

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

**April 12, 2006**

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Executive Committee** scheduled 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12, 2006, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Café East Meeting Room, 4330 Kingsway Burnaby, B.C.

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>		
<b>JURISDICTION:</b>	<b>LMTAC ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE:</b>	<b>LMTAC STAFF REPRESENTATIVE:</b>
Greater Vancouver RD	Mayor Ralph Drew ( <b>Chair</b> )	
Squamish, District of	Councillor Corinne Lonsdale ( <b>Vice Chair</b> )	
Bowen Island, Municipality of	Councillor Lisa Barrett (departed 4:40 p.m.)	
Langley, Township of	Councillor Mel Kositsky	
North Vancouver, District of	Councillor Alan Nixon (departed 4:40 p.m.)	
Richmond, City of	Councillor Harold Steves	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Barry Janyk (departed 4:32 p.m.)	
Squamish/Lillooet RD	Director John Turner	
White Rock, City of	Councillor Mary Wade Anderson	
<b>LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:</b>		
Regan Schlecker	Managing Director	
Mark Kirsop	Research and Communications Coordinator	
<b>PREPARATION OF MINUTES:</b>		
Carrie Peacock	Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.	

**Call to Order**

Chair Drew confirmed a quorum was in attendance and called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

**1. AGENDA FOR ADOPTION**

**1.1 April 12, 2006**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee scheduled April 12, 2006, be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2. MINUTES FOR ADOPTION/INFORMATION**

**2.1 March 8, 2006 Executive Committee**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee held March 8, 2006 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. DELEGATION**

No delegations were received.

**4. REPORTS**

**4.1 Summary of Results – Monthly Board Feedback Form**

*LMTAC report regarding “Summary of Results – LMTAC Monthly Board Feedback Form, March 2006”, dated March 30, 2006.*

Mark Kirsop, Research and Communications Coordinator, acknowledged that the feedback form had been developed in consultation with FASC. He added that feedback forms received at the

previous LMTAC Board meeting indicated that LMTAC meetings functioned well, and that members had responded positively to provincial updates by the delegations. Some questions raised on the feedback forms were also reviewed.

It was suggested that staff recognize and review questions raised on the feedback forms at the subsequent LMTAC Board meeting, and that responses to the questions be provided at the next LMTAC Board meeting, or as soon as possible if an item requires additional consideration.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the LMTAC Executive Committee:

- a) receive for information the report regarding "Summary of Results – LMTAC Monthly Board Feedback Form, March 2006" and the attached summary of comments received; and
- b) direct staff to respond to the questions to the best of their ability.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4.2 2006 Workplan Status Report**

*LMTAC report regarding "2006 Workplan Status Report", dated April 3, 2006.*

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, referred the meeting to the "Workplan 2006", and discussed the status of some items included therein. She noted that LMTAC would be delivering a presentation in conjunction with the FVTAC, at the LMMA's 2006 Annual Meeting.

The meeting suggested that consideration be given to rescheduling the May 10, 2006 Executive Committee Meeting to May 17, 2006 to accommodate the LMMA 2006 Annual Meeting. It was noted that LMTAC staff would continue to keep the LMTAC Chair and Vice Chair informed when any workplan items needed to be postponed.

**4:32 p.m.**

Director Janyk departed the meeting.

**4.3 Questions Related to the Yale AIP**

*LMTAC report regarding "Questions Related to the Yale Agreement-In-Principle", dated April 4, 2006.*

The meeting acknowledged that misinformation and a lack of advance information regarding the positive aspects of the Yale AIP, transformed what was intended as a celebration into a 'damage control' situation. It was further noted that the province's lack of a communications policy contributed to the public misinformation. The need to consider an appropriate mechanism for informing the Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation regarding the need for a communications policy to prevent public misinformation, was acknowledged.

**5. STANDING REPORTS**

**5.1a) Katzie**

No items were presented.

**5.1b) Musqueam**

No items were presented.

**5.1c) Squamish**

No items were presented.

**5.1d) Tsawwassen**

*On-table excerpt from Delta Municipal Council's February 27, 2006 Regular Meeting Minutes, relative to "Tsawwassen First Nation Treaty".*

No other items were presented.

**5.1e) Tsleil-Waututh**

No items were presented.

**5.1f) Other: Snuneymuxw**

No items were presented.

**6. OTHER BUSINESS**

**6.1 Finance & Administrative Sub-Committee (FASC)**

***Request for Action***

*Members requested that a letter be sent to the Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation extending appreciation and reiterating the importance of the recent financial contribution to LMTAC's budget.*

**4:40 p.m.**

Councillor Lisa Barrett departed the meeting.

Councillor Lonsdale, Chair, Finance and Administrative Sub-Committee, acknowledged that in light of the province's recent \$40,000 contribution to LMTAC's budget, FASC's previously proposed amended budget would not require implementation but that FASC would consider all future opportunities to reduce expenditures.

**7. INFORMATION**

**7.1 Chair's Report**

- a) *Agenda for the "Lower Mainland Roundtable on First Nations / Local Government Relations Meeting", held April 4, 2006; and*
- b) *On-table GVRD Staff Notes of the Meeting of the Steering Committee for the Lower Mainland Round Table on First Nations - Local Government Relations, held on April 4, 2006 at the BC Treaty Commission Offices.*

Chair Drew noted that the April 4, 2006 Lower Mainland Round Table on First Nations held at the BC Treaty Commission office was attended by representatives from the Squamish, Tsawwassen and Katzie First Nations, along with representation from LMTAC and staff representation from the GVRD. It was also noted that provincial and federal government representatives attended as observers. He added that the meeting received comments regarding First Nations' interests in discussing GVRD's provision of utilities and services, First Nations accessibility to water, and other issues.

Members acknowledged the importance of ensuring local government was kept informed of LMTAC's activities, noting that some local government leaders may be unaware of LMTAC's First Principles.

Potential precedent-setting implications of the Agricultural Land Commission granting the removal of agricultural lands from the agricultural land reserve (ALR) were discussed, particularly relative to servicing requirements. Additionally, the damaging impacts of a blanket removal of lands from the ALR, without the requirement for a community plan, were recognized.

**4:50 p.m.**

Councillor Nixon departed the meeting.

**7.2 Staff Report**

Regan Schlecker, Managing Director, announced that future LMTAC Executive Committee Agendas would include in the Miscellaneous Reports section, a "GVRD Aboriginal Relations Committee" sub-section, which would include updates provided by the GVRD staff representative.

**8. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS**

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

No items were presented.

**8.2 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)**

No items were presented.

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

No items were presented.

**9. OTHER BUSINESS**

The meeting was informed that a First Nations Film Festival would be held April 21-23, 2006 at the University College of the Fraser Valley, Chilliwack Campus.

**10. INFORMATION**

The LMTAC Executive Committee received for information the following item:

10.1 Correspondence

**11. NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee was scheduled April 26, 2006.

**12. CONCLUSION**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Regular Meeting of the LMTAC Executive Committee held April 12, 2006 be concluded.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(Time: 4:55 p.m.)