Powell River Forestry Heritage Society -- Regular Meeting
PR Historical Museum Admin Building -- June 2, 2015

Members Present: Dave Florence, Hans Maurer, Dan Parsons, Mike Lister, Bert Finnamore, Chet Fee, Doug Lott, Sharon Taylor, Philip Kemp, Rob Clarke, Jerry Oszust, Marian Kemp, Leif Bjornson, Linda Florence

Meeting called to order at 8:05 by Dave Florence. **Minutes** from March 10, 2015 were read and adopted, with spelling of "Willingdon" corrected. Hans Maurer presented the **Treasurers Report**, which was discussed and adopted. In response to queries as to our high $13,000 bank balance; it was explained that $5050 is committed to Railway projects which are delayed due to Lease delays; the $2000 insurance is due soon; and other projects are yet to be defined. If/When we get large spending plans, we can commit funds to Project Accounts and make our financial position more attractive for grant applications.

Business arising from the Minutes and Updates

- **Anderson Collection** - Bert Finnamore reported the Community Forest $12,000 grant was approved; the quote for transportation by City Transfer is delayed due to access for Eagle Cranes; and research on the Andersons is fascinating.

- **WIW1690 donkey project** Dan Parsons reported that the donkey frame and boiler were moved beside the sled logs by Harry Glosslee driving the huge T&R loader. Doug Lott and Dave Florence will develop a plan to build the sled to be presented to potential expert chain saw volunteers from industry. Marian Kemp suggested Roger Welp might be a resource. Mike Lister suggested we consider amalgamating the WIW frame from the trail. Dan Parsons suggested a possible source for a stack above the boiler, and will continue to investigate sources for the welding tasks.

- **Willingdon Beach trail** Mike Lister reported that he and Hans Maurer power washed the boom boat; the trestle and the steam donkey platform. Mike also to work on the interpretive signs and drainage in May. On Saturday June 6 there will be a painting work party with Powell River Scouts 0900 to 1200 to be attended by members Dave Florence, Leif Bjornson, Doug Lott and Geoff Stubbs. We may have access to the storage shed near the campground gate to return our paint, signs etc. Some of the points from the last Safety inspection will be addressed; and a new inspection completed in the fall. Jerry Ozsust suggested taping on pipe insulation for jagged cable ends.

- **Railroad** Dan Parsons reported the two new pedal cars are complete; two switch stands are installed; and the loco modifications (rubber drive wheel; Air horn, Light) are complete. Dan explained the delays in the sub-lease prevent us from moving forward with track expansion and additional storage ideas such as a roof and later a shed over the current load area; or expanding the existing shed. Mike Lister reported the recent short staffing; Dave Florence will implement the website list of who's available as we did last year. Friday June 5 at 1 pm will be a lawn-cutting workparty (Hans, Rob, Mike and others). Dave's water pump for the waterwheel has arrived; it will be tested and if ok installed along with a battery. On Saturday June 6 we are opening the train for Therapeutic Riding event (Steven, Hans and Mike in attendance)

New Business

- **Raffle** Dave will proceed with the licence application and purchase of two seals and a starfish sculpture for an Art-in-the-Park draw weekend late August
- **Sea Fair Float** Members decided to pass on 2015 and re-consider for 2016
- **Sea Fair Tent in front of the Museum** We will have one for selling raffle tickets.
- **Grizzley Bear maintenance** Doug Lott will deal with ant control as described by Jerry Oszust, and undertake varnishing if/when needed.

Next Meeting – Aug 11, 2015

Meeting adjourned at 8:30