

November 14th, 2023 Public Record of Meeting – 9:00 A.M. BLNDC Board Room

PRESENT

Ken Nielsen, General Manager

Cindy Shelford, President Regional District of Bulkley Nechako Area B

Shannon Haizimsque, Vice President Wet'suwet'en First Nation Representative

Paul Davidson, Director Village of Burns Lake Representative

Kieran Broderick, Director Nee Tahi Buhn Nation Representative

Rilla Middleton, Director Skin Tyee Representative

Greg Hill, Director Regional District Area E Representative

Ryan Tibbett Ts'il Kaz Koh Burns Lake Band Representative

Duane Crouse Lake Babine Nation Representative

Valerie Anderson Executive Assistant/Accounting

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Next regular Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for December 12, 2023, at 9:00 am.

Safety

General Manager K. Nielsen reminded everyone to be aware of the tripping hazards in the Board Room and to take care on the roads.

Old Business

Policy for the interest earned on GIC was approved and will be added to the Finance Policy.

Budget Report

Revenues and expenses are lower that budgeted due to drought and wildfires. GM will provide additional information for the next meeting.

Tendering Policy

The tendering policy was discussed.

Fire Mitigation

Chinook Emergency Response Society was approved for funding of \$10,000 in recognition of wildfire fighting efforts in the Chinook TSA.

Forests for Tomorrow

Overstory removal project for the Haney fire was awarded and work will begin at the end of November.

FESBC – Fire Mitigation

Hamre TU is completed.

Danskin TU harvesting and trucking should be completed by the end of November.

Indian Bay TU harvesting and trucking should be completed by the end of December.

Growth and Yield Project

Groundwork is completed and the compiling of data is underway.

Fibre Utilization

DRAX will take the fibre that does not have an Old Growth deferral, remaining fibre will go to Fraser Lake Sawmill for the co-gen plant.

Pinkut and Haney Fires

Rehab of fireguards will begin mid-November. Recce maps for these areas will be completed by the end of the month. Assessing of danger trees on the Weir Rd. is underway.

Lakes Resiliency Planning Table

The Chinook General Manager will attend the Technical Working Group (TWG) meetings starting November 15 and planning meetings the following week.

Cindy Shelford, President