



Klahoose First Nation



Cortes Forestry General Partnership

CFGP Directors Meeting August 22, 2022

In attendance: Steven Brown, Johnny Hanuse, Georgina Silby, Aaron Ellingsen, Sadhu Johnston, Bruce Ellingsen, Ione Brown, Mark Lombard

Agenda

Outstanding Payments
Profit Disbursement
Bank Account
Approval for Rent Invoice
Media Policy
Upcoming Operations
Wildfire Funding at Recycling Center

Outstanding Payments

Payments of outstanding wages to the manager will be paid now that payment has been received from logs from the last harvest. The silviculture reserve for all stand tending obligations will also be set aside.

Profit Disbursement

Motion to approve a profit disbursement of \$150,000 to both partners of the CFGP while holding \$50,569 as a reserve fund for operating Costs.

Motion: Steven Brown, second Sadhu Johnson

Annual Rent Invoice

Approved a motion for payment of the annual rental fee from the Province of \$5,032.

Bank Update

The CFGP has two new directors and the directors will undertake to amend the signing authority at the bank by the end of September

Media Policy

The board and staff do not give media interviews without checking in with the rest of the board about content or specific topics. Mark to review existing board policy on media.



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Upcoming Operations

The board has considered public input and is proceeding with road building in the proposed location as this is agreed on as the best option for accessing the area, and each other potential access point would have multiple issues.

Harvest planning in the area is ongoing and there will be further opportunities for community input and discussion as the planning moves forward. Harvesting in this area will only take place if and when markets prices are strong given the high proportion of Western Hemlock in the area. The earliest would be February 2023.

Going forward the board does not want to receive the current volume of correspondence from community members, and instruct that the Manager & RPF will handle the bulk of public correspondence. This will include limited input from Georgina and Aaron.

The CFGP is still planning on moving forward with planning in the VON2 operating area, pending road and bridge access through the Klahoose Reserve and private land to the north. This project is slightly less dependent on markets as there is more of a mix of Douglas Fir with some Western Red Cedar and Hemlock.

Regarding revisions to the five year plan, it is being amended to include the VON2 area, wildfire thinning in the Coulter Bay/Carrington Area (CAR2), Anvil Lake, and a fourth project being considered for the Green Mountain Operating Area. Details will be shared as planning moves forward this fall.

Wildfire Funding

The Regional District is working to find additional funding to completed the proposed wildfire mitigation project around the recycling center. There is a currently a small shortfall and the Regional District has reached out to local organizations including the CFGP for potential sources of top up funding. No decision needed at this time.