

BEAVER LODGE TRUST COMMITTEE MEETING

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MINUTES



PREVIOUS MEETING 2009 07 21 TIME 7:15 p.m.
YEAR MONTH DAY

DATE OF MEETING 2009 09 15 TIME 7:15 p.m.
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DATE OF NEXT MEETING 2009 11 17 TIME 7:15 p.m.
YEAR MONTH DAY

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ron Burrell	Betty Frost
Bob Dice	Richard & Susan Mallinson
Tom Easton	Paul Nuttall
Jerry Fletcher	Tom Porsborg

Chair: Paul Nuttall

Scribe: Bob Dice

File: 12600-20/BLLA

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- (1) To ensure the Trust lands are managed in accordance with the *Trust Act* and the approved Resource Use Plan.
- (2) To prepare and recommend operational plans to the District Manager, Ministry of Forests and Regional Manager, Ministry of Environment for approval.
- (3) Decisions made at the meeting will be arrived at through a process of consensus.
- (4) Seven members will constitute a quorum with at least one member from each of the four interest groups; Economy, Recreation, Environment and Education.
- (5) Meetings are open to the public.

PROCEDURES

- (1) Supply complete and concise agenda topics to Chairman within one week of the meeting date.
- (2) Meetings to occur on the third Tuesday of January / March / May / September/ November at 7:15 p.m. Additional meetings can be scheduled as required.
- (3) Minutes to be circulated to all committee members within a week of the meeting.
- (4) Keep minutes as concise as possible.
- (5) Issues requiring resolution must be assigned to an individual by the committee chair with defined terms of reference and time frames.

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ITEM	AGENDA TOPIC	TOPIC BRIEFING <i>Outline of Discussion/Presentation; Define Problem</i>	ACTION
1.0	APPROVE PREV. MINUTES	No changes.	
2.0	APPROVE AGENDA	No changes.	
3.0	OLD BUSINESS		
3.1	Simms Creek Stewards	The ERT Water retention pond has been excavated and overflow pipe installed, re-vegetation to follow.	CARRIED FWD Tom Easton
3.2	Trial Maintenance	Bob Dice still researching the status of the ERT and Airport main.	ONGOING Ron Burrell
3.3	UBC Research Project/User Survey	Recommendations (one per night) to be discussed at Trust meetings – see New Business.	ONGOING Paul Nuttall
3.4	Community Development Trust	See New Business.	ONGOING Richard & Susan Mallinson
3.5	Mapping & New Trial Names	Kiosks signs have been installed. Action: Greenways Land Trust or Grant Signs need to forward invoice to MFR for their portion of payment.	CLOSED Paul Nuttall
3.6	Volunteer Steward Program	Application form template created to schedule people’s time to have regular monitoring time to give out pamphlets. Need to educate the public. Quotes needed for volunteer training, i.e. conflict. High vis vests at printers for GLT. Promote awareness of the purpose of the BLLA. Focus is summer at this point.	DEFERRED Paul Nuttall
3.7	Proposal for Fire Hazard Abatement	A Strategic Forest Management proposal for fire abatement measures in the Beaver Lodge Lands has unofficially been approved. The proposal was supported by the Committee. Paul Nuttall provided a letter of support to Strategic Forest Management for the proposal.	CLOSED



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3.8	Beaver Dams	A design for the beaver dam issues has been resolved. The beaver pond structure is currently being replaced.	CLOSED
4.0	NEW BUSINESS		
4.1	Trail Maintenance & Development Trust Work	<p>Ron Burrell (GLT) Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail deactivation and new trail construction near the “gully” bridge is complete – looks good. McIvor and Gully bridge upgrades look good as well. Wherever possible the crew should retain wildlife trees. • Paul Nuttall - The Hilchey sign kiosk needs a post replaced. Action: Richard to include on To Do list. • Bob Dice - In order to make the Gully bridge safe for horse crossing (currently riders must dismount). Action: For the Gully Bridge, replace the 1 ½” thick yellow cedar decking with 4” fir decking. Use the “gully” bridge decking to double the deck thickness on the foot bridge that is close to Dogwood near Rockland. These projects to go on Richard’s ‘To Do list. <p>Richard Malinson Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding has been approved on the next phase for three bear proof garbage cans. (Ron suggests they should be located at Trask, McPhedren and Hilchey locations.) • The bridges that need to be done by September 15th are nearly complete – Gully bridge, McIvor and Beaver Pond. • The crew will soon begin working on Dogwood danger trees. (Paul suggests that the project should start on the West side and work from south to north. Paul has found a traffic flagging contractor who is available at \$25/hr for two people. (MFR or Richard to pay invoice?) City is supportive of us doing the danger tree removal, but requires notification of when it will be done. Action: Paul will contact NIC to see if they want danger trees removed as well. DONE. Action: Richard crew will tentatively start on September 28th week. DONE. • Action: Bob to set up a field “walk about”, within the next 4 weeks, with Richard and BLFL stakeholders on proposed work on their second phase. 	

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4.2	All Terrain Vehicle Use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on increased ATV use on trails other than ERT and Airport Main (i.e. Rockland trail). • Action: <u>For next meeting</u> all members to consider, for discussion, our position on ATV use in the lodge lands – clarify our position, communications/signage about our position, enforcement. • Betty: Maybe we can no longer provide all uses to all users anymore? 	CARRIED FWD
4.3	Tim Porsborg Report	Trail building continues on the technical “Frasers” trail. Technical sections have alternate ‘easy out” routes.	CLOSED
4.4	McPhedren School Property Update	Lyle Boise provided the following information: The school trustees view the property as theirs. The property has a school use only covenant on it. There is no short term use (5 year) planned for the property. The land could be a worthwhile future bargaining chip for future school land trades.	CLOSED Paul Nuttall
4.5	UBC Research Project	<p>Recommendation #1 - Reassert the role of the BLFL as a research forest.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All are agreed with basic recommendations. • Action: Paul will advertise/promote the use of the BLFL in various publications – NIC, UBC, etc. • Action: Once finalized Paul will promote the UBC report in Campbell River’s local papers. • Ron suggests that all research opportunities be non consumptive and that the BLFL management plan be reviewed for previous recommendations. 	ONGOING
5.0	ADJOURNMENT	9:15 p.m.	
6.0	NEXT MEETING	<p>November 17, 2009 (Tuesday), at 7:15 p.m.</p> <p>Ministry of Forests and Range conference room, 370 South Dogwood Street, Campbell River, British Columbia, V9W 6Y7; Phone (250) 286-9300; Fax (250) 286-9490; Email: Forests.CampbellRiverDistrictOffice@gov.bc.ca</p>	

