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Regular Meeting  
October 19, 2023  
Horsefly Library  
Horsefly BC

Minutes

<b>Present</b>	<b>Regrets</b>
Chair Brian Englund	Lorena Tillotsen
Vice Chair Bill Lloyd by zoom	Ray Englund
Treasurer Helen Englund	Director Kirsten Saunders
Secretary Elaine armagost	Monika Schlepper
Sue Woermke	
Director Judy Hillaby by zoom	
Director Rick Walters	
Dina Stephenson by Zoom	<b>Non Members Present</b>
Richard Hogan by zoom	Marlyne Osinchuk
Phil Hartman late by zoom	
Jenny Noble	

Chair Englund called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

Director Armagost Moved the agenda be accepted, Noble seconded.  
Carried

Director Englund moved the minutes be accepted as read, Director Walters seconded the motion.  
Carried

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## Financial Report

*Our Mission: To be a catalyst to achieve and maintain healthy Horsefly community watersheds, through coordinated management of all resources, respect for all concerns and cooperative, positive action.*



### STATUS OF PROJECT FINANCES SEPTEMBER ,2023

Project	August 31,2023	September 30,2023	Comments
General	\$737.87	\$1,543.87	SF – Food/ Clothing sales.
DFO/PIP	-\$108.21	\$5,352.30	\$ 5,500 DFO cheque arrived, deposited September 7,2023
Trail/CRD	\$1,518.48	\$ 1,518.48	No change, cleaned up after festival.
Stream keepers	\$3,100.45	\$2,047.17	Purchase of power pack, need to complete contract with PSF
Salmon Festival	\$18,769.03	\$11,202.08	Waiting for more invoices for completion.
Archway/statue	0	0	No change. Ceremony required.
Restoration	\$ 599.00	\$ 599.50	No change.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$24,617.12</b>	<b>\$22,263.40</b>	Agrees with the bank account Oct 18, 2023 Includes outstanding cheques and deposits.

*We recognize that we are in the traditional territory of the Xats'ull/Cmetem' (Soda/Deep Creek); T'exelc (Williams Lake) and Tsq'escen' (Canim Lake) people*



4:23 PM  
 10/18/23  
 Accrual Basis

**HORSEFLY RIVER ROUNDTABLE**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 August through September 2023

	Aug - Sep 23
<b>Income</b>	
Direct Public Support	
Individ, Business Contributions	0.02
<b>Total Direct Public Support</b>	0.02
<b>MEMBERSHIPS</b>	70.00
Public Grants	
Government Agencies	17,300.00
NGOs and Trusts	2,300.00
<b>Total Public Grants</b>	19,600.00
Special Events Income	904.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>20,574.02</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>BANK CHARGES</b>	
SERVICE CHARGES	12.00
BANK CHARGES - Other	13.00
<b>Total BANK CHARGES</b>	25.00
Contract Services	
Professional	400.00
TECHNICAL/ OUTDOOR SUPPORT	1,729.35
<b>Total Contract Services</b>	2,129.35
Facilities and Equipment	
FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT -OTHER	3,353.28
<b>Total Facilities and Equipment</b>	3,353.28
Operations	
Postage, Mailing Service	
POSTAGE/MAILING SERVICES-OTHER	20.99
<b>Total Postage, Mailing Service</b>	20.99
<b>Total Operations</b>	<b>20.99</b>
Other Types of Expenses	
Advertising	
PRINTED ADS	989.99
<b>Total Advertising</b>	989.99
EVENT COORDINATOR	2,800.00
Insurance	460.00
VOLUNTEER MEALS	1,000.00
VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION	61.47
<b>Total Other Types of Expenses</b>	5,311.46
Supplies	
SUPPLIES -OTHER	294.14
<b>Total Supplies</b>	294.14
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>11,134.22</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b><u>9,439.80</u></b>

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Member Noble moved the financial report be accepted. Director Lloyd seconded.  
Carried

## Director/Committee Reports

### Manager Stevenson **Salmon Festival Wrap up**

Discussion: The event was held September 9 & 10, 2023 with good success, lots of response, great Tribune article, food vendors were great, lots of phone calls. Even with other events taking place in Williams Lake and devastating fires within British Columbia, Canada and the world, 600 adults, 300 Children and 30 dogs.

Many locals came from Horsefly, Williams Lake, 150 mile house, Spokin Lake, Likely, Rose Lake, McLeese Lake, Miocene. A little further away people travelled from Revelstoke, Langley, Prince George, Comox, Chemainus, Felker Lake, Kelowna, Victoria, Quesnell, Chimney Lake, Forest Grove, Lone Butt, Soda Creek, Lac La Hache, Alexis Creek. Out of province travellers came from Strathmore AB, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, Calgary, Red Deer and International guests from the Netherlands, Germany, Northern Ireland, Argentina and Mexico

Next years dates will be September 14 and 15, 2024.

Judy discussed recording items at Salmon Festival, Dina, Helen and Judy will work together to prepare the information for the final report.

Director Lloyd moved that the Salmon Festival Wrap Up be accepted as presented, Director Hillaby seconded.  
Carried

### Director Hillaby **Public Involvement Program (PIP)**

Discussion: PIP money covers basic expenses for the year, Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) supplies approximately \$5,500.00, we need to spend and record allocated monies in order to easily prepare the final report.

#### **Vexilar Cameras**

Discussion: Contract complete, HRR should consider purchasing cables

#### **Power Banks**

This is part of the Pacific Salmon Foundation (PSF) contract, will finish and submit final report

#### **Range Finder**

This is part of a PSF contract, it is completed as the range finder has been purchased

#### **Final Kiosk Report**

Almost complete, financial info from 2019 and 2020 invoices (3 or 4) are required, Director Englund will find the invoices, allowing the final report to be submitted.

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Director Englund moved to accept Director Hillaby report, Director Lloyd seconded.  
Carried

### Director Englund **Watershed Restoration**

Discussion: Not much going on, MOF Jason and FN work group for the work and add HRR and Licencees and Cattlemen's Association, Guides, trappers etc. will be invited where required. There are a lot of folks doing restoration, Canadian Wildlife, Nature Conservancy, Tolko, West Fraser etc. The hope is that this new group will collaborate on future restoration works. It was suggested that HRR stakeholders should include many of these organizations and that a sub committee should be formed. Dates for future meetings to come.

### **Forestry Open House**

Discussion: The event was held on October 14, 2023 at the Horsefly Community Hall. Raw notes of the event have been sent. 32 people signed in and 37 folks were counted by Nobles tally clicker. The conversation was really good and very inclusive. Post maps and referral letters on social media for the public to make their own comments. HRR comments can be organized through email. Referrals will be sent to everyone for comment, an email discussion will result in a formal comment to licencees from the HRR.

It was suggested that current forestry proposals such as Prairie Creek and Fritz Creek should be posted on Social Media with encouragement for public comment.

Some discussion around discrepancies of percentages of clear cut existing in the ECA's defined under the Fisheries Sensitive Watershed Order (FSW). Director Armagost has pushed to be part of the licencee and government ECA group, as they are determining more accurate estimates, perhaps with Lydar. It was suggested that HRR pursue funding through the Habitat Conservation Trust Fund and compare to what the group determines. Chair Englund and Director Walters will pursue this funding source as well as look for further grants which are applicable for an independent assessment.

Woermke spoke to the question of when will plantations that are beyond Free To Grow reach hydrological recovery, and thereby possible contribute to forested land base. She shared that no one is doing Green Up Surveys anymore on these stands that are considered free growing. Survey Data is not accurate lately, assessing blocks post free growing, get funding from government to do it. HRR should pursue funding for Green Up Surveys. Here is the link to the Document: [https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/ftp/hfp/external/publish/FPC archive/old web site contents/fpc/fpcguide/greenup/index.htm](https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/ftp/hfp/external/publish/FPC%20archive/old%20web%20site%20contents/fpc/fpcguide/greenup/index.htm)

### **Danger Tree Assessment**

Discussion: Some windy times at Arts on the Fly had folks a little worried about snags and widow makers. Woermke, who holds certification volunteered to do a Danger Tree

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Assessment, should any work be required, Director Englund will contact the DFO to make arrangements.

### **Josh Pressey Letter**

Discussion: The letter sent in April has still had no response.

### **Boardwalk on River Trail**

Discussion: The Drawing/Plan has been submitted to DFO from Tolko. Once approval is provided we can move forward. Collaboration is in place with First Nations regarding funding and completing an Archaeological Assessment, which must also be completed prior to any soil disturbance. Leading Edge may help us out with decking, lots of groups have volunteered to help, if plans are approved and archaeological assessment is acceptable, HRR will plan a community event and tear down the old and install the new.

Director Englund will send the plan to Director Hillaby.

Director Walters moved that Director Englund report be accepted as presented, Chair Englund seconded.

Carried

Saunders

### **Salmon Egg Float Fundraiser**

Later in the meeting a discussion was had regarding a special dedication for the Fish Pole, it was thought that perhaps we can incorporate this with the Salmon Edd Float, perhaps a parade?

Carried Forward

## **Old Business**

### **Clean Drain and Dry**

Discussion: There is no longer a Clean Drain and Dry Your Boat campaign. Monies owing will be returned.

Carried Forward

### **Overnight Parking**

Discussion: DFO has been notified, waiting for reply.

Carried Forward

### **Community Forest**

Discussion: The application process takes about three years to finalize and it will be difficult to find a location. It would be a lot of work, but a really good idea.

Carried Forward

### **Fisheries Sensitive Watershed Independent Consultant**

Discussion: Funding will be required as stated previously, Director Walters and Chair Englund will pursue this further.

Carried Forward

## **2023 Projects**

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Discussion: The only outstanding item is for Directors Englund and Armagost to apply concrete sealer to the Salmon and the outhouse floor.

Carried Forward

### **Third Kiosk**

Discussion was that Tillotsen was to spearhead this initiative, they were unable to make the meeting as they are working on a contract.

Carry forward

## **New Business**

### **Quesnel River Research Open House, Horsefly River Watershed Siltation Study**

Discussion: Director Lloyd spoke to James Chapman whose masters project is a siltation study on the Horsefly River. He is installing measurement stations, there is one by McKinley Lake, he will put 5-6 more stations on the river over time. Chapman would like to present findings to HRR in the spring, but will report further around the end of the year. Chair Englund is working with Chapman to discuss placing stations, it was suggested that private land locations would be good as access will not be an issue. A further suggestion was made that Chapman correlate his data with other studies. In the 1980's, Rob Dolahan did a study, Armagost will look for it in the archives and share it.

Carried Forward

### **Jet Boats on the river during spawning season**

Tina from Horsefly River Flats will be a catalyst for jet boat closures.

Carried Forward

### **Stream Keepers**

Discussion: There have been attempts in the past to create a Stream Keepers sub-group. ZoAnn Morten of the Pacific Streamkeepers Federation has completed training for our area, some measurements have been taken and are published on the Horsefly River Roundtable website. Aline Lachapelle, Stewardship Forester from Williams Lake who attended the Forestry Open House is also working with Licensees and First Nations to create a similar survey protocol. Director Armagost volunteered to work towards getting all the groups together to streamline the survey protocol, share knowledge and perhaps create a youth program.

Carried Forward

### **Meeting Schedule/Frequency**

Discussion was had around the number of times we ought to meet in 2024. It was decided to change the November meeting from Dec 21 to November 30, 2023, and to hold it again at the Library. Items for November meeting will be:

- Reporting for all contracts
- Lay out 2024
- Forestry Timeline

Carried Forward

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### **HRR acquiring a Zoom Account**

Discussion was that we use Zoom for our meetings, it is a great resource for collaborating. A Zoom Account will cost approximately \$100 per month. We will run Zoom and get solid numbers, will add to PIP account

Director Walters moved that HRR get a Zoom account, Director Englund seconded.  
Carried

### **Correspondence**

Buzz Article read it here:

<https://horseflyriver.ca/2023/uncategorized/horsefly-river-roundtable-group-appeals-for-community-input-in-protecting-watershed-health/>

Marlyne Osinchuk, the HRR Book keeper wanted to know when is the budget usually created and who does it. Discussion was that the HRR is a fluid organization, following funding and projects as they become available, and fit objectives. The Agenda for November will have planning for the 2024 PIP contract, an update on funding for an independent contractor and closure of other projects that are currently outstanding. HRR needs to check for funding opportunities, CRD, etc. Noble and Armagost can help with funding applications

### **Assets**

Discussion: Currently our assets are stored in the basement of SAWS, Director Englund is checking into rental insurance for those assets. A few volunteers are required to help complete an up to date inventory.  
Carried Forward

Adjourn. Director Englund moved the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 pm., Chair Englund seconded.  
Carried