



Elders Council for Parks In British Columbia

April Minutes

Tuesday April 8, 2025 – 10:00am

Meeting held Via Zoom

In Attendance: Wayne Stetski (President), Mel Turner, Colin Campbell
Nancy Wilkin, Mark Haddock, Bev Ramey, Bob Peart
Tory Stevens, Bill Henwood

Gallivanting: Kaaren Lewis, Ric Careless

President Stetski thanked everyone for attending the meeting and acknowledged the meeting on traditional territories.

1. Approval of the Agenda

*Moved by Colin, seconded by Nancy, that the agenda be approved. **CARRIED***

2. Approval of March 11 Minutes

*Moved by Nancy, seconded by Tory that the minutes be approved. **CARRIED***

3. Treasurer's Report

Bill reported that the General Account had just over \$2800 cash and a \$9,000 term deposit, and the Gaming Account had about \$7257.

Mel reported that we are still awaiting the results of our appeal for our original submission.

4. Elders' Projects

A) May 8 meeting with Ministers

Wayne reported that the Society will meet with Minister Neill and Minister Davidson in Victoria.

Potential discussion topics include 30 x 30, status of national park proposals, definition of indigenous protected areas and planning process, budget compared to other jurisdictions, the reservation system for camping and day use.

B) BC Timber Sales/Collections

Bob reported that he attended, with Mark, John Cashore's 90th birthday and the positiveness of the Cashore era.

Bob will get a budget request from UVic for archival information for Harold Eidsvik and Ches Lyons.

Bob also reported concerns about recent comments of harvesting in BC Parks for forest disease and fire protection. The concern will be voiced at the May 8 meeting.

C) Budget Consultation

Wayne advised that anyone wishing to present needs to get in their request.

5. Next Meeting

Next meeting: May 13, 10am.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:50am.