

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

March 13, 2002

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Executive Committee** scheduled 3:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2002, in the 2nd floor Café East Boardroom, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, BC.

ATTENDANCE:		
JURISDICTION:	LMTAC ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE:	LMTAC STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:
North Vancouver, District of	Mayor Don Bell (Chair)	
Greater Vancouver RD	Mayor Ralph Drew (Vice Chair) (departed 3:52 p.m.)	Marino Piombini
Coquitlam, City of	Councillor Louella Hollington	
Delta, Corporation of	Councillor Vicki Huntington	
Maple Ridge, District of	Councillor Candace Gordon	
Richmond, City of	Councillor Harold Steves	
Squamish, District of	Mayor Corinne Lonsdale (via teleconference)	
Squamish-Lillooet RD	Director Pam Tattersfield (via teleconference)	
LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:		
Kirstie Pirie	LMTAC Manager	
Regan Schlecker	Aboriginal Affairs Analyst	
Rae Ratslef	Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures	

Call to Order

Chair Bell confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

1. AGENDA FOR ADOPTION

1.1 March 13, 2002

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee scheduled March 13, 2002, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

2.1 February 13, 2002

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee held February 13, 2002 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 MINUTES FOR INFORMATION

CSC February 6, 2002

FOSC February 1, 2002

FOSC February 28, 2002

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the LMTAC Executive Committee receive for information the Minutes of the Communications Sub-committee meeting held February 6, 2002, and the Minutes of the Finance and Organizational Sub-committee meetings held February 1 and 28, 2002.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations at the meeting.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Staff Benefits

- a) Document titled "Rates for Pacific Blue Cross Individual Plans"; and
- b) Email dated January 14, 2002 from Barb Downman regarding "GVRD Staff Benefits".

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Executive recommend that the LMTAC Board offer its employees Blue Cross individual health and dental coverage under the "First Choice Plan" with the option for an upgrade to any other plan at the employee's expense, and consider such plans as part of future employee compensation packages.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. STANDING REPORTS

5.1 Chair

Chair Bell and Mayor Lonsdale reported on a recent UBCM Aboriginal Affairs Committee meeting with Ministers Plant and Abbott at which issues of concern relating to the role of Treaty Advisory Committees (TACs), the potential loss of input from the collective municipal perspective, and the need for a new UBCM protocol, were discussed. Members were informed that the issue of TAC funding was on the meeting agenda but was not considered.

3:52 p.m.

Vice Chair Drew departed the meeting.

Members were informed that the minutes of the recent Federation of Canadian Municipalities meeting were available for their reference.

5.2 LMTAC Staff – Workplan Status Report

Document titled "Workplan 2002 – A Status Report on Key LMTAC Milestones – March 2002".

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, led members in a brief review of the Workplan, advised that a LMTAC update bulletin had been sent out earlier in the week, and requested members to complete and return the previously distributed feedback forms relative to LMTAC staffing.

5.3 Communications Sub-committee (CSC)

No Communications Sub-committee report was provided at the meeting.

5.4 Finance and Organizational Sub-committee (FOSC)

No Finance and Organizational Sub-committee report was provided at the meeting.

5.5 Negotiation Table Reports

Councillor Gordon, LMTAC representative to the Katzie Table, reported on table activities concerning Katzie's discussions with the University of British Columbia to host Tom Blom's course relating to intergovernmental relations between First Nations and Local Government. As well, Councillor Gordon noted that the economic development treaty related measure was being considered at the table.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Technical Servicing Agreement Workshop

Document titled "LMTAC Technical Workshop on Servicing Agreements – February 21, 2002 – Summary of Results".

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Executive:

- a) receive for information the document titled "LMTAC Technical Workshop on Servicing Agreements – February 21, 2002 – Summary of Results"; and
- b) direct that the document be forwarded to the Board for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Action

Staff was requested to distribute copies of the report on the Pemberton area Community to Community Forum to members for information.

6.2 Legislative Assembly of British Columbia Notice of Motion

On-table 2002 Legislative Session: 3rd Session, 37th Parliament document titled "Nos. 24 and 25 – Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia – Notice of Motions – Wednesday, March 13", suggesting referendum questions.

Chair Bell led members in a review of the on-table document and advised of concerns regarding the absence of question three in the referendum relative to local government's participation in the treaty process. The expectation that the new UBCM protocol would guarantee Local Government's inclusion in the treaty process, and the need for this to be communicated to the Minister, was noted.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Executive recommend that the Board, in light of the March 13, 2002 announcement of the provincial government's intention to move ahead with eight referendum questions, authorize the Chair to communicate to the Minister LMTAC's recognition that referendum question three had been removed but that the Minister's commitment to the involvement of Local Government in the treaty process was understood.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Executive recommend that a letter be sent to Aaron Dinwoodie, UBCM Aboriginal Affairs Committee Chair, requesting that the UBCM play a coordinating role in a meeting of the Treaty Advisory Committees along the Fraser River to discuss the fisheries issue.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. INFORMATION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Executive Committee receive for information the following:

- 7.1 LMTAC Mission Statement, Roles and Project Screening Guidelines
- 7.2 Correspondence – General
- 7.3 Agenda Deadlines 2002
- 7.4 Honorarium and Expense Form
- 7.5 Media Clippings
- 7.6 Tsawwassen First Nation Media Release: Legal Action re. Roberts Bank; and
- 7.7 On-table UBCM Member Release dated March 7, 2002 titled "Aboriginal Update: Minister Plant Commits to New Agreement with UBCM".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 GVRD Request for a Fee Simple Lands Map

Kirstie Pirie, Manager, reported on the GVRD Aboriginal Affairs Committee's last meeting at which the Committee requested the preparation a map illustrating fee simple lands that had been acquired by the various First nations in LMTAC's area of negotiating responsibility.

Request for Action

Staff was requested to prepare the referenced map.

8.2 Harbour Centre Series Lecture

Councillor Huntington commented on the upcoming Harbour Centre Series presentation by SFU Professor John Richards, and recommended staff's attendance at the presentation if at all possible.

8.3 May 8, 2002 Executive Meeting

Members were informed that the May 8, 2002 Executive Meeting was scheduled to occur the first day of the LMMA. It was agreed that the possibility of rescheduling the meeting be considered closer to the meeting date.

9. CONCLUSION

The Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive held March 13, 2002 concluded at 4:20 p.m.