



## KDCFS Regular Board Meeting Minutes – Feb 23 2023

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*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:** Chris Webster (Vice Chair), Stephen Fawcett (Secretary), Stephen Neville, Greg Lay, Doug Drain, Matthew Brown, Tom Duchastel (Directors), Jeff Reyden (Management Team), Alicia Sergeant (Bookkeeper)

**Absent with notice:** Jeff Mattes (Treasurer)

*Meeting called to order at 7.02pm in person and via Zoom*

### **A. Preliminaries:**

**Agenda** that the Board of Directors adopt the Kaslo & District Community Forest Regular Meeting Agenda of Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

Moved to adopt: Greg Lay                      Carried

**Minutes** that the Board of Directors acknowledge the Kaslo and District Community Forest Regular Meeting Minutes of January 12th 2023 were approved Jan 22nd 2023.

### **Treasurer Report**

Moved to adopt: Matt Brown                      Carried

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## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **B. Manager's Report**

Q: What is Management's plan regarding Wealth Minerals?

A: Management will reach out to First nations regarding their own process. Exploratory drilling can occur without compensation to KDCFS for trees fallen. We could possibly have shared access of the Lost ledge Road so a road use agreement could be drawn up.

Q: What are the details regarding the Value Added Manufacturing funding mentioned?

A: It is for communities under 25,000 population. It must be applied by a for-profit business so the KDCFS would have to partner with a local business. Management will investigate this funding stream. There were ideas of VAM researched when the Boards by George feasibility study was done.

Board discussed if any members of the community would be interested or willing to partner with KDCFS on this.

Noted: Missed from the report was that Management applied for the CBT grant for wildfire equipment etc that was mentioned last meeting. The grant application was rejected. CBT have stated that if KDCFS is able to apply with the VOK/RDCK then it likely will be accepted. There's another intake in a few months time.

Motion that KDCFS send a delegation to VOK council to formally ask for a partnership regarding applying for the said CBT grant in the next intake.                      Carried

Moved to adopt: Greg Lay                      Carried

**C. Items for Board Discussion**

1. AGM date. Motion that the date be set for Thursday April 20<sup>th</sup>. Carried  
April's Reg Board Meeting will be moved to Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>
2. 2022 Accounts Receivable – Bookkeeper to respond to Accountants regarding the implications of adjusting some of this to allowance/bad debt.
3. WITF – Management learnt that the Housing Society probably would not want to organize the event next year. KDCFS to start conversation with other NPOs in town to see who would be interested in 2024 event.
4. Wealth Minerals Mining – discussed and covered in B. Manager's Report
5. Funding for Value Added Manufacturing - discussed and covered in B. Manager's Report
6. ETSI-BC Grant (Director Brown) – would create a position to increase Society capacity to look into grants, VAM, engaging with community etc. Funder will put forward a person for the role. Details to be sent over to the Board for them to review. Decision to be made via email before next Board Meeting regarding whether KDCFS should move forward with this application.

**D. Governance**

1. Review Policy; Managing for a Diversity of Interests/Values (pg 31). Motion to accept policy with no changes. Carried

**E. Community Comments**

1. 2023 WITF – Community had a great time and is very thankful to the KDCFS for funding the event and KHS for organizing it.

**F. In-Camera**

None

Meeting adjourned – 8.31pm

Next Board Meeting: March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023