



Klahoose First Nation

CORTES FORESTRY

GENERAL PARTNERSHIP



Board Meeting Minutes – February 9, 2016

Present: Kathy Francis
Kristen Scholfield-Sweet
Bruce Ellingsen
Mark Lombard
John Marlow
Mat Cuscianna

Minutes: Corry Dow

Agenda:

- Falling incident report - all procedures followed properly and efficiently
- Current Status of Squirrel Cove Project: personnel & road building/machine use
- Addressing public concern
- Firewood
- Larsen's Meadow Road
- BCCFA membership dues
- Planting notice on website
- Other

Discussion:

- Falling incident report - all procedures followed properly and efficiently
- Squirrel Cove Project:
 - All permits including roads approved
 - Falling resumes today after temporary shutdown due to safety infraction and wet conditions. Falling to continue for approx. 6 more days.

- Block SQ4 to be modified such that thinning will only occur within 1 tree-length (40m) of the new road and the wood will be forwarded by an excavator on the road due to concerns with ground skidding during wet soil conditions
- Bucking wage rate established
- Personnel determined for remainder of operation
- Public Questions/Concerns:
 - John addressed concerns presented by SQ residents in 2 on-site tours, SQ.5 plan revised accordingly
 - No gate for forestry road accessing SQ. blocks
 - Those wishing to chip branches may do so at their own expense with approval from CFGP Manager
 - CFGP to improve info sharing via website with greater advance notice of planned operations
 - Misunderstandings re: high grading for cedar to be addressed by review of harvest policy to be posted on website
 - Future operations to offer one site tour with the CFGP Manager with >2 weeks advance notice to the public, and increased access to information via the website.
- Firewood delivery list reviewed, may not meet requests within the SQ. cut. Discussion of other possible areas to look at to supply firewood this year
- CFGP Board position opening in Feb. 2017. After and long and fruitful term of service, 2016 will be Kristen's final year on the CCFC and CFGP boards.
- CFOP revision: first revision period scheduled for early 2018 once first 5-yr term of the CFA is complete.

Tabled: Exploration of establishing a firewood marshal to administer and oversee private-use firewood permits.

Action Items:

1. John to compile notes to address concerns that have arisen from community recently and send to Board to draft statement that Corry will post on website

2. John to speak with Peter re: falling & hoe-chucking
3. John to speak with Blue Thunder re: doing all the felling in SQ.
4. John to speak to Ira re: bucking contract
5. Matt to supervise falling operations on a daily basis while John is away
6. Matt to do water bars and put in culvert on Larsen's Meadow site road(s). (John to send pics to show locations.)
7. John to speak with John Vosper re: approval to continue road-building when he returns
8. John to contact Bob Tracy for flagging work & Matt will help find another flagger
9. John to order stamping hammers
10. Matt to submit road layout for Von Donop area to Kathy for Klahoose review
11. John, Mark, Bruce, Kevin, Matt et al to continue to keep an eye out for an appropriate sort hoe
12. Kathy/Kristen to renew BCCFA membership
13. Corry to post on website:
 - active falling
 - financial statement from last year
 - operation review summary for Larsen's Meadow
 - minutes of this and last CFGP board meeting approved minutes
 - UBC student report
 - request for tree planting contractor