



Annual General Meeting at JVH School

April 20, 2023

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

7:00 P.M. Call to Order

In attendance: Chris Webster (Chair,); Jeff Mattes (Treasurer), Stephen Neville (Vice Chair) Doug Drain, Greg Lay (Directors)

Management Team: Jeff Reyden , Bookkeeper: Alicia Sergeant.

(Absent; Stephen Fawcett – Secretary, Tom Duchastel, Matthew Brown - Directors)

Media: Valley Voice

2023 Membership: 39; Total Attendance: 10; Public: 1; Voting members: 9

- **Motion to adopt the 2023 AGM Agenda.** Carried
- **Motion to adopt the 2022 AGM Minutes.** Carried

Directors' Report Presented by Chris Webster (Chair)

No questions

Financial Report Presented by Jeff Mattes (Treasurer)

No questions

Management Report Presented Jeff Reyden

Q: What is your overall view of the health of our community forest after the Briggs Creek fire?

A: We're busy laying out cutblocks. We have around 200 hectares developed with more area to look at this year. We are looking at harvesting about 35,000 cubic metres in 2023. Harvesting the fire-damaged timber is a longterm timber supply incentive. We'll get to what we can that's

merchantable, which will shift our harvesting from green timber to fire-damaged timber that would otherwise disappear. The total area that will be developed for harvesting represents around 10% of the total area that was burnt. Harvesting these areas will make for more expedient and easier reforestation as well. Ministry of Forests maps from aerial surveys showed that the tenure wasn't badly affected, but field trips showed the extent of the damage.

Q: What about old growth?

A: The fire burned about 10 hectares of old-growth trees. About 15% of our operable area is old growth

Q: Any new projects covered by grants?

A: We have a grant to do some thinning on a block up Branch 7, but they may not get to it this year due to having to focus on fire salvage operations.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm