

# CHINOOK

## COMMUNITY FOREST

May 12, 2026 Public Record of Meeting – 9:00 A.M. BLNDC Board Room

### PRESENT

Shannon Haizimsque, President  
Wet'suwet'en Representative

Rilla Middleton, Vice President  
RDBN – Area B Representative

Paul Davidson, Secretary  
Village of Burns Lake Representative

Kieran Broderick, Treasurer  
Nee Tahi Buhn Nation Representative

Greg Hill, Director - regrets  
RDBN Area E Representative

Duane Crouse, Director  
Lake Babine Nation Representative

Ben Wilson, Director - regrets  
Cheslatta Carrier Nation Representative

Ts'il Kaz Koh Representative  
Daniel Cunningham, Director

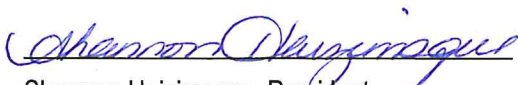
Skin Tyee Representative  
vacant

Ken Nielsen,  
General Manager

Valerie Anderson  
Executive Assistant/Accounting

The meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

**Next meeting: June 10, 2026 at 9:00 am**

  
Shannon Haizimsque, President

  
Ken Nielsen, General Manager

### PRESENTATION – Burns Lake Men's Shed

Henry Wiebe provided an overview of the program and information on its success in neighbouring communities. The goal of the program is for senior men to have an outlet for socialization.

The non-profit group has secured a location and are now seeking start-up funding.

### OLD BUSINESS

The K4R licence is at the district office, awaiting the District Manager's signature. The mileage reimbursement rate was increased to match the April 1, 2026 CRA rate.

### NEW BUSINESS

The 2026/27 budget was approved by the board. The finance policy will be reviewed by the Finance Committee.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Chinook received hand delivered thank-you cards from the LDSS Wrestling and Snowboard/Ski teams.

### DONATION COMMITTEE

At the May 1 committee meeting, \$4,470 was awarded to three local organizations.

### GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- YLP-Spectrum Resources were the successful bidder for the 2026 planting contract. Planting has started.
- K4R & WR4 cutting permits have been completed.
- CP 100 – roughly 7,000m<sup>3</sup> has been delivered, 25,000m<sup>3</sup> is spring decked.
- Our General Manager will participate with MOF representatives from Victoria. He will show them an OGMA within a WUI on Chinook's tenure on the southside. Successes and failures will be highlighted.
- Three board members and the general manager will attend the annual BC Community Forest conference being held in Vernon, June 2- 5.

National Indigenous Peoples Day is June 21.  
The parade starts at 10:00 am. Chinook is a proud sponsor of this event.

