

**MINUTES OF THE THETIS ISLAND
LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2013 - 9:15 AM
THETIS ISLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE, FORBES HALL, LIBRARY
292 NORTH COVE ROAD, THETIS ISLAND, BC**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ken Hancock	Chair
Peter Luckham	Local Trustee
Sue French	Local Trustee

STAFF PRESENT:

Aleksandra Brzozowski	Island Planner
Janice Young	Recorder

MEDIA AND OTHERS PRESENT:

Approximately 3 members of the public a.m.
Approximately 1 member of the public p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hancock called the meeting to order at 9:20 am. He acknowledged Thetis Island as traditional territories of the Coast Salish people and expressed his appreciation; welcomed the members of the public; and introduced himself, trustees and staff.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By general consent, the agenda was approved with the following amendments:

- Move Item 9.3 to Item 9.1 and Item 9.1 to Item 9.3.

3. TOWN HALL

Members of the public spoke and the following points were raised:

- Thanks for the two events held at Forbes Hall in March, *Greening our Shores Shoreline Mapping Workshop* and *Shoreline Protection Project Workshop*
 - i. Recommendation to revise the survey.
 - ii. Recommendation to not rush the process.
 - iii. Create a set of guidelines exclusively for Thetis Island.

Trustees spoke to these points:

- In the process of revising the survey.
- Not in a rush on this topic.

4. **MINUTES**

4.1 *Local Trust Committee Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2013.*

The following changes to the minutes of February 6, 2013 were presented for consideration at this time:

- **Item 3**, reword to read “Ernie Hunter asked for clarification regarding Draft Bylaw No. 92 (Streams Subject to Riparian Area Regulation) and the difference between Board of Variance and Variance Permit.”
- **Item 3**, add the following response, “ Chair Hancock gave a brief explanation summarizing that a Board of Variance is a separate body charged with permitting a Variance as a result of a hardship, and a Variance Permit is a change to a Land Use Bylaw limitation that does not change a density or use.”
- **Item 5.3**, second line, replace “It was noted” with “Staff advise”.

By general consent, the minutes were adopted as amended.

4.2 *Section 26 Resolutions Without Meeting Log dated April 10, 2013.*

Received for information.

4.3 *Advisory Planning Commission Minutes*

None at this time.

4.4 *Ruxton Island Advisory Planning Commission Adopted Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2013.*

Received for information.

4.5 *Ruxton Island Advisory Planning Commission Draft Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2013.*

Received for information.

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

5.1 *Follow-up Action List dated April 10, 2013*

Presented by Planner Brzozowski. Discussion followed:

- Trustee French requested the addition of a new item – an E-Spokes announcement to introduce the new Planner and new appointment times – and that she would be responsible.
- Trustee Luckham requested the removal of Item No. 1, due to the lack of support from government agencies and unclear jurisdiction.

TH-009-2013 It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that Item No. 1 on the Follow-up Action List be removed.

CARRIED

Planner Brzozowski noted that November 21's follow up action on RAR compliance in Ralston Creek continues to see work from Regional Planning Manager Simpson and a report will come to the LTC at a subsequent meeting.

5.2 *Proposed National Marine Conservation Area Boundary Memorandum with Map dated April 10, 2013*

National Marine Conservation Area Boundaries were presented by Planner Brzozowski. Discussion ensued.

TH-010-2013 It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee recommends to Parks Canada that the National Marine Conservation Area Boundary area include waters surrounding unprotected Crown islets up to the high water mark.

CARRIED

TH-011-2013 It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee recommends to Parks Canada that the National Marine Conservation Area Boundary in the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee not exclude areas covered by W-1, W-2 and W-3 in Telegraph Harbour.

CARRIED

6. DELEGATIONS

None.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

8. APPLICATIONS AND PERMITS

None.

9. LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE PROJECTS

9.1 *Watershed and Shoreline Mapping Workshop Follow Up*

9.2 *Marine Shoreline Protection Project Survey Follow-up.*

Discussion regarding follow up on the Watershed and Shoreline Mapping

Workshop and Marine Shoreline Protection Survey; several points/ideas were raised, including:

- Work on a new survey.
- Explore alternatives.
- Relax the timeframe – raise awareness and get the public involved.
- Create Greenshores principles for the homeowner and make it user friendly for the public.
- Clarify objectives and best practices.
- The Islands Trust Policy Statement requires Local Trust Committees to oversee the protection of water zones.
- Balance a few different approaches and explore incentives that may be other than financial.
- Education and raising awareness first; a follow-up survey in a year or more.
- Begin development of a workshop that provides more information on shoreline protection to be presented in the summer when more residents are on-island.
- Consider creating a Shoreline Advisory Planning Commission.

TH-012-2013

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee direct Staff to do preliminary planning for a community information meeting on shoreline protection to be scheduled on a weekend during July or August 2013, and that it will be funded from Special Projects.

CARRIED

TH-013-2013

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee direct Staff to seek other sources of funding for further work on the Green Shores program and to report back to the June 5, 2013 Local Trust Committee meeting.

CARRIED

9.3 *Associated Island Community Plan Update*

Planner Brzozowski updated the trustees on the Associated Island Community Plan. Discussion followed with review and comments by the Local Trust Committee.

TH-014-2013

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee endorses the Table of Revised Project Goals dated April 4, 2013.

CARRIED

10. REPORTS

10.1 *Work Program Reports- Top Priorities and Projects Report dated April 10, 2013*

Received.

10.2 *Applications Log - Report dated April 10, 2013*

Received.

10.3 *Trustee and Local Expenses*

10.3.1 *Expenses posted to February 28, 2013*

10.3.2 *Expenses posted to March 31, 2013*

Received.

10.4 *Chair's Report*

Chair Hancock reported on highlights of the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities convention, April 12-14, 2013 in Sooke, which included:

- Islands Trust requesting further work on the removal of derelict vessels.
- Request to the Federal and Provincial governments that Vancouver Island become a Genetically Engineered (GE) Free Zone.

10.5 *Trustees' Report*

Trustee French spoke about the Trust Council meeting that was held on March 5 – 7, 2013 at Overbury Farm Resort on Thetis Island, expressing thanks for a fabulous job of hosting this event and reported of great feedback, both from visiting trustees and from locals.

Trustee Luckham reported that he is keeping busy with Trust Council, and had also attended the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Convention.

10.6 *Advisory Planning Commission Report*

None.

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

11.1 *Renewable Energy Technologies in the Trust Area – Ocean Based Geo-Exchange Systems - Memorandum dated February 25, 2013.*

Presentation and reviewed by Trustees.

TH-015-2013

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee add to the Projects List that the Thetis Island Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaw be amended to permit Ocean Based Geo-Exchange Systems.

CARRIED

11.2 *Thetis Island Advisory Planning Commission (APC) Membership Status - Memorandum dated April 4, 2013*

The memorandum was reviewed and discussion followed regarding the membership status of the Thetis Island Advisory Planning Commission.

TH-016-2013 It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee ask Staff to contact Advisory Planning Commission members, as listed in the April 8, 2013 memorandum, regarding reappointment, and if additional Advisory Planning Commission members are needed, to then advertise for expressions of interest.

CARRIED

12. BYLAWS

None.

13. ISLANDS TRUST WEBSITE

Discussion followed regarding the Thetis Page on the Islands Trust website, and it was decided to add videos from the March 13 and March 20, 2013 Green Shores workshops on Thetis, along with supporting documents and links to other important and relevant sites.

Trustee Luckham will produce and distribute a DVD version of the videos.

There will be advertising on E-Spokes regarding where these resources are available.

14. TOWN HALL DISCUSSION

Town Hall participants spoke to the following points/ideas:

- In favour of DVD production and distribution.
- Questioning the benefit of a special group for Shoreline issues, and the focus of work.
- Thanks for the opportunity to interject briefly throughout the meeting.

Trustees thanked the community members for attending.

15. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Local Trust Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 at 9:15 a.m. at the Thetis Island Community Centre (Main Hall), North Cove Road, Thetis Island, BC.

16. ADJOURNMENT

TH-017-2013 It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee Business Meeting of April 17, 2013 be adjourned at 2:16 pm.

CARRIED

Chair

Recorder