



Trust Council

Minutes of a Regular Meeting

Date: March 12-14, 2024
Location: Chemainus / Port Alberni Room, Coast Bastion Hotel
11 Bastion Street, Nanaimo BC

Executive Present:

1. Peter Luckham, Chair, Thetis
2. David Maude, Vice-Chair, Mayne
3. Tim Peterson, Vice-Chair, Lasqueti
4. Tobi Elliott, Vice-Chair, Gabriola

Trustees Present:

5. Judith Gedye, Bowen Island Municipal Trustee
6. Sue Ellen Fast, Bowen Island Municipal Trustee
7. Sam Borthwick, Denman Trustee
8. David Graham, Denman Trustee
9. Susan Yates, Gabriola Trustee
10. Lisa Gauvreau, Galiano Trustee
11. Kate-Louise Stamford, Gambier Trustee
12. Mikaila Lironi, Lasqueti Trustee
13. Jeannine Dodds, Mayne Trustee (periodically attended electronically)
14. Deb Morrison, North Pender Trustee
15. Aaron Campbell, North Pender Trustee
16. Laura Patrick, Salt Spring Trustee
17. Mairead Boland, Saturna Trustee (attended electronically)
18. Kristina Evans, South Pender Trustee
19. Dag Falck, South Pender Trustee (attended electronically)
20. Ken Hunter, Thetis Trustee
21. Grant Scott, Hornby Trustee
22. Lee Middleton, Saturna Trustee (periodically attended electronically)
23. Jaime Harris, Salt Spring Trustee (attended electronically)

Regrets:

24. Alex Allen, Hornby Trustee
25. Joe Bernardo, Gambier Trustee
26. Ben Maberley, Galiano Trustee

Staff Present:

Russ Hotsenpiller, Chief Administrative Officer
David Marlor, Director, Legislative Services
Clare Frater, Director, Trust Area Services
Julia Mobbs, Director, Administrative Services
Stefan Cermak, Director, Planning Services
Renee Jamurat, Regional Planning Manager
Tyler Brown, Senior Policy Advisor
Morgana van Niekerk, Communications Specialist
Alexandra Trifonidis, Acting Executive Coordinator

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

The in-person meeting was recorded, livestreamed, and made available for electronic attendance.

1. CALL TO ORDER / LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

At 10:30 a.m., Chair Luckham called the meeting to order and acknowledged the meeting was held in Snuneymuxw First Nation territory.

There were 18 trustees present.

Chair Luckham introduced and welcomed Snuneymuxw Elder Lolly Good who provided a blessing and prayer.

Trustees and staff introduced themselves.

2. AGENDA

2.1 Review of the Agenda

The following additions to the agenda were presented for consideration:

13.3 Rob Botterell, Naacaluk re: Open Letter to Premier David Eby dated March 4, 2024

TC-2024-001

It was MOVED by Trustee Falck and SECONDED by Trustee Gedye,
that Trust Council by 2/3 majority vote add the letter to BC Premier David Eby
written by Rob Botterell as a new item to the agenda.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Agenda

By general consent, the agenda was approved as amended.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Consent Agenda Items

Item 3.1.3 was pulled from the consent agenda items for discussion.

By general consent Trust Council adopted the recommendation as presented in
items 3.1.1 and 3.1.2.

3.1.1 December 5-7, 2023, Trust Council Meeting Draft Minutes

That Trust Council adopt the minutes as presented.

3.1.2 Trust Council Resolutions Without Meeting

None

3.1.3 Trust Council Follow Up Action List (FUAL)

Trustees asked questions, for clarification, on some FUAL list items.

Discussion on amending the FUAL report status tab ensued.

TC-2024-002

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Trust Council request staff to amend the follow-up action report status tab that a percentage complete for each line item be added.

CARRIED

3.2 Discussion / Decision Items

3.2.1 Trustee Roundtable

Trustees provided updates on the work of their local trust committees.

Trustee Morrison gave notice that she intends to bring a motion to June’s Trust Council meeting on the question of requesting a Provincial review, taking next steps and invited other trustees to work with her.

Trustee Campbell joined the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:08 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Trustee Scott joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

4. EXECUTIVE SERVICES

4.1 Consent Agenda Items

4.1.1 Chief Administrative Officer – Report

By general consent Trust Council received item 4.1.1 as presented.

4.1.2 Executive Committee Work Program

Discussion ensued on the status of EC Active Projects item 3, “Request for Provincial Review and Provincial Funding Strategy.”

CAO Hotsenpiller noted that a comprehensive report to the minister on actions the Trust has taken to reform its governance and management structure within its existing authority are the next steps needed to advance this work.

4.1.3 Governance Committee Work Program

Request for update on Governance Committee on preparation of a letter to the Province. The CAO provided an update.

Chair Gedye provided an update on the activities of the Governance Committee since last Trust Council.

By general consent Trust Council approved item 4.1.2 and 4.1.3 as presented.

4.2 Discussion / Decision Items

4.2.1 Committee of the Whole - Meeting Procedures Bylaw Amendment - RFD

Director of Legislative Services Marlor provided review of the request for decision (RFD).

TC-2024-003

It was MOVED by Trustee Fast and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Trust Council Bylaw 196, cited as “Islands Trust Council Meeting Procedures Bylaw, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2024”, be read a first time.

CARRIED

TC-2024-004

It was MOVED by Trustee Borthwick and SECONDED by Trustee Gauvreau, that Trust Council Bylaw 196, cited as “Islands Trust Council Meeting Procedures Bylaw, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2024”, be read a second time.

CARRIED

TC-2024-005

It was MOVED by Trustee Borthwick and SECONDED by Trustee Morrison, that Trust Council Bylaw 196, cited as “Islands Trust Council Meeting Procedures Bylaw, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2024”, be read a third time.

CARRIED

DLS Marlor informed Trust Council that adoption of the bylaw, by resolution without meeting (RWM), can be initiated no sooner than 24 hours after the meeting is adjourned.

4.2.2 Records Management System Bylaw No. 195 – RFD

DLS Marlor provided review of the request for decision.

TC-2024-006

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee, that Trust Council request Staff amend draft Bylaw No. 195 be amended in .6, to add words “, the “Islands Trust Council Records Management System Manual” (the “Manual”), “ after “manual of procedures and policy”.

CARRIED

TC-2024-007

It was MOVED by Trustee Borthwick and SECONDED by Trustee Evans, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 195, cited as the “Islands Trust Council Records Management System Bylaw, 2024”, as amended, be read a first time.

CARRIED

TC-2024-008

It was MOVED by Trustee Fast and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 195, cited as the “Islands Trust Council Records Management System Bylaw, 2024”, be read a second time.

CARRIED

TC-2024-009

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Gedye, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 195, cited as the “Islands Trust Council Records Management System Bylaw, 2024”, be read a third time.

CARRIED

5. LOCAL PLANNING SERVICES

5.1 Consent Agenda Items

By general consent Trust Council received item 5.1.2 as presented.

5.1.1 Director of Planning Services – Report

Question about the elements of the Director report and some of the planned work. The Director of Planning Services Cermak provided explanations. Questions about building permit referral process, and suggestion of having a shoreline model bylaw for the entire Trust Area.

5.1.2 Regional Planning Committee Work Plan

That Trust Council approve the Regional Planning Committee Work Program as presented.

The meeting recessed for break at 2:01 p.m. and reconvened for the Strategic Plan - Goals and Priorities session at 2:15 p.m., which was not livestreamed.

6. STRATEGIC PLAN - GOALS and PRIORITIES SESSION

Trustees undertook a strategic planning goals and priorities session facilitated by Cheeying Ho, WCS Engagement and Planning.

Trustee Boland left the meeting at 5:14 p.m.

Trust Council recessed for the day at 5:30 p.m.

Chair Luckham reconvened the meeting at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 13, 2024.

Vice-Chair Elliott was not in attendance.

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

7. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES / FINANCE

7.1 Consent Agenda Items

By general consent Trust Council received item 7.1.1 and approved items 7.1.2, and 7.1.4 as presented.

7.1.1 Director of Administrative Services – Report

7.1.2 Third Quarter Financial Report - RFD

That the Islands Trust Council approve the third quarter Financial Report as presented.

7.1.3 Third Quarter Financial Forecast - BRF

Question about the financial report. The Director provided an overview of the financial forecast.

That the Islands Trust Council approve the third quarter Financial Forecast as presented.

7.1.4 Financial Planning Committee Work Plan

That Trust Council approve the Financial Planning Committee Work Program as presented.

7.2 Discussion / Decision Items

The Vice-Chair of the Financial Planning Committee introduced the draft budget for Fiscal year 2024/25, and provided an overview of the Financial Planning Committee budget process. Trustees asked questions about the draft budget.

7.2.1 Draft 2024/25 Budget Session

7.2.1.1 Draft Budget Session Outline

7.2.1.2 Draft Budget Assumptions and Principles

7.2.1.3 Budget Overview – BRF

The Director provided an overview of the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2024/25.

Vice-Chair Elliott joined the meeting at 8:53 a.m.

TC-2024-010

It was MOVED by Trustee Boland and SECONDED by Trustee Hunter, that Trust Council remove the proposed new staff position for Islands Trust Conservancy (Protected Areas Manager) from the 2024/25 draft budget.

DEFEATED

Trustees Hunter and Harris requested that their vote in favour be recorded.

The meeting recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m.

TC-2024-011

It was MOVED by Trustee Peterson and SECONDED by Trustee Gauvreau,

that Trust Council add back the Stewardship Education amount of \$15,000 to the draft 2024/25 budget.

CARRIED

TC-2024-012

It was MOVED by Trustee Peterson and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Trust Council add back the Secretariat Services amount of \$10,000 to the draft 2024/25 budget.

CARRIED

The MOVER clarified this is for a total of \$15,000.

TC-2024-013

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Borthwick, that Trust Council reduce the Freedom of Information budget to \$5,000 for the draft 2024/25 budget as per the previous year's budget.

CARRIED

TC-2024-014

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Trust Council reduce the "Applications Sponsored by Executive Committee" by \$5,000 for the 2024/25 budget to align with currently expected spend.

DEFEATED

TC-2024-015

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Trust Council reduce "First Nations Engagement Plan" by \$10,000 for the draft 2024/25 budget and remain at the previous year's budget as no spending occurred last year.

DEFEATED

TC-2024-016

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Gauvreau, that Trust Council adjust telephone and training for the draft 2024/25 budget so it remain at previous year's spend, \$12,000 and \$10,000 respectively, for a joint reduction of \$5,000.

CARRIED

TC-2024-017

It was MOVED by Trustee Gauvreau and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Trust Council reinstate funding for the Galiano Islands Trust office for the 2024/2025 budget.

CARRIED

TC-2024-018

It was MOVED by Trustee Graham and SECONDED by Trustee Gauvreau,

that Trust Council return \$10,000 to the Executive Committee expense amount, regarding Local Trust Committee Chair expenses budget amount.

CARRIED

TC-2024-019

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Campbell,

that the “Project: Islands Trust Conservancy Plan First Nation Engagement” remain at the previous year’s budget total by reducing the Islands Trust contribution by the Species At Risk grant contribution of \$8,000.

DEFEATED

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Trustees Dodds, Scott, and Middleton left the meeting.

8. ENGAGEMENT / COLLABORATION

Chair Luckham opened the engagement/collaboration session. The trustees introduced themselves.

8.1 Delegations

8.1.1 Ian Peace - Gulf Islands Alliance

The delegation arrived late and presented following the public comments. Mr. Peace, representing the Gulf Islands Alliance, spoke to the Islands Trust Council Statement on the scope and meaning of Section 3 of the Islands Trust Act. Written documentation on the topic was received from Mr. Peace on page 330-332 of the agenda.

8.2 Public Comments

The Chair invited members of the public to speak to council.

- Graham Brazier, Denman Island - spoke to interpreting the Islands Trust mandate.
- Jennifer Margison, Friends of the Gulf Islands - spoke to the purposes of a communications strategy and the fact that the goals session on Tuesday was not live-streamed.
- Ted Olynyk, Communications Manager for BC Hydro - spoke to his proposed presentation to Trust Council in June on the work that BC Hydro has done on the islands.
- Dan Rogers, Keats Islands - spoke to agendas and public comment period, would be useful to hold the public comment period prior to the Trust Council discussion on the budget.

- Michael Sketch, North Pender Island - spoke to governance and the Trust Policy Statement.

Trustee Dodds joined the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Trust Council resumed item 7.2.1.3 Budget Overview after the Engagement section.

7.2.1.3 Budget Overview – BRF

TC-2024-020

It was MOVED by Trustee Boland and SECONDED by Trustee Morrison, that Trust Council replace the Islands Trust Conservancy Protected Areas Manager staff position, with a temporary staff position for Islands Trust Conservancy, in the draft 2024/25 budget.

DEFEATED

TC-2024-021

It was MOVED by Trustee Morrison and SECONDED by Trustee Campbell, that the Trust Council reduce the \$30,000 from the budget for the "Housing Strategy and Housing Options Toolkit" project by the Regional Planning Committee.

Trust Council recessed conversation on this motion and picked it up after the Media & Social Media Training Session.

9. MEDIA & SOCIAL MEDIA TRAINING SESSION

Trustees undertook a training session on social media from Jan Enns Communications.

The meeting reconvened at 5:30 p.m. following the media training session.

7.2.1.3 Budget Overview – BRF (Continued)

TC-2024-021

It was MOVED by Trustee Morrison and SECONDED by Trustee Campbell, that Trust Council remove \$30,000 from the budget for the "Housing Strategy and Housing Options Toolkit" project by the Regional Planning Committee.

DEFEATED

TC-2024-022

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Boland, that Trust Council reduce the budget for the "Housing Strategy and Housing Options Toolkit" project by \$10,000.

DEFEATED

7.2.1.4 Draft Budget Funding Requests

7.2.1.4.1 Business Case Summaries

7.2.1.4.2 Strategic Plan Projects

- 7.2.1.4.2.1 EC: Policy Statement Amendment Project
- 7.2.1.4.2.2 TPC: Secretariat Services
- 7.2.1.4.2.3 RPC: Housing Needs Assessment: North/South Gulf Islands
- 7.2.1.4.2.4 RPC: Housing Strategy and Housing Options Toolkit
- 7.2.1.5 Operational Projects and Staffing
 - 7.2.1.5.1 Building Footprint GIS Data Layer Update
 - 7.2.1.5.2 Bylaw Portal Licensing and Implementation
 - 7.2.1.5.3 SSI Office Relocation
 - 7.2.1.5.4 Microsoft 365 Upgrade - BRF
 - 7.2.1.5.5 GIS Coordinator
 - 7.2.1.5.6 CAOHC: Hiring an Executive Search Firm
- 7.2.1.6 ITC Board Budget Requests - BRF
- 7.2.1.7 LTC Projects - Budget Requests and Feasibility
 - 7.2.1.7.1 Planning Services – Projects Feasibility Assessment - BRF
 - 7.2.1.7.2 Denman - OCP and LUB Housing Policy Review
 - 7.2.1.7.3 Gabriola - OCP and LUB Comprehensive Review
 - 7.2.1.7.4 Mayne - Housing Options
 - 7.2.1.7.5 North Pender - Housing Access and Affordability
 - 7.2.1.7.6 Hornby - Relationship Building Actions with K'ómoks First Nation
 - 7.2.1.7.7 Salt Spring - OCP and LUB Review
 - 7.2.1.7.8 Salt Spring - Ganges (Shiya'hwt/SYOWT) Village Area Plan
- 7.2.1.8 Proposed Unfunded Project Requests
 - 7.2.1.8.1 TPC: Stewardship Education Program
 - 7.2.1.8.2 Eelgrass Mapping - Phase 2 - BRF
- 7.2.1.9 SSI Water Sustainability Projects - RFD

TC-2024-023

It was MOVED by Trustee Patrick and SECONDED by Trustee Peterson, that Trust Council, despite Policy 6.3.2, authorize the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee to use unspent special property tax requisition funds from previous fiscal years to undertake water sustainability projects under the delegated authority of Bylaw 154, and under the land use planning powers of s.29 of the Islands Trust Act.

CARRIED

Trust Council recessed for the day at 6:00 p.m.

Chair Luckham reconvened the meeting at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, March 14, 2024.

Thursday, March 14, 2024

10. CLOSED MEETING (Separate Agenda)

TC-2024-024

It was MOVED by Trustee Dodds and SECONDED by Trustee (missed the seconder), that the Islands Trust Council meeting be closed to the public subject to Section 90(1) of the Community Charter in order to consider matters related to:
(c) labour relations or other employee relations,
(g) litigation affecting the Islands Trust; and
(i) receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege;
and that CAO Russ Hotsenpiller and staff be invited to attend the closed session.

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 8:34 a.m. and reopened to Rise and Report at 9:45 a.m.

10.1 RISE AND REPORT

Chair Luckham reported that Trust Council adopted in-camera minutes, received a litigation report, an update from CAO Hiring Committee, and will be publicly releasing a briefing from the CAO Hiring Committee.

11. FINANCIAL BYLAWS APPROVAL

The Director of Administrative Services Mobbs provided an update on the draft 2024/25 budget based on amendments made by Trust Council at the meeting yesterday.

11.1 Bylaw 193 - Financial Plan Bylaw 2024/2024 – RFD

The Director of Administrative Services Mobbs presented the five-year Financial Plan Bylaw for 2024/45.

Trustee Morrison raised a concern the money had not been earmarked for potentially joining the Sue Big Oil movement.

TC-2024-025

It was MOVED by Trustee Morrison and SECONDED by Trustee Yates,

that Islands Trust include \$15,256 in the 2024/25 budget to join the Sue Big Oil class action lawsuit, funds eligible for spending only upon Trust Council formally resolving to join the movement.

DEFEATED

Trustee Morrison requested that her vote in favour be recorded.

TC-2024-026

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Gauvreau, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 193, cited as the “Financial Plan Bylaw 2024-2025”, be read a first time.

CARRIED

Trustee Harris requested that his vote in opposition be recorded.

TC-2024-027

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 193, cited as the “Financial Plan Bylaw 2024-2025”, be read a second time.

CARRIED

Trustee Harris, Hunter, Campbell, and Morrison requested their vote in opposition be recorded.

TC-2024-028

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Gedye, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 193, cited as the “Financial Plan Bylaw 2024-2025”, be read a third time.

CARRIED

Trustee Harris and Morrison requested their vote in opposition be recorded.

TC-2024-029

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Gauvreau, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 193, cited as the “Financial Plan Bylaw 2024-2025”, be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval consideration.

CARRIED

Trustee Harris requested that his vote in opposition be recorded.

11.2 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw - RFD

TC-2024-030

It was MOVED by Trustee Yates and SECONDED by Trustee Evans, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 194, cited as “Islands Trust Council Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 2024-2025”, be read a first time.

CARRIED

TC-2024-031

It was MOVED by Trustee Gedye and SECONDED by Trustee Borthwick,

that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 194, cited as “Islands Trust Council Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 2024-2025”, be read a second time.

CARRIED

TC-2024-032

It was MOVED by Trustee Fast and SECONDED by Trustee Gedye, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 194, cited as “Islands Trust Council Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 2024-2025”, be read a third time.

CARRIED

TC-2024-033

It was MOVED by Trustee Yates and SECONDED by Trustee Evans, that Islands Trust Council Bylaw 194, cited as “Islands Trust Council Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 2024-2025”, be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval consideration.

CARRIED

Trust Council resumed the Local Planning Services section at item 5.2 Discussion / Decision Items.

5.2 Discussion / Decision Items

5.2.1 Bylaw Compliance & Enforcement Statistical Report – BRF

By general consent Trust Council received the Bylaw Compliance and Enforcement Report for information

5.2.2 Bylaw Compliance and Enforcement Review Project - RFD

Director of Planning Services Cermak introduced the request for decision.

TC-2024-034

It was MOVED by Trustee Patrick and SECONDED by Trustee Campbell, that Trust Council approve Bylaw Compliance and Enforcement Review Project Charter V1.

CARRIED

12. TRUST AREA SERVICES

12.1 Consent Agenda Items

By general consent Trust Council received item 12.1.1 and approved item 12.1.2 as presented.

12.1.1 Director of Trust Area Services – Report

12.1.2 Trust Programs Committee Work Program

That the Islands Trust Council approve the top priorities of the Trust Programs Committee Work Program Report.

12.2 Discussion / Decision Items

12.2.1 Policy Statement Amendment Project Update – Request for Decision

The Director of Trust Area Services Frater introduced the request for decision.

TC-2024-035

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Boland, that Trust Council request Staff to create a detailed workplan in addition to the existing project Charter to clarify, and specify, the work involved within each step of the policy Statement Amendment Project.

CARRIED

TC-2024-036

It was MOVED by Trustee Patrick and SECONDED by Trustee Morrison, that Trust Council request that the “Policy Statement Amendment Project - Project Charter V8” be amended to have the Draft Policy Statement be initially provided to Trust Council at a special meeting.

CARRIED

TC-2024-037

It was MOVED by Trustee Fast and SECONDED by Trustee Evans, that Trust Council endorse the Policy Statement Amendment Project Charter Version 8 as amended.

CARRIED

To accommodate timing needs, Trust Council moved to item 12.3 Islands Trust Conservancy Report.

12.3 Islands Trust Conservancy Report

Chair Smith updated Trust Council on the activities of the Islands Trust Conservancy. Trust Council received the report for information.

Trust Council resumed at item 12.2.2 Communications Plan – BRF.

12.2.2 Communications Plan – BRF

The Director of Trust Area Services presented the communications plan. Trust Council received for information with suggestions to remove the first sentence in section 1. Context, and instead start with the second sentence: “An updated communications...”

In section 3, 3.2 Creating a Communication Plan, a recommendation was presented to have a workplan format instead of a project charter style.

12.2.3 Legislative Monitoring - RPT & BRF

The Director of Trust Area Services presented the legislative monitoring chart. Trust Council received for information.

12.2.4 Climate Change – BRF

The Director of Trust Area Services presented the climate change briefing. Trust Council received this for information.

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 Advice to Trust Council - Improve Trustee Access to Agendas in HTML - RFD

The request for decision was provided by trustees: Boland, Borthwick, Elliott, Evans, Fast, Gauvreau, and Peterson.

TC-2024-038

It was MOVED by Trustee Fast and SECONDED by Trustee Borthwick, that Trust Council direct staff to prepare a report with options and recommendations for providing meeting agendas in HTML as well as PDF versions.

CARRIED

13.2 Selection of a location for the September 2024 Trust Council Meeting - RFD

TC-2024-039

It was MOVED by Trustee Elliott and SECONDED by Trustee Morrison, that the September Trust Council meeting be held on Gabriola Island.

CARRIED

TC-2024-040

It was MOVED by Trustee Elliot and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Trustees be polled to confirm their in-person attendance by April 15, 2024, and if the total number of Trustees is less than 3/4 of Trust Council (20 Trustees), that the meeting be re-scheduled as electronic.

DEFEATED

TC-2024-041

It was MOVED by Trustee Elliott and SECONDED by Trustee Gauvreau, that staff explore options to charge accommodation costs back to Trustees if they commit to attendance in person, but do not, with the exception of medical emergencies or extraordinary circumstances.

Trustee Hunter noted he will not be at the September Trust Council meeting.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- Work and other scheduling issues that arise last minute.
- Description of wording in the motion (extraordinary circumstances) and who decides what is a medical emergency or extraordinary circumstance.
- Costs associated to attend Trust Council per trustee.
- Staff resources versus last minute cancellations.
- Food waste.
- Trustee remuneration.

TC-2024-042

It was MOVED by Trustee Morrison and SECONDED by Trustee Evans, that Trust Council defer this item to the June Trust Council meeting.

CARRIED

13.3 Business Letter to David Eby written by Rob Botterell re: moratorium on docks

TC-2024-043

It was MOVED by Trustee Falck and SECONDED by Trustee Campbell, that Trust Council authorizes and directs Trust Chair Peter Luckham to write, sign and send a letter regarding Dock Tenures to Honourable Premier Eby, Honourable Minister Cullen, Honourable Minister Rankin and Honourable Minister Kang by March 15th. The letter should be informed by the attached letter from Rob Botterell (to the ministers) and be modeled on the Trust Council draft letter provided by him.

TC-2024-044

It was MOVED by Trustee Stamford and SECONDED by Trustee Fast, that the motion be amended to remove the date and delete the last sentence.

CARRIED

The question on the following motion, as amended, was then called:

That Trust Council authorizes and directs Trust Chair Peter Luckham to write, sign and send a letter regarding Dock Tenures to Honourable Premier Eby, Honourable Minister Cullen, Honourable Minister Rankin and Honourable Minister Kang.

CARRIED

Trustee Morrison requested to note that her opposition is to the process not the intent of the motion.

13.4 From Budget discussion – Planning Staff Time Tracking

TC-2024-045

It was MOVED by Trustee Morrison and SECONDED by Trustee Campbell, that Trust Council requests staff to report in the September and March Trust Council meetings about the tracking of Planning staff time and application revenue.

TC-2024-046

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Peterson, that the motion be amended to add at the end “with regards to cost recovery”.

CARRIED

The question on the following motion, as amended, was then called:

That the Trust Council request staff to report in the September and March Trust Council meetings about the tracking of planning staff time and application revenue with regards to cost recovery.

CARRIED

13.5 From budget discussion – Planning Staff Time Tracking

TC-2024-047

It was MOVED by Trustee Boland and SECONDED by Trustee Evans, that the Islands Trust Conservancy use the comprehensive analysis created in support of the budget request for a new staff position, to make a strategic approach to the province, to request funding for the entire Islands Trust Conservancy budget going forward.

Trust Council recessed conversation on this motion for a break at 12:53 p.m. and resumed at 1:03 p.m.

TC-2024-048

It was MOVED by Trustee Evans and SECONDED by Trustee Gauvreau, that Trust Council defer this item to September Council.

DEFEATED

The question on the original motion was then called:

That the Islands Trust Conservancy use the comprehensive analysis created in support of the budget request for a new staff position, to make a strategic approach to the province, to request funding for the entire Islands Trust Conservancy budget going forward.

DEFEATED

14. SUMMARY / UPDATES

14.1 Trustee Updates about Working in Cooperation with Others

Chair Luckham asked for any updates and noted no written updates were received for this meeting.

Vice-Chair Peterson advised trustees that a report from the Xwe'etay/Lasqueti Archaeology Project was meant to be included in the agenda and has already been circulated to all trustees via email.

14.1.1 Atl'ka7tsem / Howe Sound Biosphere Region - None

14.1.2 Baynes Sound / Lambert Channel Ecosystem Forum - None

14.1.3 Southern Gulf Islands Forum - None

14.1.4 Salt Spring Island Watershed Protection Alliance (SSIWPA) - None

14.1.5 VICC Climate Leadership Steering Committee

Trustee Morrison asked trustees to reach out to her via email if anyone wants anything raised regarding the VICC Climate Leadership work. An email will be circulated with more details on future meetings and work once finalized.

14.1.6 Snaw-naw-as Nation / Islands Trust Joint Working Group - None

- 14.1.7 First Nations Relations - None
- 14.1.8 Shellfish Aquaculture Management Advisory Committee - None
- 14.1.9 Freighter Anchorages/Oceans Protection Plan Update - None
- 14.1.10 BC Ferries Advisory Committees - None

14.2 Trust Council Top Priorities Active Projects Chart

By general consent Trust Council received item 14.2 for information.

14.3 June Trust Council Draft Schedule

By general consent June's Trust Council draft schedule was received for information.

14.4 Disposition of Delegations and Town Hall Requests

Chair Luckham asked for any direction on disposition of delegations and town hall requests.

Trustee Morrison asked for a clarification on the Rise and Report coming out of the September Trust Council meeting.

14.5 CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Luckham asked if there is any action required in relation to the correspondence.

TC-2024-049

It was MOVED by Trustee Elliott and SECONDED by Trustee Yates, that Trust Council request Staff to work with the Chair to draft a letter in response to the correspondence 14.5.5 and 14.5.6.

CARRIED

By general consent the above letter to be sent to other letter writers (14.5.1 and 14.5.2) expressing similar concerns.

14.5.1 2024-01-19 Regional District of Nanaimo - Legislative Reform Initiative Update

By general consent Executive Committee forward the January 19, 2024 letter from the Regional District of Nanaimo to trustees advising them to contact the Chief Executive Officer of the Regional District of Nanaimo if they are interested in participating.

14.5.2 2024-02-05 M. Wilde - Trust Mandate

14.5.3 2024-02-06 E Kelly - Gabriola

14.5.4 2024-02-08 V Poster - Protect the Gulf Islands. It's your job!

14.5.5 2024-02-15 G Bywater - Secret Change to the Trust Act

14.5.6 2024-02-19 Maxine Leichter - Friends of the Gulf Islands Society

Forwarded by Executive Committee from their February 28, 2024 meeting for information.

14.5.7 2024-02-28 F Weller - Sue Big Oil Initiative

Discussed at item 11.1 Bylaw 193 - Financial Plan Bylaw 2024/2024 – RFD.

15. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is for June 18-20, 2024, on Salt Spring Island.

16. ADJOURNMENT

By general consent the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Peter Luckham, Chair

Certified Correct:

David Marlor, Director Legislative Services