



# CCFC Board of Directors

## Minutes of Board Meeting – Jan 7, 2018

Present: Georgina Silby, Bob Tracy, Aaron Ellingsen, Mark Braaten, Corry Dow, John Drew, David Shipway ~ quorum. also in attendance Mark Lombard

Meeting Called to Order @ 7:00pm

Approval of Agenda: Georgina/Mark ~carried

## Agenda Items:

### 1. CFGP Update - Mark Lombard

- a. Ministry for Forest regional director has agreed to come to the island to meet regarding issuing of the 1 Cutting Permit (1CP) and concerns about meeting our AAC
- b. 5 Year Plan, 2nd draft was presented in December to CFGP for review. Community presentation will be scheduled soon
- c. Harvest projections emphasise selective logging.
- d. CFGP is interested in developing Urban Wildland Interface (UWI) management strategies
- e. seeking funding and/or matching grants for enhanced silviculture projects in the CF landbase
- f. Larsens Meadow restocking survey will be undertaken this year.
  - i. problems with Deer browsing Douglas Fir seedlings
  - ii. explore alternatives to polycarbonate cone protection (vexar)
  - iii. consider advantages of reusable wire cages
  - iv. need for a manager to coordinate volunteer effort
- g. Sliammon First Nation requests archeological surveys be conducted in management areas

### 2. Upcoming Community Forum Speakers

- a. Lori Kremster RPF and Senior Habitat Ecologist for Abbotsford Adaptive Forest Management. tentatively scheduled for late January
- b. Bruce Blackwell wildfire consultant is interested and available to present to the community - February
- c. Stacy Larson RPF will be coming to speak to the Cortes Streamkeepers and may be able to attend a community forum more specific to our Community Forest during the same time period - March
- d. CCFC to provide funding and support for these presenters in the coming season
  - i. **Action Georgina** - Coordinate with Lori and offer to host her during her

stay. Mark Lombard agreed to assist.

- e. CCFC board identified the value in having Matt Cusianna and Ione Brown attend the presentations and participate in field surveys if possible

### 3. Profit Disbursement Policy Updates

- a. **Action Corry Dow** - edit policy to include percentage allocations for profit disbursement
- b. Forestry Training Report
  - i. Local participants successfully completed the bucking course with financial assistance grants from the CCFC profit disbursement program
  - ii. Bill Boardman is interested in serving as a certified falling instructor
  - iii. a number of candidates are interested in taking the follow up falling course
  - iv. it would be feasible for 2 instructors and 2 trainees to work together during one of the harvest cycles in the community forest to meet the practical requirements of falling training

### 4. CCFC Office

- a. proposal to share office space in Manson's Landing with HACL
- b. interested in 4 hours per week office presence
- c. board directors will attend on rotating schedule
- d. budget \$50/month

### 5. Communications

- a. CCFC board is interested in working with local volunteers or on a fixed contract basis to upgrade CCFC website.
  - i. Approximate budget \$500
- b. CCFC board members agree to write short bio with a photo for publishing on the CCFC website.
  - i. content outline - who we are, what do we bring, our forestry views, why we are involved
  - ii. **Action David** - collect Bio's and photos to organize and format
- c. interest in engaging local volunteers for video recording of community forum presentations to include on the CCFC website
- d. Creation of Project portfolios for local use of community forest wood
- e. good examples of well developed websites for other community forests include [Cheakamus Community Forest](#) and [Alberni Valley Community Forest](#)

### 6. Local Value Added Processing - Mark B

- a. Paul Hargrave at Saratoga Mills in Oyster River BC, is developing a dry kiln and planer mill. He would be interested in discussing ways of cooperating to use our wood products in future
- b. Peter Schultz at Great Bear Mouldings on Quadra island has an operating dry kiln and planer mill and is interested in discussing ways of cooperating to use our wood products
- c. discussion
  - i. raw log transport is not cost effective
  - ii. transport of rough sawn lumber blanks is the only cost effective way to

- provide wood to secondary processing facilities
- iii. identified the particular value of specialty hemlock products and making use of species which are currently not being effectively marketed
- iv. seek small volume niche markets

**7. 2018 AGM**

- a. set date Sunday March 18 at 2pm
    - i. **Action Mark** - book Manson's Hall for that date and confirm with Georgina
    - ii. **Action Georgina** - publicize the AGM
- 8. Next CCFC Meeting Sunday Feb 11 7pm at Corry Dow's home**