

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

**April 22, 2009**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Board** scheduled Wednesday, April 22, 2009 from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Boardroom, Metro Vancouver Offices, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>		
<b>JURISDICTION:</b>	<b>ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES TO LMTAC:</b>	<b>STAFF REPRESENTATIVES TO LMTAC:</b>
Metro Vancouver (RD)	Director Ralph Drew ( <b>Chair</b> )	Marino Piombini
Squamish, District of	Councillor Corinne Lonsdale ( <b>Vice Chair</b> )	
Anmore, Village of	Councillor John McEwen	
Belcarra, Village of	Councillor Colin Richardson	Linda Floyd
Bowen Island, Municipality of	Councillor Peter Frinton	
Burnaby, City of	Councillor Dan Johnston	David Clutton
Coquitlam, City of	Councillor Brent Asmundson	
Delta, Corporation of	Councillor Anne Peterson	
Langley, City of	Councillor Jack Arnold	
Langley, Township of	Councillor Mel Kositsky	
Lions Bay, City of	Mayor Brenda Broughton	
Maple Ridge, District of	Councillor Craig Speirs	
North Vancouver, City of	Councillor Bob Fearnley	
North Vancouver, District of	Councillor Mike Little	Gavin Joyce
Pitt Meadows, City of	Councillor Doug Bing	
Squamish Lillooet, RD	Director Jordan Sturdy	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Lee Turnbull	
Surrey, City of	Councillor Barbara Steele	
Vancouver, City of	Councillor Ellen Woodsworth	Tilo Driessen
West Vancouver, City of	Councillor Michael Evison	
<b>ALSO PRESENT:</b>		
Mayor James Atebe, Chair, Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee		
<b>LMTAC STAFF:</b>		
Regan Schlecker, Managing Director		
Mark Kirsop, Policy Analyst		
<b>PREPARATION OF MEETING MINUTES:</b>		
Vivian Guthrie, Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.		

Chair Drew confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:21 p.m.

**1. AGENDA FOR ADOPTION**

**1.1 April 22, 2009**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board scheduled April 22, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

**2.1 March 25, 2009 Board**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board held March 25, 2009, be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2.2 Executive Committee, March 11, 2009**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Minutes of the LMTAC Executive Committee meeting held March 11, 2009 be received for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2.3 Finance & Administration Sub-Committee, February 4, 2009**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Minutes of the LMTAC Finance and Administration Sub-Committee held February 4, 2009, be received for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. DELEGATION**

No delegation was received.

**4. REPORTS**

**4.1 2009 Workplan Status Report**

*Related Documents: LMTAC 2009 Workplan Status Report dated April 9, 2009 with Workplan 2009, A Summary of Key LMTAC Milestones showing status of activities.*

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, advised that a review of the Workplan indicated LMTAC activities were 79% complete or ongoing, with five activities pending. Of note was Activity 7 and ongoing communications with the Province to clarify consultation areas and implications for local government.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

That the LMTAC Board receive the LMTAC 2009 Workplan Status Report dated April 9, 2009 for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Relative to Standing Activity 4, Ms. Schlecker announced that staff was registered for the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) Annual Meeting to be held in Harrison May 6-8, 2009.

**REQUEST FOR ACTION**

*Municipalities and regional districts were requested to contact staff regarding possible prize draw donations for the LMTAC booth at the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) Annual Meeting.*

**5. TABLE PROGRESS REPORTS**

**a) Katzie**

No items presented.

**b) Musqueam**

No items presented.

**c) Squamish**

No items presented.

**d) Tsawwassen**

*Related documents:*

- News release dated April 3, 2009 re: *First Urban Treaty in B.C. History Takes Effect Today.*
- News release dated April 3, 2009 re: *Tsawwassen Self-Government Provisions Take Effect.*

e) **Tsleil-Waututh**  
No items presented.

f) **Other**  
No items presented.

## 6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Vice-Chair Lonsdale, FASC Chair, reported that the April 8, 2009 FASC Meeting reviewed budget items and discussed recommendations to be considered at the next meeting of the LMTAC Executive.

## 7. CHAIR AND STAFF REPORTS

### 7.1 Chair's Report

Chair Drew advised that he was interviewed earlier in the day by CTV in regard to the proposed *Recognition and Reconciliation Act*. His comments related that the primary focus was on land and resource sharing and that whatever issues diverted money from provincial treasury would mean less money for other programs.

Chair Drew commented on the implementation ceremony on April 3, 2009 in Tsawwassen with Premier Campbell, Minister de Jong, Federal Minister Chuck Strahl, Senators, and other elected officials present. Further Metro Vancouver interviews would include the treaty and implementation of the Tsawwassen First Nation joining the Metro Vancouver Board.

Together with Councillor Kositsky, Chair Drew was providing briefings on progress at the Katzie table to local governments including Maple Ridge, City of Langley, Pitt Meadows, and meetings focused on the Tsleil-Waututh table were scheduled with both the City and District of North Vancouver. He indicated that they were available to do similar presentations for other member jurisdictions.

### 7.2 Staff Report

*Report from Regan Schlecker, Managing Director dated April 15, 2009 regarding "Activities from March 19, 2009 – April 15, 2009".*

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

That the LMTAC Board receive the Managing Director Report dated April 9, 2009 for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 8. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

### 8.1 Metro Vancouver Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Chair Drew provided an update regarding the committee meeting held April 9, 2009, noting that Directors were appointed as liaisons to the following five Lower Mainland First Nations: Squamish, Musqueam, Tsleil-Waututh, Kiwkwetlem, Katzie.

## 8.2 Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee (FVTAC)

Mayor James Atebe, Chair, Fraser Valley Treaty Advisory Committee (FVTAC), reported that the next FVTAC meeting was scheduled April 28, 2009. Several First Nation bands were close to having draft agreements finalized and there were some protests in regard to the 20 Mile Bay territory at the head of Harrison Lake. FVTAC had recommended that the First Nations provide a strategic economic development plan for the area.

Chair Atebe extended an invitation from the FVTAC Board and In-SHUCK-ch Nation to members of LMTAC Board to attend the next FVTAC meeting on April 28<sup>th</sup>..

## 8.3 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)

*Related Documents:*

- *Executive Release, Highlights of the UBCM Executive Meeting held March 12 – 13, 2009; and*
- *UBCM Joint Treaty Advisory Committee Chairs and Administrators Meeting Draft Agenda, April 16, 2009.*

Vice-Chair Lonsdale, Chair, UBCM First Nations Relations Committee, reported regarding the Joint TAC Committee Chairs and Administrators Meeting held April 16, 2009. The following was noted:

- Regarding the draft UBCM Common table Discussion Paper, TAC groups have until April 23, 2009 to comment.
- At the encouragement of the BC Treaty Commission (BCTC), UBCM will write the Minister to request to review and comment on the confidential BCTC Common Table report.
- The Director, Third Party Engagement, Strategic Initiatives, Ministry of Aboriginal Relations & Reconciliation, spoke in regard to the implementation of the MOU on Local Government Participation in the New Relationship and made it clear that the issues regarding consultations should be limited to land uses and resources. He did mention quarterly basis agreements are sent out to local governments however a number of Treaty Advisory Committee chairs were not aware of lists and UBCM was to review its internal communications on this matter.
- UBCM would establish a working group to facilitate the implementation of the MOU and there was a suggestion that it would be appropriate to engage regional Integrated Land Management Bureau offices in this regard.
- Grand Chief Doug Kelly presented a First Nation perspective on the proposed *Recognition and Reconciliation Act* legislation; he reiterated that communities should embrace First Nations, keep looking at the big picture, talk about the 'big picture stuff' and invite First Nations to come and talk to the communities.
- the proposed *Recognition and Reconciliation Act* would mean no more court action to prove First Nations exist and their history, traditions, culture, and etc. would be acknowledged and opportunities for sharing would be realized.
- UBCM was proceeding with a legal opinion on the proposed *Act*.

Vice-Chair Lonsdale recommended that Grand Chief Kelly be invited to present to LMTAC.

In discussion, it was noted that staff has taken it under advisement in regard to inviting a guest speaker. One member expressed concern that communication regarding the *New Relationship* listing of social initiatives, lands and resources, etc. was not being received during the elections.

## 8.4 Federation of Municipalities (FCM)

Councilor Kositsky discussed accommodation arrangements in Whistler for the scheduled FCM annual meeting in June 2009. The meeting was advised there had been no correspondence regarding aboriginal treaties.

## 9. OTHER BUSINESS

**9.1 Summary of Results – Monthly Board Feedback Form (March 25, 2009)**

No update was required.

**10. INFORMATION**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

The LMTAC Board received for information the following items:

- 10.1 Correspondence;
- 10.2 Website Statistical Summary;
- 10.3 2009 Meeting Schedule; and
- 10.4 Honorarium and Expense / Feedback Form.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**11. CONCLUSION**

The Board was informed that the next meeting was scheduled May 27, 2009.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

That the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Board held March 26, 2008 be concluded.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(Time: 7:55 p.m.)