

**Boundary Forest Watershed Stewardship Society
Board Meeting Agenda**

10 am, March 7, 2024

via ZOOM

In Attendance: Roy, Tony, Stan, Wayne, Ray, Jennifer and Joanne

Regrets: no one

Chairperson – Roy Schiesser

1. **Meeting called to order** – Roy at 10:11 am
2. **Approval of minutes** – from last meeting. MSC
3. **Team/Committee Reports:**
 - a. **President - Roy** – nothing to report from last meeting
 - b. **Vice-President - Ray-**
 - i. City's riparian zone proposal update – sent comments to Cranbrook; has been talking to city representative.

ACTION ITEMS: set up a meeting ; phone contact in Cranbrook regarding letter.

- ii. Meeting with BCTS update – Found ATS online ; 19 sales, 80 cutblocks, sent Colin a letter; more Talk&Log ; will keep on him.
- iii. KRWAC meeting and suggestion/example of a field trip documentation notebook - met with Kristina.

ACTION ITEMS: Call Kristina back, call Ciel and ask what is happening ?
Make recommendations

- c. **Project Coordinator-** Jennifer – announced the anonymous \$50,000 and \$20,000 donations. Looking for a group with charitable status to be our fiscal sponsor. She also let us know that the donations on CHUFF are at \$2000.00 She mentioned the radio interview she gave and we gave positive feedback on it.

ACTION ITEM: email Roy the letter that she sent to Vahalla asking if they could be our sponsor.

ACTION ITEM: send Board members the link to CHUFF so that we can make donations if we can to help promote it.

- d. **Treasurer - Joanne -**
 - i. Financial report – see attached report.
- e. **Fieldwork - Stan and Wayne -**
 - i. Any images of spills?- not yet
 - ii. Observers Report – Ray created a form .

ACTION ITEM: Roy to get copies made.

ACTION ITEM: Jennifer to put the form up on the website.

- iii. Wayne brought up article in March 6 Gazette regarding riparian rules in Christina Lake.

ACTION ITEM: Ray to read article and respond with a letter to the editor.

- iv. Deactivation of Roads – a woman in Castlegar to put together an Advisory Group. He asked if Wayne, Stan and Tony would be interested to go on it.

ACTION ITEM: Ray to submit their names.

- f. **Communications- Jennifer – 10 new subscribers to email list.**

ACTION ITEM : send Joanne a list of subscribers

- g. **Marketing & Membership – Joanne-** nothing to update

- h. **Research – Jennifer –** met with Alexandra and watched a video on forestry legislation. Also was contacted by a woman in the Kootenays who is willing to volunteer her time to help develop a strategy for dealing with First Nation groups.

4. **Old Business :**

- a. **Compliance & Enforcement- Roy-** FPB replied that the report should be complete by mid-March

ACTION ITEM: Roy to ask for a copy of the report.

In the meantime Angie sent a letter.

ACTION ITEM: Roy to forward Angie's letter and the response she received to Jennifer and Joanne as they did not receive it.

5. **New Business:**

- a. **Meeting and work with Dan and Dr Younes - Stan and Wayne**
 - i. **Report of meeting-** They covered many miles and did 30-40 hours of filming. Younes also did an interview with the mayor. Younes might bring a student who could come and help us out with field work as he feels we need to take an inventory of blown out creeks in our watershed. The documentary should be released on CBC mid May.
 - ii. **Reimbursement of fuel costs to Wayne and Stan for chauffeuring Dan and Younes.-**

ACTION ITEM: Wayne and Stan to submit fuel receipts to Joanne

- b. **Spring and summer project ideas** – Roy – looked into water sampling kits but we would need more people.
Suggested that our letters should always have our BFWSS logo on them.
- c. **Zoom account with Tech Soup** – Roy – nothing to report
- d. **Field Book Distribution** – Stan -hasn't heard back yet
- e. **Retired Senator and Lawyer – Wayne-** Meeting with Denis Pattison? Hasn't been in contact but will keep trying.
- f. UBC Graduates – Tony -
- g. Interfor- Wayne sent an email.

ACTION ITEM: Wayne to forward his email to all the Board members. Roy to send follow up emails to BCTS and Interfor from BFWSS .

- h. Additional items -Stan – logging in Stanley Park ; logging in Nancy Green park for additional campsites.; Rails to Trails grade and the placement of boulders where Interfor had a washout last spring.

ACTION ITEM: Stan to get photos of the boulders.

- i. Decoding the Drought Management meetings- Ray – To be held in Causton April 3 and Grand Forks April 5th. He has registered but suggested that we

attend as a BFWSS group.

ACTION ITEM: Roy to forward the Board the email about it.

6. **Next Board Meeting:** Reminder of upcoming AGM Wed March 13, 2024 RDKB Office 6pm

ACTION ITEM: Roy to ask our member Andrea Yallits. to call each Board member and ask if they would like to remain on the Board.

7. **Adjournment-** Roy – Joanne forgot to make note of the time.