

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

June 28, 2000

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the **Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Board** held at 7:32 p.m. Wednesday, June 28, 2000, in the 2nd Floor Board Room, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, BC.

ATTENDANCE:		
JURISDICTION:	LMTAC REPRESENTATIVE:	ALTERNATE:
District of North Vancouver	Mayor Don Bell (Chair)	Cameron Thom
Village of Anmore	Mayor Hal Weinberg	
Village of Belcarra	Councillor Jamie Ross	
Municipality of Bowen Island	Mayor Lisa Barrett	
City of Coquitlam	Councillor Louella Hollington	
Corporation of Delta Greater Vancouver RD		Claudia Choroszewski Marino Piombini
City of Langley	Councillor Terry Smith	
Township of Langley	Councillor Mel Kositsky	
Village of Lions Bay	Councillor Peter Stevenson	
District of Maple Ridge	Councillor Candace Gordon	Ron Riach
City of New Westminster	Councillor Bob Osterman	
City of North Vancouver	Mayor Barbara Sharp	Ken Tollstam
City of Port Coquitlam	Councillor Michael Wright	
City of Port Moody	Councillor Meghan Lahti	
City of Richmond	Mayor Greg Halsey-Brandt (departed 8:30 p.m.)	
District of Squamish	Mayor Corinne Lonsdale (departed 9:00 p.m.)	
Squamish-Lillooet RD	Director Pam Tattersfield	
Sunshine Coast RD	Director Bruce Milne	
City of Surrey	Councillor Jeanne Eddington	Rob Costanzo
City of Vancouver	Councillor Sam Sullivan	
City of White Rock	Councillor James Coleridge	
OBSERVERS:		
Tamara Little, Fraser Valley Regional District		
LMTAC STAFF ATTENDANCE:		
David Didluck	Executive Director	
Kirstie Pirie	Coordinator	
Carrie Peacock	Recording Secretary, Raincoast Ventures	
GUESTS:		
Katherine Gordon, BC Team South		
Gerry Thorne, Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs		
Juanita Berkhout, BC Team South		

1. Approval of Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of LMTAC scheduled June 28, 2000, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 Minutes of the Full LMTAC Meeting May 24, 2000

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of LMTAC held May 24, 2000, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Key Issues for Discussion

3.1 Interest Identification – Review and Recommendations on Additional or Amended LMTAC First Principles

Document labeled “Consultation Draft”, titled “Suggested Additions or Amendments to the LMTAC First Principles”.

David Didluck, Executive Director, referred to comments received regarding the additional or amended LMTAC First Principles. Correspondence to the City of North Vancouver in response to comments submitted regarding LMTAC’s First Principles was discussed.

Main Motion

It was MOVED (Coleridge) and SECONDED (Weinberg)

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the first of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles as follows:

“Local governments strongly support the need for certain and final definitions of Aboriginal Rights. Treaties should provide a final and exhaustive listing of powers that First Nations governments may exercise.”

Primary Amendment to the Main Motion

It was MOVED (Hollington) and SECONDED (Weinberg)

THAT the Principle in the main motion be amended to read as follows:

“Local governments strongly support the need for certain and final definitions of Treaty Rights. Treaties should provide a clear and exhaustive definition of powers that First Nations governments may exercise.”

CARRIED

Question was then called on the main motion as amended and it was

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the LMTAC Board include the first of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles, as amended, in the LMTAC First Principles document.

DEFEATED

Main Motion

It was MOVED (Weinberg) and SECONDED (Halsey-Brandt)

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the second of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles as follows:

“The Governments of British Columbia and Canada should support the expeditious amendment of the Constitution of Canada to provide, protect and prescribe the powers of local government.”

Referral of Main Motion

It was MOVED (Lonsdale) and SECONDED (Kositsky)

THAT the LMTAC Board refer this item to the LMTAC Executive Committee to consider as a preamble statement of an underlying philosophy, rather than a First Principle.

CARRIED

It was MOVED (Eddington) and SECONDED (Lahti)

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the third of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles as follows:

“Treaty settlement lands within municipalities and regional districts should be taxed at comparable levels.”

DEFEATED

Main Motion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the fourth of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles as follows:

“Locally, nationally and globally significant wildlife habitats in the Lower Mainland area must be recognized.”

Amendment to the Main Motion

It was MOVED (Gordon) and SECONDED (Weinberg)

THAT the Principle in the main motion be amended to read as follows:

“Locally, nationally and globally significant wildlife habitats in the Lower Mainland area must be recognized and protected.”

CARRIED

(Mayor Corrine Lonsdale voting in the negative.)

Question was then called on the main motion as amended and it was

CARRIED

It was MOVED (Halsey-Brandt) and SECONDED (Weinberg)

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the fifth of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles to amend First Principle #25 to read as follows:

“Standards and regulations (including enforcement procedures) that apply to treaty settlement lands should meet or exceed established standards set by Federal, Provincial and Local Governments for issues including, but not limited to, environmental protection, public health, labour, safety, fire protection, building codes, noise and licensing.”

CARRIED

It was MOVED (Sharp) and SECONDED (Stevenson)

THAT the LMTAC Board not endorse the sixth of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles as follows:

“The rights of all fishers engaged in commercial or recreational fishing should be protected.”

DEFEATED

It was noted that fisheries is a critical part of treaty negotiations, and is referred to separately as one of the rights identified in the treaty negotiations process. Federal jurisdiction over fisheries issues was discussed.

It was MOVED (Hollington) and SECONDED (Coleridge)

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the following alternative to the sixth of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles:

“The protection of fish stocks is a primary concern and that the rights and responsibilities of all fishers engaged in native, commercial or recreational fishing be given due consideration.”

CARRIED

It was MOVED (Lonsdale) and SECONDED (Gordon)

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the seventh of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles as follows:

"No one local government should be disproportionately burdened as a result of treaty negotiations."

CARRIED

8:30 p.m.

Mayor Greg Halsey-Brandt departed the meeting.

It was MOVED (Hollington) and SECONDED (Lahti)

THAT the LMTAC Board endorse the eighth of eight suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles as follows:

"A specific deadline should be established for the filing of all Aboriginal claims under the BC Treaty Process."

DEFEATED

It was MOVED (Hollington) and SECONDED (Gordon)

THAT the LMTAC Board refer consideration of the eighth suggested additional or amended LMTAC First Principles to the LMTAC Executive Committee, and possible subsequent referral to the BC Treaty Commission.

CARRIED

It was MOVED (Ross) and SECONDED (Gordon)

THAT the LMTAC Board direct staff to incorporate the endorsed additional or amended LMTAC First Principles into the original LMTAC First Principles and into the integrated version of the LMTAC Considerations Interest Paper.

CARRIED

The meeting discussed the appropriate process for further review of the revised LMTAC First Principles and Considerations Interest Paper. It was noted that in integrating these documents, some first principles may contradict the intent of the Interests paper. Benefits of distributing one integrated LMTAC document were reviewed. The meeting discussed the process for future reconsideration of any of the First Principles.

Main Motion

It was MOVED (Lonsdale) and SECONDED (Coleridge)

THAT the LMTAC Board request staff to present the LMTAC First Principles including the endorsed additions, and the LMTAC Considerations Interest Paper, at the next LMTAC Board meeting to determine whether to blend the documents or keep them separate.

9:00 p.m.

Mayor Corinne Lonsdale departed the meeting.

Amendment to the Main Motion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the main motion be amended to read:

"THAT the LMTAC Board request staff to present the integrated LMTAC document, which will include the LMTAC First Principles including the endorsed additions, and the LMTAC Considerations Interest Paper, at the next LMTAC Board meeting".

CARRIED

Question on the Main Motion:

Question was then called on the main motion as amended and it was

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the LMTAC Board defer the remaining Agenda Items to a future LMTAC Board Meeting.

CARRIED

4. Adjournment

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the LMTAC Board June 28, 2000 Regular Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

(Time 9:20 p.m.)