

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

**September 21, 2005**

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC)** scheduled 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2005 at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, in Room 103 – 6450 Deer Lake Avenue, Burnaby, B.C.

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>		
<b>JURISDICTION:</b>	<b>LMTAC ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE:</b>	<b>LMTAC STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:</b>
Greater Vancouver RD	Director Ralph Drew ( <b>Co-Chair</b> )	Marino Piombini
Maple Ridge, District of	Councillor Candace Gordon ( <b>Vice Chair</b> )	
Anmore, Village of	Councillor Ken Juvik	
Belcarra, Village of	Councillor Colin Richardson	
Bowen Island, Municipality of	Mayor Lisa Barrett	
Burnaby, City of		Kimberley Flick
Coquitlam, City of	Councillor Barrie Lynch	
Delta, Corporation of	Mayor Lois Jackson (arrived 5:43 p.m.)	
Langley, City of	Councillor Ted Schaffer	
Langley, Township of	Councillor Mel Kositsky	Frank Clark-Jones
Lions Bay, Village of	Councillor Lisa Turpin	
North Vancouver, City of	Councillor Bob Heywood	Ken Tollstom
North Vancouver, District of	Councillor Alan Nixon	Dennis Back
Pitt Meadows, District of	Councillor Debra Eisel	
Squamish, District of	Councillor Corinne Lonsdale	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Barry Janyk	
Surrey, City of	Councillor Penny Priddy	Robert Costanzo
Vancouver, City of	Ellen Woodsworth	
West Vancouver, District of	Councillor Jean Ferguson	Rick Beauchamp
White Rock, City of	Councillor Mary-Wade Anderson	
<b>LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:</b>		
Regan Schlecker, LMTAC Managing Director		
Mark Kirsop, Research and Communications Coordinator		
<b>PREPARATION OF MEETING MINUTES:</b>		
Karen Miller, Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.		

**Call to Order**

Chair Drew confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**1. AGENDA FOR ADOPTION**

**1.1 September 21, 2005**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board scheduled September 21, 2005, be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2. MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

**2.1 July 27, 2005**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board held July 27, 2005 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **MINUTES FOR INFORMATION**

2.2 **July 27, 2005 FASC**

2.3 **August 3, 2005 FASC**

2.4 **August 10, 2005 Executive**

### **It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of FASC held July 27, 2005 and August 3, 2005; and the Minutes of the LMTAC Executive Committee Meeting held August 10, 2005 be received for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Chair Drew advised that a meeting with Minister Christensen was scheduled for one hour on Friday, September 30, 2005 and that it would involve all of the LMTAC Executive.

## **3. DELEGATION**

No delegation was received.

## **4. LMTAC REPORTS**

### **4.1 Draft Background Briefing Note: Support for the Treaty Process**

*Report titled: Support for the BC Treaty Process Background Briefing Note dated August 24, 2005; and related attachment: Draft Background Briefing Note to Proposed New LMTAC First Principle C: Support for the BC Treaty Process.*

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, reviewed the report and background briefing note for the proposed new First Principal C. It was acknowledged that comments on First Principles were anticipated at the October 2005 Board meeting. She advised that the LMTAC Executive and TSWG had reviewed the Briefing Note; and main issues and concerns raised by members were reviewed.

It was recognized that local governments had not been consistently consulted on issues that were not treaty related; and that a number of non-treaty initiatives decrease the incentive for First Nations to enter into treaty negotiations. The new Memorandum of Understanding between UBCM and the Provincial Treaty Negotiation Office (TNO) included consideration that local governments would be involved in treaties and other agreements such as incremental agreements, Treaty Related Measures, etc. Information on Forest and Range Agreements and treaty related measures and how those differ from interim measures was provided. Input from members was encouraged on the statement of local government interests and concerns.

It was suggested that examples of agreements made outside of the treaty process be provided. Chair Drew advised that UBCM did provide a list to Treaty Advisory Committees on a confidential basis. Forest and Range Agreements were available on the provincial website and some agreements were in the public realm. Generic examples to demonstrate the nature and impact could be provided. Interim measures and agreements that were provided by UBCM could possibly be included for reference. Information could be circulated to Councils on a confidential basis.

### ***Request for Action***

*It was requested that LMTAC staff check with UBCM staff to determine the level of comfort with copies of interim measures and other agreements being circulated as examples.*

### **It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the LMTAC Board:

- a) receive for information the report titled "Support for the BC Treaty Process Background Briefing Note to the Proposed New LMTAC First Principle C"; and
- b) endorse the draft Briefing Note in-principle prior to pursuing subsequent comments.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



## 5. TABLE PROGRESS REPORTS

### 5.1a) Katzie

*Advertisement for Katzie First Nation Treaty Negotiations.*

Vice-Chair Gordon provided an update noting that Katzie hosted a presentation on governance the previous week which discussed the source of authority for law making. She noted that meetings had begun to be publicized again; and that a public consultation working group had been discontinued.

### 5.1b) Musqueam

No items were presented.

### 5.1c) Squamish

No items were presented.

### 5.1d) Tsawwassen

No items were presented.

### 5.1e) Tsleil-Waututh

No items were presented.

### 5.1f) Other

No items were presented.

## 6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 6.1 Finance and Administration Sub-Committee (FASC)

#### 6.1a) 2006 LMTAC Budget

- a) *Document titled: Report Flow Summary 2006 LMTAC Budget;*
- b) *Attachment A: Preliminary LMTAC Budget 2006 Assumptions;*
- c) *Attachment B: LMTAC 2006 Draft Budget (August 10, 2005);*
- d) *Attachment C: LMTAC Regional District Contribution (Draft August 10, 2005)*

Vice-Chair Gordon advised that the draft budget included a provincial government contribution of \$40,000. In response to a query relative to the non-eligible expenditures and honorarium, Chair Drew noted that it in fact referred to the stipend, although this was out of date terminology and advised that Operating Procedures 11.1 detailed it for review of members.

#### **It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the 2006 Budget as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### 6.1b) Revisions to Operating Procedures

*Document titled: Revisions to LMTAC Operations Procedures (2005 Workplan Item) dated August 19, 2005 and related attachment: LMTAC Operating Procedures (with tracked revisions).*

Vice-Chair Gordon noted that a review of Operating Procedures was completed; the office was restructured; lead staff was given a new title; and some discussion of the table-related reserve account and a policy was included. Additionally, it was noted that the issue of confidentiality was addressed over the past year and procedural clauses reminded members of the commitment to confidentiality and specifically talked about confidentiality being breached.

It was acknowledged that a proposal had been drafted for endorsement by the GVRD relative to honorariums for attendance at meetings of LMTAC which would be tied to the GVRD stipend.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the Finance and Administration Sub-Committee's recommended revisions to the Operating Procedures as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6.1c) Minutes/Recording Services (2005 Budget)**

*Report titled: Minutes/Recording Services (2005 Budget) dated August 25, 2005.*

Vice-Chair Gordon advised that more meetings than had been anticipated were scheduled and that funds available needed to be reallocated in order that GVRD had the formal authority to pay for services rendered.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the LMTAC Board:

- a) amend the 2005 Operating Budget to authorize a spending limit of \$14,500 for Minutes/Recording Services; and
- b) reallocate \$2,100 from the "Contract Services" budget to the "Recording Services" budget.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7. CHAIR & STAFF REPORTS**

**7.1 Chair's Report**

Chair Drew indicated that a meeting was scheduled at the UBCM with Minister Christensen on September 30, 2005, noting that correspondence had been forwarded to the Minister on subjects for discussion such as funding, land use harmonization, regional governance and services and the impact of non-treaty agreements.

**7.2 Staff Report**

- a) *Report titled: Managing Director Report: July 19 – September 12, 2005 Activities; and*
- b) *On-Table Draft Agenda: RAAC/LMTAC Workshop on First Nations and Regional Governance.*

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, outlined activities of the office from July to September 2005. She highlighted the on-table draft agenda for a Regional Administrators Advisory Committee (RAAC)/LMTAC workshop to be held on October 26<sup>th</sup> during the afternoon. RAAC indicated that any LMTAC member that would like to attend was encouraged to participate. Ms. Schlecker indicated that she would provide an orientation on the treaty process and Marino Piombini would also provide a presentation. The confirmed agenda would be sent to members prior to the event.

Ms. Schlecker thanked members for their submitted comments on the First Principles review noting that the comments would be brought forward to the October 2005 Board meeting.

**7:32 p.m.**

Councillor Lisa Turpin departed the meeting.

A 2005 LMTAC Member Survey was distributed and members were encouraged to complete the survey and hand it in after the meeting or forward it to staff the following day.

Chair Drew commented on a recent letter sent to member jurisdictions as an opportunity to provide feedback on communications from LMTAC to its member jurisdictions.

It was suggested that it would be helpful to have a list of activities that the office was involved in and how they related to the goals and advancing the LMTAC agenda; and further it would be useful to know what staff were doing that was not related to the mandate as an exception report. Ms. Schlecker advised that work plan updates and status updates were provided quarterly and would be presented in October 2005 as endorsement of the work plan for 2006 would be sought.

## **8. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS**

### **8.1 Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee (FVTAC)**

No items were presented.

### **8.2 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) - 2005 Convention Aboriginal and Treaty Related Meetings**

*Document titled: Aboriginal and Treaty-Related Events at UBCM Convention 2005.*

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, reminded members of the planned September 26, 2005 study session on new developments in treaty negotiations and relationship building.

### **8.3 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)**

*Invitation titled: Land Management in Local Communities: Opportunities and Challenges for First Nations – Municipal Government Relations: September 14, 2005.*

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, commented on the FCM Land Management Project Workshop hosted in partnership with the Indian Tax Advisory Board, Lands Advisory Board and National Aboriginal Land Management Association with support from INAC as an opportunity to discuss relationship building exercises and opportunities for partnerships. It was observed that many representatives province-wide had participated and that a summary of the workshops would be available in 2006 and available through the FCM website.

Additionally the meeting was informed that the FCM Board passed a motion appointing Aaron Dinwoodie as the liaison between the Standing Committee on Social Economic Development, the National Board of Directors and the Big City Mayors Working Group on Urban Aboriginal Opportunities.

## **9. OTHER BUSINESS**

The meeting was apprised of the UBCM presentation of a new publication "Community 2 Community Connect" co-published by the First Nations Summit and UBCM. The front page article was on a new agreement with Sechelt Indian Band and Sunshine Coast Regional District relative to the joint management and protection of a Community Watershed. A signing ceremony will take place on Saturday, October 1, 2005.

## **10. INFORMATION**

### **It was MOVED and SECONDED**

That LMTAC Board receive for information the following items:

- 10.1 Correspondence;
- 10.2 Website Statistical Summary;
- 10.3 Honorarium and Expense Form; and
- 10.4 2005 Meeting Schedule.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Kimberley Flick was acknowledged for her organizational work in hosting the LMTAC meeting.

## **11. CONCLUSION**

### **It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board held September 21, 2005 be concluded.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(Time: 7:44 p.m.)