

## **2011 April Local Trust Committee Report**

The North Pender Local Trust Committee (LTC) met March 31<sup>st</sup> at the Community Hall for its regular monthly business meeting. Chair Peter Luckham called the meeting to order at 10 AM with Local Trustees Gary Steeves and Derek Masselink in attendance.

### **Agenda & Minutes**

Following the approval of the agenda, the minutes of the February 24<sup>th</sup> 2011 LTC Business Meeting and the February 26<sup>th</sup> 2011 Special LTC Meeting were approved. The notes of the February 26<sup>th</sup> Community Information Meeting and the record of the February 26<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing were received. All these minutes are available on the North Pender web page at the Islands Trust website ([www.islandstrust.bc.ca](http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca)).

### **Follow-up Actions**

A Follow-up Action Report was reviewed showing that all decisions and actions approved at the February 24<sup>th</sup> LTC meeting had been acted upon and completed.

### **Correspondence**

Four pieces of correspondence were received by the Local Trust Committee. The first was a letter from the Chamber of Commerce concerning Short Term Vacation Rentals. The LTC resolved to reply to the letter and the response can be found on the North Pender webpage at the Islands Trust website.

The second was a letter from the Pender Island Women's Institute expressing concern about the behind the scenes negotiations of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) by the Federal Government. Islands Trust staff were directed to draft a response. The matter was referred to the Executive Committee who have placed it on the June Trust Council agenda.

The third letter was from Sara Steil concerning tourist accommodations. Staff were directed to respond to the issues raised.

The fourth correspondence was from Pender Community Transition (PCT). The correspondence included the year-end report of PCT activity and a request for assistance for the next year. The LTC decided to wait on the funding request until the LTC's 2011/2012 budget has been confirmed.

### **Applications**

Two items were on the agenda under this item. The Trust Fund Board forwarded the newly approved Regional Conservation Plan (RCP) to all 12 Local Trust Committees in the Trust Area asking that LTC's review the Plan and incorporate the recommendations of the Plan in their Official Community Plans. Trustees will use the RCP as a resource

document in their decision-making processes and it was noted that the North Pender OCP was not inconsistent with the Plan.

The remaining issue was an application for a Temporary Use Permit on Port Washington Road. The permit application proposed the storage and processing of soils and aggregates. The new TUP would replace a previous TUP allowing a garbage transfer station on the property. The garbage transfer operation is being moved to industrial property next to the Recycling Centre. Discussion on the details of the application went on for over an hour and a half and the LTC eventually made ten amendments to the proposed permit. Included in the amendments were permission to store and handle, not process, soils on site; limitations to the storage of recreational vehicles; and enhanced screening requirements around the property.

### **LTC Projects**

The LTC gave further consideration to proposed By-law 184 (Riparian and Aquatic Area Development Permit Areas). The proposed by-law was given third reading and referred to the Executive Committee and the Minister of Community Sport and Cultural Development for further consideration.

Proposed By-law 183 (amendments to the Associated Islands OCP) was given final adoption.

### **Routine Reports**

The **Work Program** for the LTC was reviewed and amended. The only item on the Top Priority list is a review of Sidney Island OCP/LUB issues. The 'Top Priority List' typically has not more than 3 items on it and represents the items planning staff will work on given the number of planning hours allocated to a LTC. This amendment means that the only LTC Project to work on is the Associated Islands OCP & LUB.

The Application Report and the Expense & Budget Report were reviewed and the North Pender LTC webpage was updated.

### **Other Business**

A further call was made for expressions of interest from anyone interested in serving on the Advisory Planning Commission.

A Report entitled "Exploring Food Security in the Islands Trust Area" was received and is available on the Islands Trust website.

A Town Hall session was held and a brief closed session was held to approve In-Camera minutes and discuss a matter of litigation.

### **Next Meeting**

LTC meetings are normally scheduled for the last Thursday of each month with some exceptions so please double check. Future meetings currently scheduled are April 28<sup>th</sup>, May 26<sup>th</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>. All meetings are at the Community Hall, start at 9:45 AM and are open to the public.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM

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