

December 12th, 2023, Public Record of Meeting – 10:00 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 Nation Representative

Duane Crouse Lake Babine Nation Representative

Valerie Anderson Executive Assistant/Accounting

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Next regular Board of Directors meeting is on January 9, 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

Revised Revenue projections for 2023/24 were provided to the Board.

Pinkut Lake Fire Stands

Chinook has requested a 30-day review period from the Ministry in order to harvest the area in 2024.

Natural Resources Conference – Jan 2024

Three board members and the General Manager will attend the conference.

FESBC – Fire Mitigation

Hamre TU is completed.

Danskin TU is completed.

Indian Bay TU will be completed by the end of December.

Growth and Yield Project

Compilation of data, including green will begin in January. The board will continue with LiDAR work in 2024. Chinook will the costs to fly with Burns Lake Comfor.

Forests for Tomorrow – 2024/25 Operating Plan

Chinook is projected to complete 200ha of planting, 147ha of regen surveys, 781ha of eligibility surveys, 94 ha of overstory removal, and 229ha of MPB surveys.

Firewood Delivery

A local contractor has delivered firewood to Skin Tyee Nation, Nee Tahi Buhn Band, and Cheslatta Carrier Nation from the Indian Bay site.

BC Community Forest Meetings in Victoria

We met with Minister Rolston to discuss TAB rates, the proposed Wildfire Regulation, and the effect on the operations of community forests throughout the province.

WorkSafe Maintenance Audit

Staff completed the annual maintenance audit.

Wildfire Risk Reduction Work for 2024

Rose Lake area: 200 ha of risk reduction work.

Cindy Shelford, President