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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF FOREST & WILDLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017, STARTING AT 3:00 P.M.
 In the Flute Room
 4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V0N 1B4

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Name	Meetings to Date: 4
Present:	
AWARE, Claire Ruddy, Chair	3
Member at Large, Derek Bonin	4
Member at Large, Arthur DeJong	4
Member at Large, Johnny Mikes	4
Member at Large, Trevor Burton	3
Member at Large, Mac Lowry	2
Member at Large, Colin Rankin	3
Member at Large, Candace Rose-Taylor	2
Councillor Andree Janyk	1
Regrets:	
WORCA, Todd Hellinga	2
Member at Large, Kathi Bridge	2
Recording Secretary	
Heather Beresford	4

Adoption of Agenda

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Moved by C. Rose-Taylor
 Seconded by M. Lowry

That the Forest & Wildland Advisory Committee adopt the Forest & Wildland Advisory Committee agenda for April 12, 2017.

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

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Moved by D. Bonin
 Seconded by A. DeJong

That the Forest & Wildland Advisory Committee adopt the Forest & Wildland Advisory Committee minutes for March 8, 2017.

CARRIED

Verbal Reports

AWARE:

- Planning and summer hiring stages.

WORCA:

- N/A

RMOW:

- Proposals received for Alpine Meadows/CCF5 fuel thinning project
- Brio site will be completed in spring
- RMOW received funding from Forest Enhancement Society for completion of Callaghan road fuel thinning in spring 2017
- RMOW and CCF developing a Memorandum of Understanding for conducting fuel thinning on CCF tenure.

C. Rankin arrived at 3:12 p.m.

- Parkhurst property purchased by RMOW. Discussion re: considering environmental values when considering development options
- Organize FWAC field trip for late May. Include wildfire thinning site

A. Janyk and T. Cole arrived at 3:30 p.m.

Council:

- Gateway project underway; asphalt plant tenure referral; artificial turf; Parkhurst purchase

Cheakamus Community Forest:

- T. Cole making presentation

Presentation by Tom Cole regarding the Cheakamus Community Forest.

Cheakamus Community
Forest Project Updates

CCF 2017 Harvesting/Fuel Thinning Update:

Wedge 08

- Completed in January. Dead pine being cleared from Wedgewood property. Two openings in W08C postponed due to road costs. Will consider for fuel thinning project.
- Wedge 02 – completed. Still some post-treatment and road deactivation to occur in May. FWAC suggested CCF share information on that site with public.
- 8,000 m3 removed from Wedge to date.
- Parkhurst property adjacent. Discussion regarding involving community in discussion on future development of site.

Callaghan FSR (R06 & R07)

- Fuel thinning will continue in spring

A01

- Sqomish wants to add 4-4.5 hectare opening (A01H) to offset road costs. Not on current CCF plans. An opening over 2 hectares receives increased tree retention. Adds ~2500 m3 additional volume.

P07

- Lil'wat reviewing options. Expensive to develop.

Cheakamus 15 (a, b)

- Will reopen road for harvesting in spring 2017

I05 (near Loggers Lake)

- May be considered for fuel thinning in future

Cheakamus Lake Road

- FLNRO preparing prescriptions in 2017, RMOW will apply for funding to thin in 2018
- Blackwell preparing 3 year fuel thinning plan for CCF area

ACTION: Present 3 year fuel thinning plan to FWAC.

Access Management Planning:

- FWAC March 8 comments received
- T. Cole continues to meet with stakeholders (commercial rec operators, BC Hydro, REX Operations, FLNRO, BC Parks)
- CCF scheduling open house for spring 2017 and will share draft plans with public
- CCF would like FWAC to review list of priority roads and provide comments

Road Transfers:

- MOF requesting CCF take responsibility for some roads that no longer meet Forest Service Road standards/criteria.
- FWAC reviewed CCF road recommendation spreadsheet
- Cheakamus Section 6 (Basalt Valley) goes through quarry and is a critical piece to retain access to so that CCF can avoid using Loggers Lake road.
- Callaghan, 16 Mile and Cheakamus Lake roads still meet FSR standards. CCF & FLNRO discussing opportunities to share maintenance resources.

Discussion:

- FWAC will review map and provide comments. CCF will review/revise map and share at open house, then take to CCF Board.
- FWAC suggested renaming this map/report to Coordinated CCF Road Plan (or similar) because FWAC is concerned that the plan does not represent a comprehensive access plan and that referring to it as such with stakeholders could lead to misinterpretation.

ACTION: T. Cole to provide table with rationales or embedded comments in map for FWAC's review.

T. Cole noted that CCF Forest Stewardship Plan is being updated this year.

Other Business

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N/A

Future Agenda Items:

- TBD: Presentation by Bob Cunneyworth, FLNRO Compliance and Enforcement Officer
- May: M. Pardoe, RMOW Parks Planner – RLAC & TPWG update
- May: T. Hellinga, WORCA 10-year Plan; and ACC plans

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by J. Mikes

That the Forest & Wildland Advisory Committee adjourn the April 12, 2017 meeting at 5:01 p.m.

CARRIED

CHAIR: C. Ruddy

RECORDING SECRETARY: H. Beresford