



AGM Meeting Minutes

Room 1, Tumbler Ridge Community Center

Thursday, Dec 14, 2023, 4:30 PM

Present: Al Kangas, Chair
Hugh Kingwell, Vice Chair
Chris Norbury, Director
Marsha Dufresne, Director (Zoom)
Bernie Lehmann, Director

Contractors: Duncan McKellar, Operations Manager, Matt. DWB Dianna Gies, Bookkeeper

TRCF acknowledges the Indigenous communities surrounding Tumbler Ridge. This land is the traditional territory of the Dunne-za, Saulteaux, Tse'khene, Cree and Metis peoples which includes the McLeod Lake Indian Band, Saulteaux First Nations, West Moberly First Nations, Kelly Lake Cree First Nations, and Kelly Lake Metis Settlement Society within Treaty 8 Territory.

- 1. Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 4:33 pm.
- 2. Approval of Agenda:** Chris made motion to approve agenda. Hugh seconded, CARRIED
- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Hugh made motion to approve the minutes, Chris seconded, CARRIED
- 4. Business arising from the minutes:** Duncan had question to Item 11 from Nov 8th meeting regarding budget. Board confirmed that food bank donation, bursaries and in ice advertising to be included in budget as separate line items.
- 5. Year in Review:**
 - Financials – Financials were presented. No outstanding issues were noted.
 - Year End Presentation – Duncan presented the year end presentation. The planning and purchase of the seedlings was brought up and questioned if the existing inventory can be sold to interested parties if the Community Forest cannot use. Marsha would like to have some trees for her June 21st Ceremony at the Interpretive Trail.
 - Harvest AAC Status – Duncan gave review. The CF has 2 years to complete the 5 year cut control.
 - Plan 2024 – Harvest Plan and Fire Reforest Strategy – Duncan gave review. Plan to reforest 10 plantations damaged by the 2023 wildfire.
- 6. Draft 2024 Budget** – Duncan gave review of budget. Hugh made motion to accept budget as presented, Bernie seconded, all in favor. CARRIED
- 7. Directors for 2024**
Current Directors

- Al Kangas served two years of three-year term. Al confirmed he will continue for third year.
- Marsha Dufresne served two years of two-year term. Marsha accepted a new two-year term.
- Hugh Kingwell served two years of two-year term. Hugh accepted a new two-year term.
- Chris Norbury Mayor Designate – Chris remains as mayor designate.
- Bernie Lehman served one year of two-year term – Bernie confirmed he will continue on for second year and will accept position of Secretary/Treasurer going forward

New Director Positions

- Do not have any new directors currently. The board will be talking to a potential new director. Will advise at later date.

8. Contractor Contracts – Dianna's 2024 contract was reviewed. Hugh made motion to renew Duncan's contract, Chris seconded, CARRIED

9. Shareholders Meeting in January – A general discussion was had regarding upcoming meeting with the DOTR Mayor and Council in January. CF Executive will decide on items to be discussed at meeting later.

10. Next Meeting: Meeting will happen sometime in April. Date will be set at a later date.

11. Adjournment: Hugh made motion to end the meeting at 6:10 pm, Bernie seconded, CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Tumbler Ridge Community Forest Budget Board of Directors meeting held on Wednesday, December 14, 2023.



Al Kangas, Chair

Hugh Kingwell Co Chair