

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

March 10, 2004

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Executive Committee** scheduled 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10, 2004, in the 2nd floor Café East Boardroom, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, BC.

ATTENDANCE:		
JURISDICTION:	LMTAC ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE:	LMTAC STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:
Greater Vancouver RD	Mayor Ralph Drew (Chair)	Marino Piombini
Maple Ridge, District of	Councillor Candace Gordon (Vice Chair)	
Bowen Island, Municipality of	Mayor Lisa Barrett	
Burnaby, City of	Councillor Lee Rankin (departed 5:05 p.m.)	Kimberly Flick
Richmond, City of	Councillor Harold Steves	
Squamish, District of	Councillor Corinne Lonsdale	
Squamish-Lillooet RD	Director John Turner	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Barry Janyk	
LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:		
Kirstie Pirie	LMTAC Manager	
Regan Schlecker	Aboriginal Affairs Analyst	
PREPARATION OF MINUTES:		
Carrie Peacock	Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures	

Call to Order

Chair Drew confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

1. AGENDA FOR ADOPTION

1.1 March 10, 2004

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee scheduled March 10, 2004, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

2.1 February 11, 2004

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive held February 11, 2004, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

4. LMTAC REPORTS

No items presented.

5:05 p.m.

Councillor Rankin departed the meeting.

5. TABLE PROGRESS REPORTS

5.1a) Katzie

Vice-Chair Gordon, LMTAC Representative to the Katzie Table, referenced Katzie's interest in the Fraser River Crossing project, and noted that their close proximity to the crossing had prompted their focus on compensation for the project's anticipated effects.

The meeting was informed that a lack of table resources and the ability of the Provincial Treaty Negotiations Office (TNO) to respond to the pace of the negotiations process had been identified as key issues at the Katzie Table. Vice-Chair Gordon acknowledged the current table negotiator's upcoming sabbatical, requiring the introduction of another new negotiator to the table.

The meeting was further informed that Commissioner Mike Harcourt, BC Treaty Commission (BCTC), attended during the second day of the recent table meeting, at which a recommitment to the process from all levels of government was requested.

Request for Action

Members requested that the LMTAC Chair send a letter to the BCTC:

- a) indicating LMTAC's support for recommitment to the process from all levels of government;*
- b) suggesting that if a recommitment ceremony were to be held in the Lower Mainland, that consideration be given to holding it in a currently active First Nation such Tsawwassen; and*
- c) acknowledging the leadership exemplified by the Tsawwassen First Nation.*

5.1b) Musqueam

No items presented.

5.1c) Squamish

No items presented.

5.1d) Tsawwassen

- a) Report titled "Context Summary – LMTAC Executive Public Agenda – March 10, 2004";*
- b) Summary Notes of the Inaugural Meeting of the Intergovernmental Relations Technical Working Group held February 25, 2004; and*
- c) Press Release from the Treaty Negotiations Office, titled "Tsawwassen Treaty One Step Closer to Reality" dated February 27, 2004.*

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, referenced the March 15, 2004 Tsawwassen Agreement-in-Principle (AIP) Ratification and Signing Ceremony, and encouraged members to attend.

Discussions of the February 25, 2004 Intergovernmental Relations Technical Working Group (IGRTWG) meeting were referenced, noting that the next IGRTWG meeting was scheduled for April 15, 2004.

5.1e) Tsleil-Waututh

No items presented.

5.1f) Other

No items presented.

6. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Finance and Administration Sub-committee (FOSC)

No items presented.

7. CHAIR AND STAFF REPORTS

7.1 Chair's Report

No items presented.

7.2 Staff Report

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, referenced a February 5, 2004 correspondence item received from John Cummins, Member of Parliament, Delta-South Richmond, relative to the effects of Bill C-57 *Westbank First Nation Self-Government Act* and an accompanying legal analysis in this regard.

8. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

8.1 UBCM

No items presented.

8.2 Federal of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

No items presented.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Associate Membership Between LMMA, LMTAC and FVTAC

a) *Memorandum from LMTAC Manager regarding "Associate Membership Between LMMA, LMTAC and FVATC" dated March 2, 2004; and*

b) *Correspondence from LMMA addressed to Chair, LMTAC regarding "Associate Membership Between LMMA, LMTAC and FVTAC" dated February 24, 2004.*

The meeting discussed similarities in the membership structure and interests of LMTAC and LMMA, and acknowledged that an official endorsement of the relationship between the organizations would not be necessary. Members suggested that "LMMA" be added to the "Miscellaneous Report" portion of future LMTAC agendas. The meeting also discussed benefits of information sharing between the organizations, LMTAC attendance at the LMMA Annual General Meeting, and local government staff involvement in LMMA issues.

9.2 Update from BCTC Conference Held March 4, 2004

Agenda for the BC Treaty Commission Conference titled "Venture Into a Treaty World: Open the Door to New Business Opportunities".

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, referenced the March 4, 2004 Conference Agenda and commented regarding the meeting's attendance and presentations, which addressed the economic benefits of treaties. Councillor Candace Gordon noted that several representatives from industry attended the conference.

10. INFORMATION

10.1 Correspondence

10.2 Honorarium and Expense Form

10.3 Meeting Dates 2004

The LMTAC Executive received the items included under Section 10 – Information.

11. CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee held March 10, 2004 be concluded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Time: 5:30 p.m.)