

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

July 23, 2008

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Board** scheduled Wednesday, July 23, 2008 from 7:55 to 8:30 p.m. in the 2nd Floor Boardroom, Metro Vancouver Offices, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

ATTENDANCE:		
JURISDICTION:	ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES TO LMTAC:	STAFF REPRESENTATIVES TO LMTAC:
Metro Vancouver (RD)	Director Ralph Drew (Chair)	Marino Piombini
Belcarra, Village of	Councillor Colin Richardson	
Bowen Island, Municipality of	Councillor Lisa Barrett	
Burnaby, City of	Councillor Sav Dhaliwal	
Coquitlam, City of	Councillor Lou Sekora	
Langley, City of	Councillor Ted Shaffer	
Langley, Township of	Councillor Mel Kositsky	
Maple Ridge, District of	Councillor Craig Speirs	
Lions Bay	Councillor Lisa Turpin	
New Westminster, City of	Councillor Bob Osterman	
North Vancouver, City of	Councillor Sam Schechter	Ken Tollstam
North Vancouver, District of	Councillor Alan Nixon	
Pitt Meadows, City of	Councillor Debra Eisel	
Richmond, City of	Councillor Linda Barnes	
Squamish Lillooet RD	Director John Turner	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Lee Turnbull	
Surrey, City of		Rob Costanzo
Vancouver, City of		Barbara Pearce
West Vancouver, City of	Councillor Jean Ferguson	Rick Beauchamp
White Rock, City of	Councillor Mary-Wade Anderson	
LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:		
Regan Schlecker, Managing Director		
Mark Kirsop, Policy Analyst		
PREPARATION OF MEETING MINUTES:		
Carrie Peacock, Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.		

Chair Drew confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m.

1. AGENDA FOR ADOPTION

1.1 July 23, 2008

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board scheduled July 23, 2008, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. **MINUTES FOR ADOPTION / MINUTES FOR INFORMATION**

2.1 **May 21, 2008 Board**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board held May 21, 2008, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 **May 14, 2008 Executive Committee**

2.3 **May 2, 2008 Finance and Administration Sub-Committee**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the LMTAC Executive Committee meeting held May 14, 2008, and the Minutes of the LMTAC Finance and Administration Sub-Committee held May 2, 2008, be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **DELEGATION**

No delegation was received.

4. **REPORTS**

4.1 **Revised Draft Discussion Paper – Developing a Local Government Perspective on Cooperative Management Agreements with First Nations**

LMTAC report regarding “Summary of Comments Received on the Draft LMTAC Policy Paper – Developing a Local Government Perspective on Cooperative Management Agreements with First Nations”, dated July 10, 2008, and related attachments.

Mark Kirsop, Policy Analyst, reviewed revisions to the subject report and noted that some of the comments received from LMTAC members, related to the interest of local government to be involved in cooperative management discussions at the outset.

A member questioned whether cooperative management and related bilateral agreements where a true disincentive to treaty. It was suggested that consideration be given to pursuing cooperative management or other agreements as alternatives to the treaty process. Members added that the Cooperative Management Agreement may not be an everlasting process for supporting a relationship, but could be a first step towards future treaties.

Request of Staff

It was agreed that the report’s section titled “Economic Concerns” be reworded to read: “Cooperative Management Agreements that reallocate resources from current users in favour of First Nation interests may negatively impact resource dependant communities, raising economic concerns for local governments”.

It was noted that some communities were having co-management imposed on them without adequate consultation. As such, the bulleted item related to the trilateral process was essential.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the LMTAC Board:

- a) receive the report titled “Summary of Comments Received on the Draft LMTAC Policy Paper – Developing a Local Government Perspective on Cooperative Management Agreements with First Nations “ for information; and
- b) endorse the final draft discussion paper for (public) distribution to LMTAC member jurisdictions and affiliated government bodies for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Chair Drew reviewed the intent to bring forward the revised draft to UBCM and to post it on the website.

5. TABLE PROGRESS REPORTS

a) **Katzie**

Context Summary –LMTAC Board Public Agenda – July 23, 2008, Item 5.1a) Katzie, and related attachments.

Councillor Kositsky, Table Representative to the Katzie Treaty Table, referred to the Context Summary noting that the information provided. He added that the IGR workshops went well, and that there was agreement to work towards an MOU with Metro Vancouver staff, and to arrive at protocol arrangements related to the communication of strategies.

b) **Musqueam**

No items presented.

c) **Squamish**

No items presented.

d) **Tsawwassen**

Context Summary –LMTAC Board Public Agenda – July 23, 2008, Item 5.1d) Tsawwassen, and related attachments.

Chair Drew noted that the Tsawwassen agreement was ratified in parliament on June 27, 2008. He acknowledged further efforts leading up to their effective date.

e) **Tsleil-Waututh**

No items presented.

f) **Other**

No items presented.

6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

6.1A) **Draft 2009 Budget**

Related documents:

- *"Discussion Points – Draft LMTAC 2009 Budget";*
- *LMTAC Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget for the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008;*
- *LMTAC Budget Details for the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008*

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT further to the FASC recommendation of July 4, 2008, the LMTAC Board endorse:

- a) the following revised 2009 Budget assumptions:
 - i) increase the regional district funding request from 2008 by 5%;
 - ii) eliminate honoraria payments for annual orientation session attendance; and
 - iii) increase labour costs based on the preceding FASC update provided;
- b) the Draft 2009 Budget, as presented, as the basis for preliminary regional district funding requests.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. CHAIR AND STAFF REPORTS

7.1 **Chair's Report**

Chair Drew reported that typically, meetings had been sought with the Minister while at the UBCM Convention. He added that the LMTAC Managing Director was working to schedule meetings with both the Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliations and newly appointed Minister of Community Development either before or after Convention. The Chair added that correspondence would also be drafted to both Ministers to provide final copies of the discussion

paper "Developing a Local Government Perspective on Cooperative Management Agreements with First Nations".

7.2 Staff Report

Managing Director's Report dated July 16, 2008 regarding "May 15, 2008 – July 16, 2008".

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, referred the meeting to her report, and reminded members to submit their expense claims by August 2008.

8. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

8.1 Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Relations Committee

Metro Vancouver notification regarding "Item Released from Closed Meeting", and "Invitation to Tsawwassen First Nation as an Observer on the GVRD Board".

Marino Piombini noted that the July 10, 2008 Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Relations Committee Meeting resulted in a report on treaty negotiations, which would be forwarded to the Metro Vancouver Board on July 25, 2008. The next meeting of the Aboriginal Relations Committee was scheduled September 5, 2008.

8.2 Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee (FVTAC)

Councillor Mel Kositsky acknowledged the upcoming In-SHUCK-ch Days, to which electoral areas in the SLRD had contributed.

8.3 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)

Chair Drew noted that the reviewed MOU between the UBCM and the province would be signed at the September 2008 UBCM Convention.

8.4 Federation of Municipalities (FCM)

Councilor Kositsky reported that he had been reappointed to the Social Economic Development Committee.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Summary of Results – Monthly Board Feedback Form (May 21, 2008)

Mark Kirsop, Policy Analyst, acknowledged four information requests submitted to staff following the last LMTAC Board meeting, which had all since been followed up on.

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, reviewed the open invitation extended to Tsawwassen First Nation Chief Baird to attend LMTAC Board Meetings, noting that efforts would be made to schedule her delegation for the next Board meeting on October 22, 2008.

10. INFORMATION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

The LMTAC Board received for information the following items:

- 10.1 Correspondence
- 10.2 New Relationship Social Initiatives Projects – Second Quarter Update (June 30, 2008)
- 10.3 New Relationship Lands and Resources Projects – Second Quarter Update (June 30, 2008)
- 10.4 Aboriginal Law Bulletin – Sinclair Centre Case (Fasken Martineau)
- 10.5 Web Stats
- 10.6 2008 Meeting Schedule
- 10.7 Honorarium and Expense / Feedback Form

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Nixon noted that he was pleased with the court of appeals case related to Musqueam and Canada Public Works. Members were reminded that the next regular LMTAC Board Meeting was scheduled October 22, 2008.

11. **CONCLUSION**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board held July 23, 2008 be concluded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Time: 8:34 p.m.)