

Directors' Report

The Wells-Barkerville Community Forest Corporation (WBCFC) has been granted a 5-year license for the Wells-Barkerville Community Forest. The 2016 year was a successful year for the Corporation, with a focus on expanding our forest and providing services for moving forward in forestry with the community.

2016 Year Report

The WBCFC held their public meeting on the 1st of February 2016, in the direction of the forest. The meeting was held in the direction of the forest, with a focus on expanding our forest and providing services for moving forward in forestry with the community. The meeting was held in the direction of the forest, with a focus on expanding our forest and providing services for moving forward in forestry with the community.

Wells-Barkerville Community Forest Corporation 2016 Annual Report

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The Wells-Barkerville Community Forest Corporation (WBCFC) has completed its second year of holding a Community Forest License for the Wells-Barkerville Community Forest.

In the 2015-2016 year, the Wells-Barkerville Community Forest Corporation was engaged in planning and initiated a process for moving forward in forestry operations.

Public Engagement

Since the last Annual Report, the WBCFC held three public engagement meetings to ensure that the public was informed on the direction of the forest operations and was engaged early in the process of determining an operational partner. Following these meetings, public were also invited to take part in the selection of the operational partner through open presentations and feedback forms. Updates were also sent by email and were published in the Wellspring.

Operations

The WBCFC did not engage in any forestry activities in the 2015-2016 year. The Board of Directors determined that the best course of action for beginning forest operations was to find a supporting operational partner. Through an open Request for Qualifications process and with input from the community, the WBCFC is now in contract negotiations with West Fraser Mills.

Policy

The WBCFC Board of Directors has been reviewing some of the policies set out for the Wells-Barkerville Community Forest. Through the year, the vision, values and goals we affirmed by both the board and the public. The Board also reviewed the policy for selection of directors. A motion, supported by the shareholder, was made to expand the number of directors and to set terms for appointments.

Other Activities

The WBCFC continues to be a member of the BC Community Forest Association. Staff member, Margaret Inoue was nominated to the BCCFA Board of Directors and now represents the WBCFC on the Executive of the BCCFA.

Financials

Wells-Barkerville Community Forest		
Expenses	2016 Budget	2016 Actual
2017 Annual Rent	\$1,850.00	\$1,850.00
Legal fees	\$200.00	\$0.00*
2016 BCCFA dues	\$288.75	\$288.75
Total Expenses	\$2,338.75	\$2138.75
Income	2015-16 Budget	2015-16 Actual
	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Income	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance		-\$2138.75

*Legal fees will be incurred in 2016 for filing of annual documentation and resolutions.

In 2016, the Board of Directors passed a resolution that all debts to the District of Wells would be paid back in full. The debt accrued from 2015 along with the above debt and any additional expenses will be returned when there is income to the WBCFC.