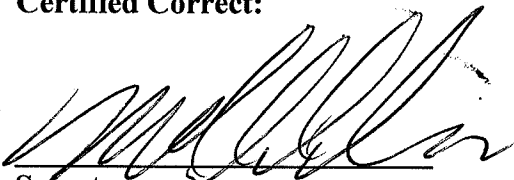
9. Adjournment

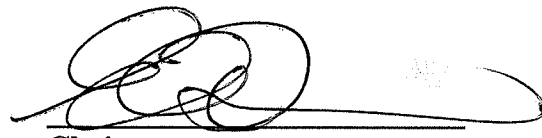
Clements/Thompson

Motion to adjourn the meeting.
CARRIED

Adjournment: 9:24 p.m.

Certified Correct:


Secretary


Chair