

**LOWER MAINLAND TREATY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING**

**March 28, 2001**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Executive Committee** held at 5:13 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, 2001, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor west conference room, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, BC.

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>		
<b>JURISDICTION:</b>	<b>LMTAC REPRESENTATIVE:</b>	<b>ALTERNATE:</b>
North Vancouver District	Mayor Don Bell <b>(Chair)</b>	
Greater Vancouver RD	Mayor Ralph Drew <b>(Vice Chair)</b>	Marino Piombini
Village of Anmore	Mayor Hal Weinberg	
City of Coquitlam	Councillor Louella Hollington	
Corporation of Delta	Councillor Vicki Huntington	Claudia Chorozewski
Township of Langley	Councillor Mel Kositsky	
District of Maple Ridge	Councillor Candace Gordon	Ron Riach
North Vancouver District		Cameron Thom
District of Squamish	Mayor Corinne Lonsdale	
Squamish-Lillooet RD	Director Pam Tattersfield	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Lee Turnbull	
<b>LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:</b>		
David Didluck	LMTAC Executive Director	
Kirstie Pirie	LMTAC Communications Coordinator	
Vivian Guthrie	Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures	
<b>GUESTS:</b>		
Councillor Mary Wade Anderson, City of White Rock		
Bill Seymour, Consultation Manager, BC Team South		

**1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**1.1 March 28, 2001 Executive Committee Agenda**

**It was MOVED (Hollington) and SECONDED (Kositsky)**

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee scheduled March 28, 2001 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

**2.1 February 28, 2001 Executive Committee Minutes**

**2.2 February 2, 2001 Finance and Organizational Subcommittee Minutes**

**2.3 March 7, 2001 Communications Subcommittee Minutes**

**It was MOVED (Gordon) and SECONDED (Hollington)**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee held February 28, 2001 be adopted as circulated; and

THAT the Minutes of the LMTAC Finance and Organizational Subcommittee Meeting held March 2, 2001, and the Minutes of the LMTAC Communications Subcommittee Meeting held March 7, 2001 be received for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. DELEGATIONS**

No Delegations were received at the meeting.

#### 4. REPORTS

No Reports were received at the meeting.

#### 5. STANDING REPORTS

##### 5.1 Chair

Chair Bell thanked Vice Chair Drew and Councillor Louella Hollington for their roles in expediting meetings during his absence and introduced for discussion the possibility of holding the May 9, 2001 meeting in conjunction with the Lower Mainland Municipal Association meeting in Harrison Hot Springs.

##### It was MOVED (Hollington) and SECONDED (Weinberg)

That the LMTAC Executive Committee cancel its May 9, 2001 meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

##### It was MOVED (Hollington) and SECONDED (Tattersfield)

THAT the LMTAC Executive Committee direct staff to schedule a Committee meeting on an as needed basis during the week of May 12, 2001.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

##### 5.2 Executive Director

David Didluck, Executive Director, introduced for consideration the possibility of reducing the number of Executive Committee meetings to one per month by canceling the Committee's regularly scheduled month-end meeting.

In discussion members were uncomfortable reducing the number of meetings to once a month, and it was agreed that two Executive Committee meetings a month were strategically and operationally necessary.

##### 5.3 Communications Subcommittee

Mayor Hal Weinberg, Communications Subcommittee Chair, in an overhead presentation, introduced "Paddling Together (Economic, Environmental & Social Life in an Urban Setting)", a draft plan for LMTAC's September Conference Program, for members' review and comment.

Kirstie Pirie, Communications Coordinator, explained that the intent of the Conference is to develop a regional vision for business/economic, environmental and social community partnerships in the Lower Mainland. An outline of suggested case studies using Lower Mainland examples to evaluate associated pros and cons for each theme is proposed as follows:

- a) Business/Economic
  - Tourism Blue Initiative
  - Discovery Harbour Centre
  - Other Private/Public Partnerships (PPPs) shopping centres, ecosystems, etc.
- b) Environmental
  - Matsqui Trail Project
  - Coordinated Howe Sound Planning
  - Fraser River Stewardship
- c) Social
  - Urban Aboriginal Council
  - Homelessness

The Conference would be no longer than two days in September 2001, which would allow 1/2 day to develop recommendations under each theme. Speakers would include high profile individuals and local groups and representatives of the Senate Committee on Aboriginal Affairs and the province.

Mayor Weinberg reviewed the anticipated Conference outcomes explaining that participants would gain knowledge and understanding of the following:

- tools to facilitate business and local community interests with people of the First Nations;

- relative key issues pertaining to local government;
- regional driven solutions from a community perspective; and
- cross-cultural integration perspectives.

In discussion members agreed that Federal, Provincial, UBCM and corporate (possibly BC Hydro) sponsorship be available for the conference. Fraser River Stewardship was suggested as a case study, as were the Cates Park Agreement and the development of an ice arena with a local band. It was suggested that case studies of areas outside of Lower Mainland would be less sensitive to discussion but would also be applicable to circumstances in the Lower Mainland, e.g., the Fraser Basin Concept. It was also a consideration that case studies not infringe upon issues involving topics under discussion at the Tables.

***Request of Staff***

*That the full LMTAC membership be polled for ideas concerning possible case studies for the Conference and that the consolidated list be presented to the Committee for further consideration.*

**It was MOVED (Gordon) and SECONDED (Drew)**

That the LMTAC Executive Committee:

- receive for information the presentation pertaining to Agenda Item 5.3; and
- support and encourage the Communications Subcommittee to continue its present direction concerning the LMTAC Conference for presentation to the full LMTAC Board.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5.4 Finance and Organizational Subcommittee**

No Finance and Organizational Subcommittee Standing Report was received at the meeting.

**5.5 Negotiation Tables**

No Negotiation Tables Standing Report was received at the meeting.

**6. OTHER BUSINESS**

**6.1 Local Governments and Urban Aboriginal Issues – Backgrounder to First Principle #32**

*Discussion Paper dated March 2001, by David Didluck, Executive Director, and Marino Piombini (GVRD), providing a preliminary exploration and discussion of the linkages between urban, off-Reserve Aboriginal peoples, their home communities, and neighbouring Local Governments.*

David Didluck, Executive Director, introduced the document and noted two key concerns:

- whether treaties will define a relationship with Urban, off-Reserve Aboriginals as well as with on-Reserve Aboriginals; and
- whether the two senior levels of government are aware of the municipality's costs associated with supporting Urban, off-Reserve Aboriginals.

In discussion members cited the "Courbier" decision that off-Reserve Band members must be given a vote on Reserve matters. Clarification was sought concerning how this would impact a post treaty environment and question was raised as to whether Aboriginals living off Reserve are funded by Reserve funds. Members were informed that funding for programs would be varied and that, although typically funded based on the number of people in a Band or on the Reserve, Bands would not be restricted to the use of funds on a per capita basis. It would also be conceivable that the converse of the subject may come up (non-Aboriginals living on treaty settlement lands).

**It was MOVED (Drew) and SECONDED (Gordon)**

That the LMTAC Executive Committee:

- receive for information the report pertaining to Agenda Item 6.1;
- direct that correspondence highlighting the specific concerns and questions raised in the report be sent to the LMTAC Board, federal and provincial government representatives, the UBCM and the GVRD.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7. **INFORMATION**

**It was MOVED (Hollington) and SECONDED (Lonsdale)**

THAT the LMTAC Executive Committee receive for information the following items:

- 7.1 Correspondence;
- 7.2 Agenda Deadlines 2001; and
- 7.3 Honorarium and Expense Form.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8. **CONCLUSION**

The Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive held March 28, 2001 concluded at 6:07 p.m.