



KDCFS Regular Board Meeting Minutes – May 19th , 2021

MISSION STATEMENT: *The Kaslo and District Community Forest Society (KDCFS) will manage the diversity of values of the Community Forest in an ecologically responsible and fiscally accountable manner on behalf of the people of Kaslo and Area D.*

Attendees: Steve Anderson (Chair), Stephen Fawcett (Secretary), Jeff Mattes (Treasurer); Chris Webster (Vice Chair), Tom Duchastel, Greg Lay , Doug Drain, Neil Johnson, Stephen Neville (Directors), Jeff Reyden, Sabrina Mutterer (Management Team);

Absent with notice: Alicia Sergeant (Bookkeeper),

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm via Zoom

A. Preliminaries:

Agenda

that the Board of Directors adopt the Kaslo & District Community Forest Regular Meeting Agenda of May 19th, 2021 with addition of point D- 4. MOU

Moved to adopt: Jeff Mattes

Carried

Minutes that the Board of Directors adopt the Kaslo & District Community Forest Regular Meeting Minutes of April 21st, 2021

Moved to adopt: Jeff Mattes

Carried

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Report – new monthly financial reporting format presented by Managers.

Board review and approval of new financial reporting template presented by managers.

Q: Is silviculture accrual still set at \$7/m³ and will this cover our future silviculture expenditures?

Managers: No, this rate was set nearly 20 years ago and was increased to \$8/m³ in 2019 after management completed a comprehensive assessment of historic and current spending. This is tight budgeting and recommendations presented were that any potential shortfalls must be recovered from operational improvements in efficiency between harvesting and silviculture operations. Going forward we are planting at lower densities in our WRR treatment areas due to reduced stocking standards, which should help.

J Mattes: Savings in lower planting may be offset by increased cost of brushing in these installations.

Managers: Yes, depending on the future availability of government funding for this work.

Moved to adopt: Stephen Fawcett

Carried

AGENDA ITEMS

B. Manager's Report

Q: Timeline for the Nashton new road construction?

Managers: Snow free finally, we walked it with our Road contractor just recently. CP 44 mainline construction will begin late June. Copper Face CP48 access spurs will start in June as well to be complete mid July, the start date for our cable contractor.

Q: With recent windy storms, can we assist the VOK in salvaging blow down from Village or adjacent crown lands?

Managers: We have started discussion with FLNRORD regarding a Salvage Permit and are looking at the extent of damage.

Moved to receive: Jeff Mattes

Carried

Recommendations

1. That the Board adopt the new monthly financial reporting template. - Done in A. Treasurer's Report.
2. That the directors review the Mother Tree Research by Suzanne Simard <https://mothertreeproject.org/>. Book was purchased and will be shared around.
3. That the FTE Committee convene to review 2021 Budget Amendment #1 for adoption at June Board meeting.

C. Items for Board Discussion

1. Chamber of Commerce Representation. Director Lay designated to be KDCFS representative on Kaslo C of C board.
2. Arena Salvage update (Managers). Addressed in *B. Manager's Report*. Applications will be submitted after consultation with VOK.
3. History of VOK/KDCFS collaboration in Kemp Creek (Managers). Consistent communication with VOK and the CAO through 2020, sharing of related KDCFS technical reports, also support with danger tree removal along dam access. KDCFS/VOK planning update by managers in 2020/12/09 Board Meeting. Planning for shared worksite access and potential collaboration for resources in place in writing during 2021 with CAO.
4. KDCFS discussion for potential to slope stabilizing of Kemp Creek channel walls (Chris Webster). Managers: spur access into avalanche zone from CP44 new road system was considered in 2020 and shared with CAO. No financially and operationally feasible solutions have been identified but we are still looking for opportunities.
5. Discussion proposed regarding KDCFS wood waste use to heat the Village (Chris Webster). Ventures CTE to meet to discuss diversification ideas.
6. KDCFS to sponsor 2 community MTB reps for upcoming MTB symposium (Tom Duchastel). Director Duchastel to assess total cost and send to the Managers to add to budget amendment.
7. MOU (added). Managers: Adding an additional insured party to an insurance policy is standard procedure and requires no extra cost.

Motion: Subject to settling the insurance question to the manager's satisfaction that the Board ratifies the MOU as presented. Moved to adopt: Steve Anderson Carried

D. Governance

1. Housekeeping:
 - a. Election of Officer Positions.
 - b. Joining CTEs - Director Johnson to decide which CTE to join and send email to Managers.
 - c. Accountability Form – reminder to send through to Managers
2. CTE: Charity Firewood Policy for adoption
Guidelines bullet # 1 amended to: The group asking for donations to will be based in Kaslo or Area D.
Three loads to be advertised.

Moved to adopt: Steve Anderson Carried

E. Community Comments

None

F. In-Camera

None

Meeting adjourned at 8.18pm

Next Board Meeting: June 23, 2021