

CHINOOK

COMMUNITY FOREST

February 11, 2025 Public Record of Meeting – 9:00 am. BLNDC Board Room

PRESENT

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

Rilla Middleton, Vice-President
RDBN Area B, Representative

Kieran Broderick, Treasurer
Nee Tahi Buhn Nation Representative

Paul Davidson, Secretary
Village of Burns Lake Representative

Duane Crouse
Lake Babine Nation Representative

Ben Wilson, Director
Cheslatta Carrier Nation Representative

Greg Hill, Director
RDBN Area E Representative

Katie Nesbitt, Director
Ts'il Kaz Koh Nation

Skin Tyee Nation – vacant
Ken Nielsen,
General Manager

Valerie Anderson
Executive Assistant/Accounting

The meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.
Next meeting: April 8, 2025


Shannon Haizimsque, President


Ken Nielsen, General Manager

Special Presentation and Funding Request

Greg Yeomans and Kris Gameau gave an overview of the new Wildfire Recovery Team (WRT) goals and objectives. The previous Tactical Plan for the area needs to be revised, and they are in the information gathering phase. Discussions included OGMAS, hydrology, clear-cut logging, diversifying harvesting techniques, the need to clean up fuels, and the importance of the land-base for cultural purposes. Chinook is doing a large WRR project around Rose Lake this year.

New Business

MNP will complete the audit for this fiscal year.

Correspondence

Ts'il Kaz Koh First Nation and the Ministry of Forests provided support letters for Chinook's FESBC funding request.

Committees

The Donation Committee approved funding of \$6,600 for five organizations.

General Managers Report

Forest for Tomorrow: Uncha Mountain project fibre has been hauled, and piling and burning will occur when venting allows it.

FESBC fibre utilization project is completed.

Archaeological assessments completed last summer included artefacts found in the Takysie Lake area. Meetings are set with stakeholders.

A new FESBC application is being submitted for the activities required to complete the WRR prescriptions around Rose Lake and on the south side of Francios Lake. If the application is approved, FESBC will cover the costs of hand treatments, raking, and piling.

Approval of CP 300, Pinkut and Hanney wildfire areas is in process.

General Manager Ken Nielsen has tentatively agreed to speak at the North Central Local Government Association conference in May on behalf of community forests.

2024 Regen Survey are complete.