

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

September 10, 2008

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Executive Committee** scheduled 2:00 – 2:50 p.m. on Wednesday, September 10, 2008, in the 2nd Floor Café East Meeting Room, 4330 Kingsway Burnaby, B.C.

ATTENDANCE:		
JURISDICTION:	ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES TO LMTAC:	STAFF REPRESENTATIVES TO LMTAC:
Greater Vancouver RD	Mayor Ralph Drew (Chair)	Marino Piombini
Bowen Island, Municipality of	Councillor Lisa Barrett	
North Vancouver, District of	Councillor Alan Nixon	
Richmond, City of	Councillor Linda Barnes	
Squamish, District of	Councillor Corinne Lonsdale	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Barry Janyk (arrived 2:14 p.m.)	
West Vancouver, District of	Councillor Jean Ferguson	
White Rock, City of	Councillor Mary Wade Anderson	
LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:		
Regan Schlecker	Managing Director	
Mark Kirsop	Policy Analyst	
PREPARATION OF MINUTES:		
Carrie Peacock	Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.	

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Drew confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

1. AGENDA FOR ADOPTION

1.1 September 10, 2008

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee scheduled September 10, 2008 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

2.1 July 9, 2008 Executive Committee

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the In-Camera Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee held July 9, 2008 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DELEGATIONS

No delegations were received.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Summary of Results – Monthly Board Feedback Form

LMTAC Report regarding “Summary of Results – LMTAC Monthly Board Feedback Form, July 23, 2008”, dated July 29, 2008, and related attachment.

Mark Kirsop, Policy Analyst, referenced responses and information requests received from LMTAC members after the prior meeting. One of the requests received suggested LMTAC inquire regarding whether BC had an interest in proceeding with treaty negotiations on topics of provincial jurisdiction, without the involvement of Canada. It was suggested that concerns raised

regarding delays to the treaty process be identified as a topic for discussion during a follow up Board meeting with Ministry of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation representatives on the Common Table. It was noted that all other responses received had been acted upon by staff.

2:14 p.m.

Director Janyk arrived at the meeting

Chair Drew acknowledged the candid perspectives shared by Julian Paine, Assistant Deputy Minister, at the July 23, 2008 LMTAC Board meeting. A member questioned how a treaty could be negotiated without the federal government's involvement, and recognized the potential for unintended negative consequences.

The meeting was informed that the Minister of Community Development would likely attend LMTAC's meeting scheduled with the Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation. It was further noted that Mr. Paine had agreed to meet again with LMTAC, after further consideration and analysis regarding the Common Table.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the LMTAC Executive Committee receive for information the LMTAC report regarding "Summary of Results – LMTAC Monthly Board Feedback Form, July 23, 2008", dated July 29, 2008, and related attachment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. STANDING REPORTS

5.1 Negotiation Table Reports

5.1a) Katzie

No items were presented.

5.1b) Musqueam

No items were presented.

5.1c) Squamish

No items were presented.

5.1d) Tsawwassen

Document titled "TFN Community Plan Highlights, Tsawwassen First Nation, Preferred Option – For Community Review", dated June 2008.

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, explained that the Community Plan was required prior to effective date (anticipated spring 2009). She added that Tsawwassen prepared three land use proposals for consideration by the community, noting that the document provided reflected the community's preferred features of long term plans.

Marino Piombini, Metro Vancouver, clarified that contrary to the document's title, Tsawwassen was now referring to the document as their 'Land Use Plan'. He added that zoning, setbacks, and technical reports would need to be incorporated into their plan. Tsawwassen had been invited to provide a presentation regarding their plan, to the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Relations Committee.

5.1e) Tsleil-Waututh

Councillor Nixon, Table Representative to the Tsleil-Waututh Table, referenced Main Table Working Group meetings held August 8, 2008 and September 9-10, 2008.

Councillor Nixon referenced a presentation by the Archaeological Branch at an earlier Tsleil-Waututh meeting. He discussed potential benefits of addressing a number of provincial issues in the draft Agreement-in-Principle in advance, leaving only a few issues for consideration with the federal government's involvement.

Marino Piombini, Metro Vancouver, acknowledged that the representative from the Archaeological Branch had been invited to a future Metro Vancouver meeting and that consideration had been given to an MOU between Metro Vancouver and the Archeological Branch. It was suggested that quotes were being considered for an archaeological assessment of the region.

5.1f) Other - Hwlitsum

Mark Kirsop, Policy Analyst, reported that he'd made inquiries regarding the status of the Hwlitsum negotiations. Their first meeting proceeded as scheduled in early September 2008, after which a statement of intent map and list of negotiators would be available.

Chair Drew added that the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Relations Committee had designated Director Harold Steves, City of Richmond, to liaise with the Hwlitsum Band.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Finance and Administrative Sub-Committee (FASC)

Councillor Lonsdale acknowledged that the FASC was scheduled to meet October 3, 2008. She further reported that funding request letters had been sent out, based on the prior FASC meeting's discussion.

7. INFORMATION

7.1 Chair's Report

Chair Drew informed the Executive Committee that he would be away September 15-29, 2008.

7.2 Staff Report

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, confirmed that the September LMTAC Board meeting had been cancelled, in consideration of the September UBCM meeting. It was noted that the following annual LMTAC presentations had been scheduled: October 3, 2008 with the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Relations Committee; October 16, 2008 with the Metro Vancouver Finance Committee; October 23, 2008 with the Sunshine Coast Regional District; and October 27, 2008 with the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District.

8. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

8.1 Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Relations Committee

Marino Piombini, Metro Vancouver, referenced the September 5, 2008 Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Relations Committee meeting, and its consideration and support for the TFN's application for funding from the UBCM 2008 Building Governance Capacity program (for orientation sessions with Metro Vancouver, prior to entry into the regional district on Effective Date of treaty). The Metro Vancouver Board would consider the committee's recommendation in this regard, at its October 3, 2008 Meeting.

8.2 Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee (FVTAC)

No items presented.

8.3 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)

8.3a) 2008 Convention – First Nation and Treaty-Related Events

Notice of First Nation and Treaty-Related Events at UBCM Convention 2008.

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, referenced the list of events scheduled at the UBCM Convention, and particularly acknowledged the Monday afternoon study session. It was noted that Vice Chair Lonsdale would be attending the joint TAC Chairs' meeting on September 25 2008 on Chair Drew's behalf, and that the Managing Director may also attend.

8.3b) C2C Connect Newsletter Summer 2008

Bulletin titled "C2C – Community to Community Connect".

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, referenced an article in the bulletin announcing a joint management agreement signed by Snuneymuxw First Nation, the City of Nanaimo and the province, regarding Newcastle Island Marine Provincial Park. Another article in the bulletin regarding the relationship between Katzie and Maple Ridge, was also referenced.

Request for Action

It was requested that LMTAC staff obtain for review, a copy of the joint management agreement signed by Snuneymuxw First Nation, the City of Nanaimo and the province, regarding Newcastle Island Marine Provincial Park.

8.4 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

No items presented.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

The recent passing of the Grand Chief of the Semiahmoo First Nation was acknowledged.

10. INFORMATION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

The LMTAC Executive Committee receive for information the following items:

- 10.1 Correspondence;
- 10.2 Alternative Governance Model "Gitxsan Reconciliation";
- 10.3 BC Treaty Commission Update (July 2008); and
- 10.4 Honorarium and Expense Claim Form.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. NEXT MEETING DATE

Members were informed that the next Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee was scheduled October 8, 2008 (if required).

12. CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee held September 10, 2008 now conclude.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Time: 2:50 p.m.)