

TUMBLER RIDGE COMMUNITY FOREST CORP

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

Room 1 Community Center

Minutes

Present: Al Kangas, Chair
Hugh Kingwell, Vice Chair
Chris Norbury, Director

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

Absent: Bernie Lehmann, Director
Marsha Dufresne, Director

TRCFC 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 and Kelly Lake Cree First Nation.

1. Call to Order 5:05 PM Al Kangas Chair
2. Approval of Agenda: Al Kangas made motion to add budget item to agenda. Hugh motioned to approve, Chris seconded. Chris made motion to accept agenda and Hugh seconded.
3. Approval of Minutes: Chris made motion to accept agenda and Hugh seconded.
4. Business arising from the Minutes: None
5. Presentation from TRMBA – Curtis Miedzinski gave a presentation for a funding request of \$110,000 for the Tumbler Ridge Mountain Bike Trail – Ridge Project – Phase 2.
6. Discuss Corp/LP memos from DL Piper. The memos were discussed and decided
 - i. Send opinions to Lisa @ Community Forest
 - ii. Set up a meeting with DL Piper and the board members to discuss their options
 - iii. Send the opinions to our Corporate Lawyer Jeremy.
7. Operations review (D. McKellar)
 - i. Financials – Revenue and Expenses were added to Budget revision 2025.
 - ii. 2025 Harvest plan is up to date.

- iii. STI and field work completed.
 - iv. FIP Audit – Audit is complete and passed.
 - v. Wildfire Treatment Blocks
 - vi. Deactivation status – Approximately 70% complete with three blocks to go.
 - vii. Forest Stewardship Plan – It was recommended that we work with First Nations more in the future.
- Grants and Community Support 2025
 - i. Hugh watched a video regarding the use of specialized equipment in fighting forest fires and is wondering if the District would be interested in acquiring similar equipment or if they would use it. Duncan and Hugh will speak with Dustin Curry to explore this more. Sprinkler systems were discussed as well for the residential areas of town.
- 8. Next Meeting
 - 9. Date TBA for October
 - 10. Adjournment – Al made motion to adjourn meeting at 7:14. Hugh accepted motion and Chris seconded.

Al Kangas, Chair

*Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of
the Tumbler Ridge Community Forest Board of
Directors Board meeting held on Thursday,
August 13, 2025.*