

**Forest History Association of Alberta
Minutes of Directors' Meeting
December 20, 2007
11th Floor, Boardroom A, SPP
Edmonton, Alberta**

Meeting started at 10:15 a.m.

Present

Peter Murphy, Arden Rytz, Bruce Mayer, Bob Udell, Bob Newstead, Fred McDougall
Butch Shenfield joined the meeting via conference call. Cliff Henderson joined later in
the meeting.

Regrets

Bob Stevenson

Minutes of December 2005 meeting

Minutes of the 2005 executive meeting were circulated by Bruce Mayer. Although an
executive meeting was not convened in 2006, the general meetings of 2006 and 2007
effectively dealt with FHAA business matters.

Approved - Moved by Bob Udell, seconded by Arden Rytz. Carried

Treasurer's report

Bruce Mayer provided a verbal financial report and indicated that FHAA year-end reports
were being prepared and submitted as required. The bank balance stands at pproximately
\$9400 as derived primarily from membership dues and small donations. Membership
currently stands at 132. Membership renewals will be distributed beginning early in 2008
along with a brief report on FHAA achievements in 2007. The next AGM is planned for
March, 2008.

Other business

There was a brief discussion on the conversion and retention of non-print media of
historical significance. These could include film and/or video media, 35mm slides and
other recorded media of importance.

Butch Shenfield provided a progress report on "old-timer" interviews completed during
the past several months and stated that he has hired Dennis Frisky to conduct these and
upcoming interviews. Butch will also be seeking additional support for the interview
project from Keith Branter. Butch summarily distributed a summary list of all interviews
completed to date to executive members. There was some additional discussion on the
need to expand the FHAA potential "old-timers" interview list to include former
employees of the forest industry, federal government, university and technical schools
and possibly other sources having past knowledge of Alberta's forest history.

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This will be undertaken under the guidance of Bruce and Butch with input from FHAA member sources and any other available sources. Bruce Mayer reported that he has had 18 electronic interviews transcribed (verbatim) to paper copy. Bruce concluded this discussion with a brief progress report on the FHAA archives storage project under development at the Forestry Training Centre in Hinton.

Bob Udell distributed and discussed the proposed 2008-09 Foothills Model Forest (FMF) Adaptive Forest Management/History Program. Three history projects are being proposed for funding but additional or “seed” funds are being sought from the FHAA to show support for these undertakings. There was some additional discussion along these lines with regard to future project opportunities elsewhere in Alberta beyond the Model Forest boundaries.

The FHAA executive endorsed its support for the proposed FMF projects 2 and 3 (DVD - “The Roots of the Present are Buried in the Past”; and, “The Last Patrol”) in the amount of \$1500 each (total \$3000).

Moved by Fred McDougall; seconded by Butch Shenfield. Carried

Bruce Mayer has received a request from Alberta Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture to assist in collecting information and photos of historical provincial cabins and sites. Bruce will work with TPRC to seek grant funding that may be available, and the development of a workplan.

Peter Murphy provided the executive with an update on the BC Forest History Assn. website development. Peter noted that Mike Apsey is quite active in the BC FHA; and there is growing interest in forest history association activities in BC and beyond - up to and including the national level. Bruce Mayer is pursuing website development options as well for the FHAA.

Adjournment

Moved by Bruce Mayer; seconded by Cliff Henderson. Carried

Meeting closed at 11:30 a.m.