

**QB Streamkeepers Society - Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**QF Boardroom - 9:30am Wednesday, May 11, 2016**

Present: David (Chair), Mike, John, Neil, Don, Louella, Gord, and Pat

Items of Business:

1. Minutes - Moved by Louella, seconded by Don that the minutes of March 9, 2016 be accepted. Carried.

2. Financial Report - Louella advised a balance of \$7364.00 in our savings account and \$1728.00 in our chequing account. Recent expenses include approx. \$500. for the AGM and \$840.00 for year-end accounting fees, part of which will be returned in the form of a donation.

3. Project Activity

- Grandon Creek/Beach Creek Review by Dave Davies and Dave Clough -( April 21, 2016 report). No near term work for Beach Creek, but some LWD placements in the large pool area suggested for Grandon this summer. David to follow up with Dave Clough, we need to apply for a permit soon.

- Beach Creek - The pond boards were installed at the golf course on May 4th, and are working well.

- Little Qualicum River Estuary - Plans are being made to set up a tour with the new owners of the Marshall property. First watering session took place May 9. David reports 66/99 plantings in the enclosures survived, and that number is 64/70 if evergreens are removed from the stats. Very worthwhile activity! David to organize a watering session for the week of May 16th.

- Monitoring and waterings of plantings - Given the likelihood of dry conditions this summer, we will need to monitor and water recently planted trees at Grandon Creek, cedars by the LQR Bridge, Village Way, and the estuary. Don has researched portable watering devices, and suggests we invest in a back-pack 4.1 gallon watering device that costs approx. \$100. This was approved.

- Invasives/Hogweed - John will contact Michael Jessen and follow-up with the Town regarding setting up an early June work party to deal with Hogweed on the Airport Property adjacent to French Creek. (Thanks for all your excellent leadership on this file Michael)

- Heritage Forest - Pat to send out notice to Membership re Work-Party at the Heritage Forest on Saturday May 28th, 10:00am to 1pm . This work party will be

to spread mulch on the trails . Meeting place is the St. Andrew's Road trail entrance.

#### 4. Outreach and Communication

- Several members attended the DFO volunteer recognition event at Deep Bay. Faye was presented with a 20th Anniversary Award for QB Streamkeepers. It was recommended that we contact the Town re finding a place for public display of the award and that David arrange a photo session and a PQB News story along with the Mayor and founding members Bob Drew-Brook, Faye Smith, and Scott Tanner.

- Faye took the QB Streamkeeper Display to the River Never Sleeps Festival at Rosewall Creek on May 2nd. There was good attendance and lots of interest, particularly in the Salmon Toss. Neil suggested that we are at saturation in terms of participants, and should look at maybe adding another truck, and also scoping out new sites for the carcasses.

- Family Day - Sunday May 29th

We need volunteers to set-up at 11:00, and to staff the booth from 1-3. Susan, Louella, Carol, Gord and Mike have volunteered. Anyone else please contact David. We will do the wheel and David has purchased some books for draw prizes.

- Castaways - Don is the liaison with this group and is attending their meetings. They want to get more involved in environmental opportunities, and can be a good source of volunteers for specific projects. Don will keep them apprised of our activities.

#### 5. Administration

- meeting schedule - agreed to stay with a monthly meeting on the second Wednesday of every month, next meeting June 8th.

- membership - we have 33 paid memberships, which is up from last year. It is important that active volunteers are paid members so they are covered by our insurance policy.

- PSF membership and volunteer insurance will be submitted by Louella. This is effective June 1st.

#### 6. Website

- Has been significantly updated, thanks Diana.

- Pat to send out current stats to the Board.

## 7. Next Meeting

- Wednesday, June 8th, at 9:30am QF Boardroom

Prepared by Pat Jacobson  
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