

**LOWER MAINLAND TREATY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION SUB-COMMITTEE (FASC) MEETING**

November 3, 2004

Minutes of the Finance and Administration Sub-Committee (FASC) meeting held at 10:18 a.m.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE		
Gordon, Candace	District of Maple Ridge	Councillor (FASC Chair)
Turner, John	Electoral Area D	Director (FASC Vice-Chair)
Lonsdale, Corinne	District of Squamish	Councillor
Rankin, Lee	City of Burnaby	Councillor
Drew, Ralph	GVRD	Director, LMTAC Chair/Ex-Officio, via teleconference call
STAFF		
Pirie, Kirstie	LMTAC	Manager
Schlecker, Regan	LMTAC	Aboriginal Affairs Analyst
Smith, Joy	LMTAC	Administrative Assistant & Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gordon confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 10:18 a.m.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted with the addition of Item 4.2 November draft letter to Minister Plant regarding the Pace of Tsawwassen Treaty Negotiations and Item 4.3 Statement of Expenses and Recoveries.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 October 6, 2004 - The minutes were adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. REPORTS

3.1 2004 Annual Member Survey Results

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, reviewed the results of the 2004 LMTAC Member Survey that was distributed at the September LMTAC Board meeting. Members were advised that the summarized results would be presented at the November 24, 2004 LMTAC Board meeting. There was general discussion regarding comments on public education, local government reporting and provincial/federal negotiators [timelines, perspective differences and fiduciary responsibilities to First Nations]. It was noted that a Strategic Planning Session would be beneficial and will be discussed in Item 3.2. It was also noted the discussion of communication between LMTAC and the GVRD Board which will be discussed in Item 4.1. LMTAC's contributions to the overall process was also noted in this discussion. The Aboriginal Affairs Analyst reviewed her comments regarding Context Summaries and related documents on policy work and objectives set out in the Workplan. Feedback from the Full Board was also discussed in relation to material supplied to Councils and Boards and how it is presented. It was suggested that we ask for support letters from municipalities.

Request of Staff: That the LMTAC Manager follow-up with the member who provided the "unsatisfactory" comment on the member survey in order to better understand their concerns.

RECOMMENDATION AND MOTION TO EXECUTIVE AND BOARD:

That the LMTAC Executive Committee receive for information the document titled "2004 LMTAC Member Survey Summary Results".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 2005 Workplan Draft

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, presented the LMTAC Workplan Draft and noted that more details would be built into Item 4, a specific project on implementing a new monthly board survey. A feedback form was suggested as a mechanism for input for next year. Item 5, Strategic Planning Process was also noted in conjunction with office staff support. There was general discussion on these items.

RECOMMENDATION AND MOTION TO EXECUTIVE AND BOARD:

That the LMTAC Executive endorse the FASC recommendation to adopt the LMTAC Workplan 2005 with the addition of Item 6 Finance, Organizational and Communication Section of the 2005 Workplan to review office staff requirements in the first quarter of 2005.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. OTHER BUSINESS

4.1 Discussion of Communication between LMTAC and GVRD Board

The Chair invited Mayor Drew to address this issue. Mayor Drew advised that the two main issues with GVRD are Treaty Settlement Lands and Fiscal Compensation and gave a brief update from the GVRD Corporate and Intergovernmental Committee meeting. There was general discussion on the necessity to improve communications between LMTAC and GVRD. Meetings with MLA's and MP's was also discussed. The differences between the Sunshine Coast Regional District, the Squamish Lillooet Regional District and the GVRD were also discussed.

11:45 Joy Smith departed.

4.2 November draft letter to Minister Plant regarding the Pace of Tsawwassen Treaty Negotiations
Members reviewed the draft letter and noted the importance of providing enough consultation time.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the draft letter be amended as per member comments and distributed to Executive Committee members for review and comment prior to being promptly distributed to Minister Plant.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.3 Statement of Expenses and Recoveries

The September 30 Actuals were received for information.

5. INFORMATION

There were no information items presented at this meeting.

6. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting concluded at 11:46 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2004 and will need to be re-scheduled.