



Gambier Island Local Trust Committee Minutes of Regular Meeting

Date: July 26, 2018
Location: Keats Camp – Pilot House
 Keats Camp, Keats Island, BC

Members Present: Susan Morrison, Chair (by telephone 10:45 – 11:10 a.m.)
 Kate-Louise Stamford, Local Trustee, Acting Chair
 Dan Rogers, Local Trustee

Staff Present: Sonja Zupanec, Island Planner
 Diane Corbett, Recorder

Also Present: Members of the Public – 1

1. CALL TO ORDER

“Please note, the order of agenda items may be modified during the meeting. Times are provided for convenience only and are subject to change.”

Acting Chair Stamford called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

She acknowledged that one member of the public was present, Kim Benson, former Local Trustee and former Chair of Islands Trust Council.

Alternate Chair Stamford remarked that the meeting was being held in the territory of the Squamish/Skwxwú7mesh Nation.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following additions to the agenda were presented for consideration:

- 7.2 Discussion of meeting with SCR D and Squamish Nation regarding New Brighton dock
- 14.6 Regional Conservation Plan Briefing from the Trust Conservancy
- 14.7 Invitation to Sustainability Forum

By general consent the agenda was approved as amended.

3. TOWN HALL AND QUESTIONS

Kim Benson, Keats Island, invited trustees to visit her camp at break time if they wished.

4. COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETING – None

5. PUBLIC HEARING – None

6. MINUTES

6.1 Local Trust Committee Meeting dated June 28, 2018

By general consent the Local Trust Committee meeting minutes of June 28, 2018 were adopted.

6.2 Section 26 Resolutions-Without-Meeting Report dated July 18, 2018

Received.

6.3 Advisory Planning Commission Minutes – None**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES****7.1 Follow-up Action List dated July 18, 2018**

Received.

7.2 Discussion of meeting with SCRD and Squamish Nation regarding New Brighton dock

Chair Morrison reported on her follow-up inquiry at the Executive Committee regarding a discussion at the June LTC meeting on convening a joint meeting with the Squamish Nation and the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) on long term planning for the New Brighton dock.

Discussion ensued.

Trustee Stamford reported that the Squamish Nation had not come out definitely with a statement of divestment; until that happens, she hoped for conversation between the Squamish Nation and SCRD as to future direction regarding the dock, and wanted to help coordinate this possibility.

As no funds would be requested, trustees agreed that a motion on this would not be necessary, and Trustee Stamford's involvement with this would be under the trustee advocacy role.

(In light of difficulty experienced in establishing a constant telephone connection, Trustee Morrison departed the meeting around 11:10 a.m.)

8. DELEGATIONS – None**9. REPORTS****9.1 Chair's Report – None****9.2 Trustee Reports**

Trustee Rogers announced he had sent out a report at the end of June, which was posted to the website. His report on activities included:

- Attendance at fortieth anniversary of Sea Ranch;
- Attendance at forum on services delivery in the southern Gulf Islands, as part of Trust Programs Committee;
- Bears have been observed on Keats Island;
- Will propose a motion to Trust Programs Committee in August to find some interim funding to help the Howe Sound Community Forum operate; and
- Missed the Eastbourne Community Association meeting; SCRD Director, Ian Winn attended.

Trustee Rogers noted that summer brings many challenges to the islands, including boats and noise. A new one is drones. Some people are really angry with those who place drones hovering over homes.

Trustee Stamford reported that she had been focused on safety concerns. The trustee had organized a safety meeting on Gambier for islanders in general. Over the last three months there had been three serious accidents. Global TV had gotten involved and

interviewed Trustee Stamford. There are efforts to find a more coordinated way to respond to safety issues.

Trustee Stamford reported on her participation in the following:

- Sea Ranch fortieth anniversary event; and
- Development of a communiqué to Gambier Islanders regarding temporary overnight accommodation (which has taken off on the island); includes some public education regarding regulations on short-term accommodation.

Trustee Stamford requested clarification from the Island Planner on the status of the Sea Ranch subdivision application. Noting a reference to the application in agenda item 13.2 Application Log, the Island Planner explained that they have to submit a survey to trigger the referral to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

Trustee Stamford reported there are twenty-two one-acre lots on West Bay Road that are currently for sale. There are questions about how this would affect parking, access to ferry, traffic and other impacts on infrastructure.

9.3 Electoral Area Director's Report – None

9.4 Trust Conservancy Report

Trustee Stamford provided an update on the Trust Conservancy Report:

- Met recently for the first time officially as Islands Trust Conservancy.
- Looking for a new individual to replace a departing Board member.
- Executive Director is taking a position with BC Parks for eight months; thus Kate Emmings will take a temporary position as Executive Director.
- Joint meeting with the Executive Committee where a variety of issues and other provincial tasks were discussed.
- There is a desire for more communication to come out regarding the new name “Islands Trust Conservancy”; this might take a bit of time because of staffing issues.

10. CORRESPONDENCE – None

(Correspondence received concerning current applications or projects is posted to the LTC webpage)

11. APPLICATIONS AND REFERRALS – None

12. LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE PROJECTS – None

13. REPORTS

13.1 Work Program Reports

13.1.1 Top Priorities Report dated July 18, 2018

Received.

13.1.2 Projects List Report dated July 18, 2018

Received.

It was noted that a Gambier Island Advisory Planning Commission meeting was scheduled for August 9; Planner 2 Koch would be working with them.

Trustee Rogers announced he would have a proposal for a new project under item 14.5.

13.2 Applications Report dated July 18, 2018

Received.

13.3 Trustee and Local Expense Report – None**13.4 Adopted Policies and Standing Resolutions**

Received.

13.5 Local Trust Committee Webpage**13.6 First Nations Activities**

Following up on his comments at the previous meeting on his desire for meaningful interaction with First Nations at Trust Council on Keats in September, Trustee Rogers reported he had spoken to the Islands Trust Chief Administrative Officer on this topic. Trustee Rogers had advised Trustee Stamford about the conversation that emphasized the need to act on this now and that it was not a Local Trust Committee function unless requested by Trust Council. Trustee Rogers had observed recently that no arrangements had been made; contact had been made by email. He acknowledged there is a new leadership group within the Squamish First Nation, and also that Islands Trust staff was very stretched at this time.

Trustee Stamford noted that the Squamish Nation were hoping to bring elders to Trust Council; there may be other opportunities to have someone come and talk about history.

14. NEW BUSINESS**14.1 Sunshine Coast Regional District Referral Regarding Twin Creeks Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 711**

Staff reviewed a recommended referral response to the SCRD Twin Creeks Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 711. Discussion ensued.

GM-2018-061**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee request staff to prepare a referral response to the Sunshine Coast Regional District Board to support the approval of Bylaw No. 711, 2018 (Twin Creeks Official Community Plan), and include a copy of the Islands Trust staff report dated July 26, 2018 and the following comments:

- a) The Sunshine Coast Regional District is asked to consider amending the following sections of the January 11, 2018 draft Twin Creeks Official Community Plan:
 - i. Part 1, Section 3 'Twin Creeks Community The Plan Area' – add to the end of the third paragraph: "The marine portion of the plan area falls within the Gambier Island Local Trust Area of the Islands Trust."; and
 - ii. Part 3, Section 18 'Industrial Marine Policies' – amend 7. f) by adding the words "and the Islands Trust" after the word "authorities".
- b) Pursuant to Islands Trust Policy Manual 5.9ii ([Planning, Regulation and Advocacy Initiatives: Outer Boundary of Islands Trust Area](#)) the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee has reviewed the proposed Bylaw and, subject to the proposed amendments in paragraph a), deems Bylaw No. 711, 2018 to be consistent with the [Islands Trust object and policy statement](#).

CARRIED

Trustee Stamford observed that the OCP was "not within our interests" in terms of its industrial focus.

14.2 Housing Needs Assessment**GM-2018-062****It was MOVED and SECONDED**

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee receive the "Housing Needs Assessment, Northern Region of Islands Trust" report prepared by Dillon Consulting dated June 21, 2018; and

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee request Staff to publish the "Housing Needs Assessment, Northern Region of Islands Trust" report prepared by Dillon Consulting dated June 21, 2018 on the Islands Trust Gambier Resources web page.

CARRIED**14.3 Passage Island Access**

Discussion ensued on the issue of access to Passage Island. A letter of support from the LTC had been provided three months earlier, and no one from Passage Island had requested assistance from the LTC. Trustees concurred that no further action would be taken regarding this issue.

14.4 Service Integration Barriers

Trustee Rogers announced that at Trust Programs Committee in June, the CAO reported that when he reached out in April or May asking for input from LTCs regarding frustrations they were having in their region, he got a poor response, except from our Regional District. A motion was passed for the CAO to reach out again to access this information. Trustees considered whether they needed to reply again, or refer back to the emails they sent in April/May. Trustees Stamford and Rogers planned to follow up on this.

14.5 North Thormanby – Greenshores Workshop

Trustee Rogers and Island Planner Zupanec discussed their observations regarding the Greenshores workshop held recently on North Thormanby Island.

It was noted that the two year partnership commitment made with Bowen Island was now done, and that it worked reasonably well. Trustee Rogers suggested adding discussion on the October agenda as to whether to do this again. He spoke of the vulnerability of the North Thormanby foreshore.

GM-2018-063**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee add to the Projects List, a pilot foreshore protection project for the Thormanby Islands.

CARRIED

14.6 Regional Conservation Plan Briefing from the Trust Conservancy

There was discussion of the Regional Conservation Plan Briefing from the Trust Conservancy dated July 17, 2018 regarding incorporating the Regional Conservation Plan into land use planning.

14.7 Invitation to the Sustainability Forum

Trustee Rogers reported that he and Trustee Stamford had been invited to the Sustainable Development Goals Forum, to be held on September 28, arranged by the BC Council for International Cooperation and the Howe Sound Biosphere Region Initiative. The Forum would address social, economic and environmental aspects of sustainable development. Trustee Rogers had sent a copy for information to Clare Frater, Director of Trust Area Services, who asked that the trustee arrange an invitation for Peter Luckham, which Trustee Rogers announced he would do.

15. UPCOMING MEETINGS**15.1 Next Regular Meeting Scheduled for Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 10:45 am at John Braithwaite Community Centre, Harbourview Room, 145 West 1st Street, North Vancouver, BC****16. TOWN HALL**

Kim Benson recommended that, in its planning for meetings on the North shore, the Local Trust Committee take into account how Keats Islanders would get there and back.

17. CLOSED MEETING – None**18. ADJOURNMENT**

By general consent the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 pm.

Kate-Louise Stamford, Acting Chair

Certified Correct:

Diane Corbett, Recorder