

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

August 14, 2002

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Executive Committee** scheduled from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 14, 2002, in the 2nd Floor Café East Boardroom, GVRD Offices, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C.

ATTENDANCE:		
JURISDICTION:	LMTAC ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE:	ALTERNATE:
North Vancouver District	Mayor Don Bell (Chair)	
Greater Vancouver RD		Marino Piombini
Delta, Corporation of	Councillor Vicki Huntington	
Lions Bay, Village of	Councillor Peter Stevenson	
Squamish-Lillooet RD	Director Pam Tattersfield (via teleconference)	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Lee Turnbull	
LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:		
Kirstie Pirie	LMTAC Manager	
Joy Smith	Administrative Assistant	
PREPARATION OF MINUTES:		
Vivian Guthrie, Raincoast Ventures		

Call to Order

Chair Don Bell confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 2:24 p.m.

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 August 14, 2002

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee scheduled August 14, 2002, be adopted as amended to add Item 6.2, UBCM Memorandum of Understanding.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2.1 July 10, 2002

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive held July 10, 2002 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

July 4, 2002, Finance and Organizational Sub-Committee

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Finance and Organizational Sub-Committee held July 4, 2002 be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations at the meeting.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Workshop Discussion on Regional Governance and Governance in the Region

On-table documents dated August 2002

- a) *Draft Agenda, Workshop on Draft LMTAC Discussion Paper on Regional Governance and Governance in the Region,*
- b) *Draft Budget, Workshop on Draft LMTAC Discussion Paper on Regional Governance and Governance in the Region; and,*
- c) *Workshop Summary, Workshop on Draft LMTAC Discussion Paper on Regional Governance and Governance in the Region*

Councillor Stevenson, FOSC Vice Chair, presented the documents. In discussion of the Workshop Summary it was recommended to add a new bulleted item to the list of participants, "Senior Administration Staff and Regional Senior Policy Advisors with an interest in this issue".

In regard to the Draft Agenda, Councillor Stevenson called for suggestions of possible outcomes for the workshop. Recommendations included:

- an inventory of local interests
- identification of steps to be taken
- prioritization and recognition of key issues
- identification of issues which might need further investigation
- identification of issues and opportunities to resolve any potential difficulties (by senior managers)

In discussion members voiced concern that the GVRD had created a delegation to go directly to Minister Plant to discuss governance questions. It was noted that LMTAC was comprised of 23 municipalities and three regional districts and members agreed that a delegation through LMTAC would be preferable, or, at the very least, that the LMTAC Chair be included in the delegation.

Further, members were advised that GVRD Staff had reservations regarding the Workshop on Draft LMTAC Discussion Paper on Regional Governance and Governance in the Region.

Request for Action

It was requested that the Chair and Vice Chair of LMTAC meet with GVRD Chair of Aboriginal Affairs Committee and GVRD CAO and report back to the Executive.

Councillor Stevenson advised that the proposed October timeline was optimal given the potential overturn of LMTAC members due to the upcoming municipal elections.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT subject to confirmation of the involvement of GVRD Staff, the recommendation from Finance and Organizational Sub-Committee, August 8, 2002, be approved as follows:

"THAT

- (a) the Executive endorse the information in the attached documents; and,
- (b) LMTAC send a letter requesting the Treaty Negotiations Office to fund the workshop. "

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Members discussed the flexibility of the Draft Agenda and Kirstie Pirie, Manager, noted the opportunity for Regional Staff to present issues and perspectives from each LMTAC regional district and invited speakers from other regional districts in the Context Setting component of the workshop. It was also suggested that panelists could include those who were opposed to service agreements.

It was noted that Councillor Huntington would provide a summary of servicing issues and regional involvement to date regarding the TFN Treaty Negotiation Table. It was also noted that in correspondence (see Item 7.1), directions had been given to the provincial negotiating team by the Province to start exploratory discussions regarding areas of governance.

5. STANDING REPORTS

5.1 Chair

Chair Bell reported that concurrence has been reached to have the LMTAC Aboriginal Analyst attend the TFN Treaty Negotiation Table. He further discussed the opportunity to attend an upcoming FCM Aboriginal Affairs meeting in Gander.

5.2 LMTAC Staff

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, advised that meeting schedules for the upcoming UBCM had been e-mailed to LMTAC members.

5.3 Communications Sub-committee (CSC)

No Communications Sub-committee report was received at the meeting.

5.4 Finance and Organizational Sub-committee (FOSC)

No Finance and Organizational Sub-committee report was received at the meeting.

5.5 Negotiation Table Reports

a) Katzie

Document dated August 6, 2002, from Katzie First Nation, titled, "Katzie First Nation Work Plan: August 2002 – January 2003"

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, noted the Work Plan had been received and distributed to members.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 UBCM Update

Report dated July 25, 2002, from Alison McNeil, Aboriginal Affairs Office, titled "Aboriginal Affairs Update"

Chair Bell presented the document and provided an oral summary of the contents.

Councillor Huntington queried the slow information flow from UBCM and commented on concerns regarding the development of mandates (e.g., revenue sharing – the collection of GST and income tax by Aboriginals) without consultation of TACs. It was of further concern that many of the issues were critical to the urban context and that LMTAC should be involved in identifying local government priorities. It was suggested that more information was required regarding the expansion of the First Nations Land Management Act and mandates that were in process.

Councillor Stevenson noted that an agenda item at the UBCM convention titled, *The Future of The Treaty Process and Local Government Participation*, required participants to comment on structuring post-treaty relationships between local governments and First Nations. He concluded that discussions on governance issues were preeminent.

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to assess the attachments to the UBCM Aboriginal Affairs Update, titled "Document distributed to Province-Wide Treaty Advisory Group at July meeting" and distribute those that might be of interest to LMTAC executive members.

6.2 UBCM Memorandum of Understanding

Chair Bell advised that the UBCM had provided a schedule for the development of a new MOU on local government participation in treaty negotiations and noted that TACS would be consulted on the draft during the week of August 20, 2002. Final agreement on the MOU was scheduled to occur on September 23, 2002, after the UBCM Conference.

7. **INFORMATION**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT LMTAC Executive receive for information the following:

- 7.1 Treaty Negotiations Office Instructions to Negotiators, July 31/02
- 7.2 LMTAC Mission Statement, Roles and Project Screening Guidelines
- 7.3 Correspondence
- 7.4 Agenda Deadlines 2002
- 7.5 Honorarium and Expense Form

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. **CONCLUSION**

The Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive held August 14, 2002 concluded at 4:01 p.m.