

ISLAND CORRIDOR FOUNDATION

May 18th, 2023

11:00am – 12:00pm

Via Zoom Video Conference

BOARD MINUTES

Directors

Aaron Stone (Chair)	Cowichan Valley Regional District
Barb Desjardins	Capital Regional District
Ken McRae	Alberni Clayoquot Regional District
Daniel Arbour	Comox Valley Regional District
Ben Geselbracht	Regional District of Nanaimo
Tyler Brown	Director At Large
Jim Tatoosh	Hupacasath First Nation
Charlene Everson	Komoks First Nation

Not in Attendance:

Chief Ken Price	Komoks First Nation
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Staff

Larry Stevenson	Chief Executive Officer
Andrea Thomas	Manager, Corridor Development

1. Call to Order at 10:25am

2. Welcome New Board Directors

- 2.1 Chief Ken Price, Jim Tatoosh, and Barb Desjardins – Jim Tatoosh and Ken Price to fill remainder of two-year terms of vacant seats.

MOTION That the Board appoint Barb Desjardins as a Director to a two-year term ending in May 2025

CARRIED

MOTION That the Board appoint Ben Geselbracht as a Director to a two-year term ending in May 2025

CARRIED

MOTION That the Board appoint Jim Tatoosh as a Director to fill the remainder of a two-year term ending in May 2024

CARRIED

MOTION That the Board appoint Ken Price as a Director to fill the remainder of a two-year term ending in May 2024.

CARRIED

3. Appointing of the Co-Chairs

MOTION

That the Board Directors appoint Daniel Arbour as ICF Chair.

CARRIED

MOTION

That the Board hold off on nominating a Co-Chair until the next meeting.

CARRIED

4. Appointment of Director-at-Large seats

4.1 **MOTION**

That the Board appoint Tyler Brown as a Director-At-Large to a two-year term ending in May 2025.

CARRIED

MOTION

That the Board appoint Judith Sayers as a Director-At-Large to fill the remainder of a two-year term ending in May 2024.

CARRIED

5. Introduction of Late Items

5.1 Alberni Pacific Railway business

6. Approval of Agenda *Move to First*

6.1 Approve Agenda

MOTION

That the May 18th, 2023 Board agenda be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

7. Adoption of Minutes

7.1. March 23rd, 2023 and April 27th, 2023 – Appendix A

MOTION

That the minutes of the March 23rd, 2023 Board meeting and the April 27th Special Board meeting be adopted, as circulated.
CARRIED

8. Delegations & Correspondence

- 8.1 Letter from Russell Lyons – Appendix B – No action today
- 8.2 MOTI Response to Funding Request – Appendix C – Larry Update

MOTION

That the Board direct staff to write a letter to Bowin Ma regarding emergency preparedness quoting the portion of the Fleming Letter stating the need to protect and preserve and maintain the corridor form it as an inquiry. Copy Minister Fleming on the letter.

CARRIED

- 8.3 Comox Valley Regional District Letter – Appendix D

9. Report of the Chief Executive Officer

- 9.1 Report of the Chief Executive Officer
 - 9.1.1 ICF – Regional District CAO Meeting
 - 9.1.2 ICF – MOTI Interaction – Next Steps
 - 9.1.3 Funding Request MOTI
 - 9.1.4 Insurance Update

10. Report of the Chief Financial Officer

- 10.1 Payables – Appendix E

MOTION

That the Board approve payables for the months of March, and April 2023 in the amount of \$59,838.25

CARRIED

MOTION

That the Board reviewed and approves March, April 2023 variance budget

CARRIED

10.2 Monthly Financial Report – Account Balance

10.2.1 General Account balance: \$392,529.00

11. Report of First Nations Liaison

11.1 Stzuminus came through an election with a full turnover. Welcoming back Chief John Elliott.

Halalt is deep in restorative recovery with new infrastructure and homes being raised.

Had a meeting with RSTBC (TrailsBC), lengthy meeting going over the legacy of colonization, the creation of rail and what it would take to turn the corridor into a trail in the lens of FN. Came to the understanding that it would be costly, environmental impacts and lack of agreement by the nations.

Question of “Can the rail line be used as ingress/egress in the event of floods/fire” was brought to me by a collective. Discussion was had, planning and deep engagement needs to take place. Environmental impacts are present and there needs to be political will matched with funding. Looking at this as part of a mitigation strategy

12. Property Management

MOTION TO RECEIVE Report CARRIED

12.1 Courtenay Station Re-Zoning

13. New Business

13.1 Directors Expense Policy -

MOTION

That the Board direct staff to bring revised expense policies options to the next meeting

CARRIED

14. Closed Session

14.1 Motion to move to Closed Session

MOTION

That the meeting be closed to discuss matters related to:
Personnel information
Ongoing Legal Matters
Land disposition matters
CARRIED

15. Next Meeting

15.1 July 24th, 2023

16. Adjournment

16.1 Adjourn

MOTION

That the May 18th, 2023 Board meeting be adjourned at 1:03pm.
CARRIED