

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

January 29, 2003

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Board** held at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 29, 2003, in the Activity Room at the Confederation Seniors Centre, 4585 Albert Street, Burnaby, B.C.

ATTENDANCE:		
JURISDICTION:	LMTAC ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE:	LMTAC STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:
North Vancouver, District of	Mayor Don Bell (Outgoing Chair and Incoming Vice Chair)	Steve Hardy
Greater Vancouver RD	Director Ralph Drew (Outgoing Vice Chair and Incoming Chair)	Marino Piombini
Anmore, Village of	Councillor Ken Juvik	
Belcarra, Village of	Councillor Colin Richardson	
Bowen Island, Municipality of	Mayor Lisa Barrett (arrived 6:35 p.m., departed 8:47 p.m.)	
Burnaby, City of	Councillor Lee Rankin	Kimberley Flick
Coquitlam, City of	Councillor Louella Hollington	Sonia Santarossa
Corporation of Delta	Councillor Robert Campbell	John Dumont
Langley, City of	Councillor Ted Schaffer	
Langley, Township of	Councillor Mel Kositsky	Frank Clark-Jones
Lions Bay, Village of	Councillor Lisa Turpin	
Maple Ridge, District of	Councillor Candace Gordon	
New Westminster, City of	Councillor Bob Osterman	
North Vancouver, City of	Councillor Craig Keating (departed 9:13 p.m.)	Ken Tollstam (departed 9:13 p.m.)
Pitt Meadows, District of	Councillor Janis Elkerton	
Port Coquitlam, City of	Councillor Mike Forrest	Tony Chong
Port Moody, City of	Councillor Karen Rockwell	Gerry vanderWolf
Richmond, City of	Councillor Harold Steves	
Squamish, District of	Councillor Corinne Lonsdale	
Squamish Lillooet RD	Director John Turner	Paul Edgington
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Barry Janyk	
Surrey, City of	Councillor Penny Priddy (arrived 7:03 p.m.)	Robert Costanzo
City of Vancouver	Councillor Ellen Woodsworth (departed 9:09 p.m.)	Rhys Williams (departed 9:09 p.m.)
City of White Rock	Councillor Mary-Wade Anderson	
LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:		
Kirstie Pirie, Manager		
Jeanne MacDonald, Administrative Assistant		
Regan Schlecker, Aboriginal Affairs Analyst		
GUESTS:		
Chief Kim Baird, Tsawwassen First Nation (arrived 7:30 p.m.)		
Steve Connor Row, Federal Treaty Negotiation Office		
Aaron Dinwoodie, Chair, UBCM Aboriginal Affairs Committee		
Katherine Gordon, Chief Negotiator, Provincial Treaty Negotiation Office		
Cory Herrera, Negotiator, Provincial Treaty Negotiation Office		
Robin Dodson, Chief Negotiator, Federal Treaty Negotiation Office		
Diane Gills, Federal Treaty Negotiation Office		

PREPARATION OF MEETING MINUTES:

Rae Ratslef, President, Raincoast Ventures

CALL TO ORDER

Outgoing Chair Bell confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

2003 ELECTIONS – ANNUAL ELECTION OF LMTAC REPRESENTATIVES

a) Welcome and Roundtable Introductions

- LMTAC document titled "Voting Members List";
- LMTAC document titled "New LMTAC Mission Statement, Roles and Project Screening Guidelines", endorsed August 29, 2001;
- LMTAC document titled "Operating Procedures".

Outgoing Chair Bell welcomed attendees to the meeting and led in a round table of introductions.

b) 2002 Year in Review

i) Report from Chair

Outgoing Chair Bell reported on LMTAC's activities during the previous three year membership term, including the development of LMTAC's First Principles and integrated Considerations Paper. As well, he commented on the positive relationship between LMTAC and the provincial treaty negotiation office team, and on the development of LMTAC's Mission Statement.

6:35 p.m.

Mayor Barrett arrived at the meeting.

ii) Report from Manager

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, commented on the success of the LMTAC orientation session, and welcomed new members to contact the office with their concerns or questions relating to the LMTAC workplan, agenda and/or meetings.

c) 2003 Workplan Looking Ahead

Document titled "Workplan 2003 – A Summary of Key LMTAC Milestones".

Outgoing Chair Bell reviewed the Workplan 2003 for members' information.

On behalf of the LMTAC members, Mayor Barrett expressed appreciation to Mayor Bell for his past efforts as LMTAC's Chair.

d) Elections – Annual Election of LMTAC Representatives

- LMTAC document titled "Election Procedures";
- Document titled "2002 LMTAC Elected Positions"; and
- Document titled "Information Sheet – LMTAC Executive and Sub Committee Meetings".

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, provided an overview of the documents presented in Agenda package. Correction to the information was provided to note that both the Katzie and Tsleil Waututh tables were at Stage 4 in the treaty process.

LMTAC Chair

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC Chair.

Director Ralph Drew was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Director Ralph Drew was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC Chair for a one year term.

LMTAC Vice Chair

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC Vice Chair.

Mayor Don Bell was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Mayor Don Bell was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC Vice Chair for a one year term.

Musqueam Table Representative

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC's Musqueam Table Representative.

Councillor Harold Steves was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Steves was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC's Musqueam Table Representative for a three year term.

Tsawwassen Table Representative

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC's Tsawwassen Table Representative.

Councillor Robert Campbell was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Campbell was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC's Tsawwassen Table Representative for a three year term.

Squamish Table Representative

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC's Squamish Table Representative.

Councillor Corinne Lonsdale was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Lonsdale was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC's Squamish Table Representative for a three year term.

Tsleil-Waututh Table Representative

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC's Tsleil-Waututh Table Representative.

Mayor Don Bell was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Mayor Bell was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC's Tsleil-Waututh Table Representative for a three year term.

Katzie Table Representative

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC's Katzie Table Representative.

Councillor Candace Gordon was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Gordon was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC's Katie Table Representative for a three year term.

LMTAC Executive Committee – Two At Large Members

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the two at large positions on the LMTAC Executive Committee.

Councillors Mike Forrest, Louella Hollington and Lee Rankin were nominated, and consented to the nominations.

As there were more candidates nominated than there were positions available, Ms. Pirie coordinated an election by secret ballot. Ms. Pirie announced that the result of the election was a majority of votes for Councillors Louella Hollington and Lee Rankin for the two at large positions on the LMTAC Executive Committee for a one year term.

7:03 p.m.

Councillor Penny Priddy arrived at the meeting

Regional District Representation on the Executive Committee

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, advised that the LMTAC Board's regional district representatives were automatically acclaimed to the Executive Committee for three year terms as follows:

- Director Ralph Drew, Greater Vancouver Regional District
- Director John Turner, Squamish-Lillooet Regional District
- Director Barry Janyk, Sunshine Coast Regional District.

Finance and Organizational Sub-committee (FOSC) Chair

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of Finance and Organizational Sub-committee Chair.

Councillor Candace Gordon was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Candace Gordon was acclaimed to the position of Finance and Organizational Sub-committee Chair for a one year term.

Finance and Organizational Sub-committee (FOSC) Vice Chair

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of Finance and Organizational Sub-committee Vice Chair.

Councillor Lee Rankin was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Lee Rankin was acclaimed to the position of Finance and Organizational Sub-committee Vice Chair for a one year term.

Finance and Organizational Sub-committee (FOSC) – Two At Large Members

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the two at large positions on the LMTAC Finance and Organizational Sub-committee.

Mayor Lisa Barrett and Councillor Louella Hollington were nominated, and consented to the nominations. Councillor Mike Forrest was also nominated but declined the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Mayor Lisa Barrett and Councillor Louella Hollington were acclaimed to the two large member positions on the LMTAC Finance and Organizational Sub-committee.

Communications Sub-committee (CSC) Chair

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC Communications Sub-committee Chair.

Councillor Louella Hollington was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Louella Hollington was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC Communications Sub-committee Chair for a one year term.

Communications Sub-committee (CSC) Vice Chair

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC Communications Sub-committee Vice Chair.

Councillor Lee Rankin was nominated, and consented to the nomination. Councillors Mary-Wade Anderson and Corinne Lonsdale were also nominated, and declined the nominations.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Lee Rankin was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC Communications Sub-committee Vice Chair for a one year term.

Communications Sub-committee (CSC) – Four At Large Members

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the four at large positions on the LMTAC Communications Sub-committee.

Councillors Mary-Wade Anderson, Corinne Lonsdale and Lee Rankin, were nominated, and consented to the nominations.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillors Mary-Wade Anderson, Corinne Lonsdale and Lee Rankin were acclaimed to three of the four at large member positions on the LMTAC Communications Sub-committee.

Members were informed that the remaining at large vacancy on the Communications Sub-committee could be filled at a later meeting by interested elected officials.

LMTAC Observer to Fraser Valley TAC

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC Observer to the Fraser Valley TAC.

Councillor Candace Gordon was nominated, and consented to the nomination.

Ms. Pirie called a second and third time for nominations. Given that no further nominations were received, the call for nominations was closed, and Councillor Candace Gordon was acclaimed to the position of LMTAC Observer to Fraser Valley TAC.

LMTAC Alternate Observer to Fraser Valley TAC

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for nominations for the position of LMTAC Alternate Observer to the Fraser Valley TAC.

Councillor Bob Oosterman was nominated to the position and declined the nomination.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Board defer the appointment of an alternate LMTAC Observer to the Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee to its next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DESTRUCTION OF BALLOTS

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the ballots from the 2003 LMTAC Elections process be destroyed and the ballot account sheets be retained for viewing in the LMTAC office until February 28, 2003.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Technical and Strategic Working Group (TSWG) Appointments – General Call to Staff

Kirstie Pirie, Manager and Chief Election Official, called for staff member volunteers to participate on LMTAC's Technical and Strategic Working Group. She noted that the first meeting was scheduled February 4, 2003.

The following individuals volunteered or were volunteered, and were acclaimed as members of the Technical and Strategic Working Group:

- Robert Costanzo, City of Surrey
- Steve Hardy, District of North Vancouver
- Marino Piombini, GVRD
- Ron Riach, District of Maple Ridge
- Sonia Santarossa, City of Coquitlam

7:33 p.m.

Chief Kim Baird, Tsawwassen First Nation, arrived at the meeting.

Change in Chair

Incoming Chair Ralph Drew assumed the Chair.

1. AGENDA FOR ADOPTION

1.1 January 29, 2003

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board scheduled January 29, 2003, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

2.1 November 27, 2002

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board held November 27, 2002, be adopted with amendment to page 1 of the Minutes to note Mayor Barrett as having been present.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES FOR INFORMATION

2.2 December 11, 2002 Executive

January 8, 2003 Executive

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the LMTAC Executive Committee regular meetings held December 11, 2002 and January 8, 2003 be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DELEGATION

3.1 Report from UBCM Aboriginal Affairs Committee

Memorandum from Alison McNeil, Senior Policy Analyst, UBCM, dated December 4, 2002, regarding "Aboriginal Affairs Update".

Aaron Dinwoodie, Chair, Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Aboriginal Affairs Committee, recognized the efforts of outgoing LMTAC Chair Don Bell and Councillor Corinne Lonsdale on LMTAC's behalf at the UBCM Aboriginal Affairs Committee and FCM

meetings, and offered introductory comments on the "fast-tracking" of treaty negotiations at six of BC's treaty tables.

Alison McNeil, UBCM Senior Policy Analyst, reported on the feedback received from UBCM members at a joint TAC and study session regarding the contents of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Province of BC. Members were advised that signed copies of the final MOU were available at the meeting.

Mr. Dinwoodie advised that the UBCM Aboriginal Affairs Committee was proceeding with the development of a policy digest, and with its relationship building efforts through community-to-community forums and its sponsorship of regional forums. He noted that protocol agreements with First Nations, and development of a best practices and dispute resolution guide, also continued to be a priority.

With regard to the recent correspondence from LMTAC to the UBCM concerning fisheries issues, Mr. Dinwoodie advised that a response would be forthcoming and would recommend that LMTAC consider a community forum in partnership with the Fraser Basin Council to further explore the issues identified.

In terms of emerging issues, Mr. Dinwoodie discussed a collaboration between the UBCM and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Department of Indians and Northern Affairs, the Chiefs' Lands Advisory Board and other interested parties, to identify local government interests that were affected by new legislation.

In response to questions, Mr. Dinwoodie commented concerning the reduction of \$366,000 in funding to treaty advisory committees as a result of the recently signed MOU with the province. He advised that, since the initial discussions, the province had become more appreciative of the importance of local government participation in the treaty process as was evidenced with its provision of \$10,000 of funding to the Nanaimo table.

A member commented on Bill C-49, noting its public and private consultation requirements for municipalities with respect to proposed changes to land uses. It was noted that LMTAC was seeking the Bill to require reciprocal consultation between local governments and First Nations. Mr. Dinwoodie responded that arriving at an agreement at the community level, between First Nations and local governments was seen to be a healthier approach than a mandated government approach. He also indicated that the UBCM was participating in work to develop best practices and protocols that could be referenced locally.

In response to questions regarding fisheries issues, Katherine Gordon, Chief Negotiator, Provincial Treaty Negotiation Office, clarified that there were at present five joint fishery offers on the table with the prospect of a harvesting agreement. She confirmed that the Tsawwassen table did include the prospect of a harvest agreement. In terms of the type of agreement that had been put forward by the previous government as referenced in the media, Ms. Gordon encouraged LMTAC to seek additional information from the government sources quoted.

In further comments, concerns were expressed that LMTAC had wasted its time in the development of a fisheries paper in the previous year given that proposals on fisheries had already been agreed to by the other parties. Former Chair Bell indicated that a letter had been sent to government outlining LMTAC's related concerns (provided in the Agenda package under Item 10.4).

Mr. Dinwoodie acknowledged that with the changes in the treaty process, and the speed at which tables were proceeding, there were some issues with local government's ability to respond. Suggestion was offered that LMTAC outline its related concerns to government in written form with clear recommendations, with a copy to the UBCM.

Ms. Gordon provided clarification that there were five joint offers at five treaty tables to negotiate fisheries issues, and that these had been public for two years. She noted that information on the offers had been sent to the UBCM and that press releases had also been sent out. Ms. Gordon clarified that there were no completed agreements.

Robin Dodson, Chief Negotiator, Federal Treaty Negotiation Office (FTNO), offered further clarification that when two governments made an offer to a First Nation it was not binding until accepted. He noted that the two governments had agreed to make the offers on commercial fishing opportunities at five tables, and that only one table resulted in the initialing of an agreement in principle that was later rejected by the First Nations' members.

3.2 Tsawwassen Treaty Table Update: Chief Negotiators' Presentation *Context summary titled "Tsawwassen" and attachments.*

Katherine Gordon, Chief Negotiator, Provincial Treaty Negotiation Office (PTNO), indicated that the three Chief Negotiators were present at the meeting given their agreement on the importance of having public discussions on the activities at the Tsawwassen First Nation (TFN) treaty table. She commented that the pace at the TFN table was proceeding in the fourth stage of negotiations, and acknowledged the benefit of the LMTAC representative's dedicated participation over the past years.

Ms. Gordon continued her comments regarding work at the TFN table towards the achievement of an Agreement in Principle (AIP). She noted that the Chief Negotiators had met in the fall of 2002 and had agreed to continue the movement towards a draft AIP by March 31, 2003. Ms. Gordon advised that a public main table had been held in December 2002 to share information on the table and that a public summary was provided in the Agenda package. As well, Ms. Gordon noted that, to date, there had been no agreement on several key issues at the TFN table, including fisheries, and agricultural land reserve designations.

Members were provided with an overview of the concept of an AIP. Ms. Gordon noted that an AIP was not legally binding, and clarified that an AIP was a commitment from the three parties to proceed to a final agreement and, as such, served as a platform for proceeding. She also noted that the issues of process would require development, including resolution of legal interests and identification of infrastructure needs prior to a final agreement.

Ms. Gordon also discussed transitional measures that would require resolution prior to the implementation of a final agreement at the TFN table. She indicated that a side table would likely be formed to discuss the intergovernmental transitional issues. Examples of similar side table arrangements established at other tables in the province were provided.

Chief Kim Baird, TFN, thanked LMTAC for the ability to attend the meeting. She confirmed Ms. Gordon's earlier comments regarding the Chief Negotiators' recognition of the need for open dialogue with all the parties interested in the TFN table. Chief Baird advised that the negotiations had been in process for nine years, and informed members that information on the TFN positions, including their long term objectives, were available on its website. She advised the socio-economic conditions on the TFN Reserve were appalling and that her goal as Chief was to improve those conditions. She noted that the TFN had only faced barriers in all of its economic efforts and that it had vested significant hope in the treaty and its offer of an opportunity for a prosperous future.

Robin Dodson, Chief Negotiator, Federal Treaty Negotiation Office (FTNO), confirmed Canada's commitment to work towards an AIP at the TFN table in the timeframe identified. He noted that the question would be whether the negotiators could arrive at a set of compromises that would make the AIP a reality, and commented that no one aspect of the treaty was stand alone. He suggested that the AIP would represent a network of provisions and interrelated agreements, and expressed confidence that the Chief Negotiators now

knew enough about the areas of agreement and disagreement to put them all on the table for discussion.

Mr. Dodson commented that the LMTAC's involvement in the treaty process through the province worked extremely well and that the province played an excellent role in advocating local government positions and educating the federal government in this regard.

Comments ensued during which a member indicated that the potential agreement on fisheries would lead to the demise of the resource because it would provide for more quantum than what exists in some years. He suggested that if the government had a strong interest in the future of the resource that there was a need to move away from multi-year agreements. The member questioned what the federal government intended for the other treaty tables along the river to protect against oversubscribing the resource.

Mr. Dodson indicated that the federal government strongly disagreed with the prognosis that the agreements would lead to the demise of the resource. He noted that the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans had provided related instructions that had been in place for three years based on every argument put forward in their consultations. Mr. Dodson advised that the FTNO would continue to advocate harvest agreements as a reasonable and practical way to resolve Aboriginal interest in this area, and that the FTNO did not accept the point of view that was represented in LMTAC's recent correspondence to the Minister.

In response to further comments, Mr. Dodson indicated that the FTNO did not propose to confiscate any fish, that the agreements for domestic allocations would be mitigated by voluntary license retirement, and that every fish would have to be purchased from a license holder on a willing seller-willing buyer basis.

He confirmed, however that FTNO would undertake full consultation with commercial fishers regarding any such requests and that his instructions constrain him from agreeing to any arrangement that would result in a priority over the general commercial fishery.

Mr. Dodson further advised that the design of harvest agreements was to provide a longer term tenure to the fishing agreements, and that, beyond that, did not see a difference between the commercial or harvest agreement fishery. He noted that the government would consider requests for changes in the management of the fishery by First Nations for reasons of cultural or local preferences – i.e. splitting licenses to smaller vessels than what the commercial fishery allows. In this regard, Mr. Dodson advised that industry would be consulted prior to the federal government implementing licencing conditions under harvest agreements that differed from licencing conditions for the commercial fishery.

8:47 p.m.

Mayor Barrett departed the meeting.

Chief Baird advised that the First Nations had historically rejected the transfer of commercial licenses to First Nations all along the Fraser River. She noted that it was a system that put First Nations fishers at a disadvantage due to changing circumstances, and advised that there were many reasons that the TFN did not support the transfer of commercial licenses.

Mr. Dodson offered further clarification that the harvest agreement would be part of the commercial fishery. He noted that the proposals made it clear that the First Nations harvest would proceed with the same priority as the commercial fishery of which they would be a part.

Ms. Gordon offered comments on the fundamental issues that needed to be addressed with respect to governance at the TFN table. She noted that it was envisioned that the draft AIP would include processes to resolve the ways in which TFN governance could be brought

into effect, i.e. political and financial accountability, democratic elections, clear jurisdictions in its relationships with other governments, with some authorities within the treaty, and some outside the treaty.

Chief Baird advised that TFN fundamentally believed in its inherent right to govern itself based on the fact that they have been here thousands of years under their own authority. She noted that this was an area that needed a lot of discussion which had thus far focused on the functions of the TFN government (which would be modern and democratic) rather than the source of authority.

Mr. Dodson advised that Canada had a policy since 1995 recognizing the inherent self-government rights of Aboriginal people based on a concurrent law making power with federal, provincial, and First Nations laws applying to treaty settlement lands. He noted that the federal government would be prepared to constitutionally protect an agreement of that kind, and would seek finality in the form of a release with respect to the issue of rights to self-government. Mr. Dodson suggested that some aspects could be constitutionally protected and some not, and that the latter authorities could evolve over time because a release wouldn't be sought for them.

With regard to participation in the Greater Vancouver Regional District, Chief Baird advised that there was contemplation of an intergovernmental working group and that this would be an appropriate forum to examine issues such as TFN representation on the GVRD, etc. She noted that the TFN had not spent significant time on the issue and would expect it to be a priority of post AIP discussions.

Ms. Gordon advised that once there was an AIP in place the table would know the lands that were being considered. She noted that, in her past discussions with the GVRD, the need for the GVRD to present information and its ideas for the participation of a new member in the regional district, had been raised.

9:09 p.m.

Councillor Woodsworth and Rhys Williams departed the meeting.

A member commented that the TFN's participation on the regional district would depend on the nature of its governance model, i.e. either self-governing or a corporate power model. In the latter instance the First Nation might wish to consider corporate membership in the GVRD, while if the former the relationship would be similar to a municipality in nature or on a contractual basis.

A member commented that the TFN's participation on the regional district would depend on the nature of its governance model, i.e. either self-governing or a corporate model. In the latter instance the First Nation might wish to consider membership in the GVRD, as it would be similar in nature to a municipality in nature. If self-governing, the relationship might be on a contractual basis. He queried the potential result if, having achieved "finality" the First Nation government didn't work.

9:13 p.m.

Councillor Keating and Ken Tollstam departed the meeting.

Members were informed that the next TFN main table meeting was scheduled on January 30, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the TFN Recreation Centre on the TFN Reserve and that a further TFN Main Table meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 27, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the TFN Recreation Centre on the TFN Reserve.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Draft Terms of Reference: Tsawwassen Intergovernmental Relations Side Table

Report from Kirstie Pirie, Manager, dated January 17, 2003 providing background for attached correspondence and draft terms of reference.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Board receive for information the report relating to Item 4.1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. TABLE PROGRESS REPORTS

Document titled "Treaty Negotiations Office – Break Through Table File Assignments".

Members were informed of an upcoming three day event involving the Katzie First Nation. It was noted that additional information was available from staff.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Board receive for information the report relating to Item 5.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Communications Sub-Committee (CSC)

No items presented.

6.2 Finance and Organizational Sub-Committee (FOSC)

No items presented.

7. CHAIR AND STAFF REPORTS

7.1 Chair's Report

No items presented.

7.2 Staff Report

Report from Kirstie Pirie, Manager, dated January 20, 2003, titled "Manager Report – November 18, 2002 to January 20, 2003 Activities".

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Board receive for information the report from the Manager relating to Item 5.2.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

8.1 Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee (FVTAC)

Document from FVTAC titled "Summary of Current Issues November 30th, 2002".

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Board receive for information the report from the Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee liaison relating to Item 5.6.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 UBCM

No items presented.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Second LMTAC "Shirt Sleeve Session" re Regional Governance

Members were informed that Draft 6 of the Regional Governance and Governance in the Region discussion paper would be presented at a "shirt sleeve" session in the next few months.

10. INFORMATION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Board receive for information the following:

- 10.1 Web Site Statistical Summary
- 10.2 Mission Statement, Roles and Project Screening Guidelines
- 10.3 Correspondence – LMTAC Governance Discussion Paper
- 10.4 Correspondence – Fisheries
- 10.5 Correspondence – Corporation of Delta
- 10.6 Correspondence – General
- 10.7 Schedule of Meetings for 2003
- 10.8 Honourarium and Expense Form
- 10.9 Media Clippings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board held January 29, 2003 be concluded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Time: 9:18 p.m.)