

**SATURNA ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE
BYLAW NO. 131**

**A Bylaw to Amend the Saturna Island Local Trust Committee
Meeting Procedure Bylaw**

The Saturna Island Local Trust Committee, being the Local Trust Committee having jurisdiction in respect of the Saturna Island Local Trust Area under the *Islands Trust Act*, enacts as follows:

1. Saturna Island Local Trust Committee Meeting Procedure Bylaw No. 83, 2004, is amended as follows:

1.1 By deleting section 10 in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

"10. In the event that neither the Chairperson nor the alternate member of the Local Trust Committee appointed by the Chair of the Trust Council is present within one half hour of the scheduled time of a regular or special meeting, the Director of Local Planning Services, or his or her designate, shall call the meeting to order and the remaining trustees shall determine which of them shall act as Chairperson."

1.2 By adding the following new sections after section 16, and by renumbering section 17 and section 18 to become section 30 and section 31 respectively:

"ELECTRONIC MEETINGS

17. A special meeting of the Local Trust Committee to deal with urgent new business may be conducted entirely by means of audio or audio and visual electronic communication facilities if a majority of the members of the Local Trust Committee have agreed by resolution that the meeting may be conducted in this way and provided the Deputy Secretary has received sufficient notice and can make the necessary arrangements.

18. An individual Local Trust Committee member who is not at the physical location of a special Local Trust Committee meeting or a regular Local Trust Committee meeting may choose to participate by means of audio or audio and visual electronic communication facilities, provided the Deputy Secretary has received sufficient notice and can make the necessary arrangements.

19. At a regular Local Trust Committee meeting, not more than one Local Trust Committee member may participate by means of electronic communication facilities.

20. An individual member of the Local Trust Committee may not participate by means of electronic communication facilities in two consecutive regular meetings of the Local Trust Committee nor more than three regular meetings in any calendar year.

21. The Local Trust Committee may waive the restrictions in sections 19 and 20 by unanimous resolution, provided the waiver does not conflict with provincial legislation and regulation that enables electronic meetings.

22. Local Trust Committee members who use electronic communication facilities to participate in a meeting conducted in accordance with this bylaw are deemed present at the meeting.
23. A member of the Local Trust Committee may begin participation in a meeting by electronic communication facilities after the meeting has been called to order.
24. Where a member of the Local Trust Committee is participating in a meeting through electronic communication facilities, the facilities must enable all meeting participants to hear, or watch and hear, each other and must provide notice when participants join or leave the meeting.
25. Where a member of the Local Trust Committee is participating in a meeting through electronic communication facilities, the facilities must enable the public to hear, or watch and hear, all meeting participants at the place specified in the meeting notice, unless the meeting has been properly closed to the public.
26. For the duration of an electronic meeting that is open to the public, a designated staff member must attend at the place specified in the meeting notice for the public to hear, or watch and hear, the participants.
27. Cell phone or satellite connections may be used for open Local Trust Committee meetings.
28. If communication is lost to one or more electronic participants during a meeting:
 - 28.1 the participant affected will attempt to reestablish the link and, in the interim, will be deemed to have left the meeting and this will be recorded in the minutes;
 - 28.2 if there is not a quorum, the Local Trust Committee Chair or person presiding will call a recess until the link is reestablished; and
 - 28.3 if, after 15 minutes, a link cannot be reestablished and there is not a quorum of Local Trust Committee members, the meeting will be deemed adjourned and the item under discussion at the time of loss of communication will be added to the next agenda.
29. Any costs of electronic participation in a Local Trust Committee meeting will be borne by the Saturna Island Local Trust Committee."

2. This bylaw may be cited as "Saturna Island Local Trust Committee Meeting Procedure Bylaw No. 83, 2004, Amendment No. 1, 2020".

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL , 2020

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL , 2020

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL , 2020

APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ISLANDS TRUST THIS
29TH DAY OF APRIL , 2020

ADOPTED THIS 5TH DAY OF MAY , 2020

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY