



CORTES FORESTRY

GENERAL PARTNERSHIP



Cortes Forestry General Partnership Board Meeting Minutes – March 16, 2017

Present: Kathy Francis

Georgina Silby

Kevin Peacey

Corry Dow

Bruce Ellingsen

Mark Lombard

Matt Cuscianna

Agenda:

- SQ operations update
- Larsen's Meadow regeneration
- Requests for last year's financial report
- Potential projects (1-3 years)
- Financials
- Sustainability definition
- Miscellaneous
 - Consulting RPF possibility
 - Co-op presentation
 - Report from LEAP meeting
 - Review other actions items from Feb meeting

Discussion:

- Squirrel Cove operations update
 - Falling completed, hauling next week with road work to follow
 - Contractor hired for SQ planting in April

- Larsen's Meadow regeneration
 - Informal survey showed significant browse on Fd. Decision to cone those that still look promising. Potential to involve community. First step: find used cones.
 - Cw doing well, cones stood up to snow

- Potential projects (1-3 years)
 - Two options for upcoming development were discussed.
 - Considerations included: access, financial feasibility, options for forest tending & improving timber growth in areas accessed by proposed roads, sensitivity to areas of high local value

- Financials
 - Mark presented updated budget
 - silviculture reserve needs further review

- Sustainability definition
 - Bruce brought forward a request that the board make its definition of "sustainability" more specific for transparency to the public, ministry, contractors and employees.
 - Discussion of implications of, and options for, clarifying what sustainability means to the CFGP
 - Need to revisit this topic regularly and emphasize through planning

- Consulting RPF possibility
 - Discussed role of RPF, characteristics valuable to management, cost and the general of the position in relation to the CFGP

- CCFC report
 - Community presentation by Stephan Martineau of the Slocan CF scheduled for Thurs. Mar. 23 at 7pm, Manson's Hall

- Report from LEAP meeting
 - Mark attended

- Review other actions items from Feb. meeting
 - Quote received for signs
 - Design reviewed, agreed to go ahead with signs that read "Cortes Community Forest" along with the logos of each partner

Action Items:

1. Mark to pick up stakes from Kathy
2. Post request for used tree cones to website/Tideline
3. Mark and Matt to go ahead with consulting and planning on development option favoured by board.
4. Kathy to open up separate bank account for silviculture reserve fund.
5. Mark to confirm financial figures for 2016, circulate for approval and post to website.
6. Mark to set up meeting with potential RPF
7. Mark to provide monthly invoices to CFGP.
8. Georgina to attend next LEAP meeting.
9. Georgina to draft statement of profit disbursement, Corry to add letterhead and forward to Kathy.
10. Mark and Corry to work on new layout for signs. Mark to get wood from Bruce and order five 5' signs with black letters

Next meeting: TBD