



Trust Council Minutes of Regular Meeting

Date: June 21 - 23, 2022
Location: Electronic meeting, Public venue
Islands Trust
200-1627 Fort Street
Victoria, BC V8R 1H8

Executive Present:

1. Peter Luckham, Chair, Thetis Island (boardroom)
2. Sue Ellen Fast, Vice Chair, Bowen Island Municipality
3. Dan Rogers, Vice Chair, Gambier/Keats Island
4. Laura Patrick, Vice Chair, Salt Spring Island

Trustees Attending:

5. Alex Allen, Hornby Island
6. Paul Brent, Saturna Island
7. Laura Busheikin, Denman Island (regrets)
8. David Critchley, Denman Island
9. Jeanine Dodds, Mayne Island
10. Doug Fenton, Thetis Island
11. Peter Grove, Salt Spring Island
12. Michael Kaile, Bowen Island Municipality
13. Kees Langereis, Gabriola Island
14. David Maude, Mayne Island
15. Ben McConchie, North Pender Island
16. Lee Middleton, Saturna Island
17. Kate-Louise Stamford, Gambier Island
18. Jane Wolverton, Galiano Island
19. Steve Wright, South Pender Island
20. Scott Colbourne, Gabriola Island
21. Peter Johnston, Lasqueti Island
22. Deb Morrison, North Pender Island
23. Timothy Peterson, Lasqueti Island
24. Tahirih Rockafella, Galiano Island
25. Grant Scott, Hornby Island
26. Cameron Thorn, South Pender Island

Staff Attending:

Russ Hotsenpiller, Chief Administrative Officer (boardroom)
Wanda Boden, Acting Director, Administrative Services (boardroom)
David Marlor, Director, Local Planning Services (boardroom)
Clare Frater, Director, Trust Area Services (boardroom)
Kate Emmings, Manager, Islands Trust Conservancy
Robert Kojima, Regional Planning Manager, South
Heather Kauer, Regional Planning Manager, North
Warren Dingman, Bylaw Compliance and Enforcement Manager
Dilani Hippola, Senior Policy Advisor
Lori Foster, Executive Coordinator/Recorder (boardroom)

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

The electronic meeting was livestreamed, recorded, and made available for electronic public attendance. When the meeting started, there were 2 members of the public present electronically. It was noted that there were 68 live stream views on June 21.

1. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT / CALL TO ORDER

Chair Luckham called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. stating gratitude to live and work on Coast Salish First Nations traditional and treaty territory.

There were 21 trustees deemed present when the meeting was called to order. Absent: Trustees Thorn, Morrison, Wright, Colbourne (regrets) and Busheikin (regrets).

It was noted that today is National Indigenous Peoples Day and that future June Trust Council meetings should avoid being scheduled during this week.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Forwarded from the Executive Committee meeting held earlier today:

- Port Optimization Session Outline/Presentation to 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 22 and PowerPoint added as item 5.3 to Islands Trust Council Quarterly meeting addendum.

TC-2022-037

It was moved by Trustee Middleton and Seconded by Trustee Brent,
That the agenda be reordered to alternate items 4.2.5 and 4.2.6.

CARRIED

By general consent, the agenda was adopted as amended.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Consent Agenda Items

By general consent, Trust Council adopted the recommendations as presented in items 3.1.1 to 3.1.3.

3.1.1 March Trust Council draft meeting minutes

The minutes be adopted as presented.

3.1.2 Trust Council Follow-Up Action List

Receive for information.

3.1.3 Resolution(s) without Meeting Report

Receive for information.

3.2 Discussion / Decision Items

3.2.1 Trustee Roundtable

Trustees gave verbal updates about their local trust areas.

The meeting recessed for a break at 2:18 p.m. and reconvened at 2:33 p.m.

4. EXECUTIVE

4.1 Consent Agenda Items

By general consent, Trust Council adopted the recommendations as presented in items 4.1.1 to 4.1.3.

4.1.1 Executive Committee Work Program Report

That Trust Council approve the report as presented.

4.1.2 Strategic Plan Quarterly Report

Receive for information.

4.1.3 Continuous Learning Plan

Receive for information.

4.2 Discussion / Decision Items

4.2.1 Chief Administrative Officer's (CAO) Report

CAO Hotsenpiller spoke to the report as presented.

Discussion ensued on:

- Implementation of an Accessibility Committee as required by new legislation,
- Senior Intergovernmental Policy Advisor role,
- Trustee laptops for new term and budget requests,
- Meeting with Minister Cullen.

Trustee Wright joined the meeting at 2:57 p.m.

3 members of the public were present electronically.

4.2.2 Islands Trust Election Procedures Bylaw, 2008, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2022 – RFD

DLS Marlor spoke to the request for decision as presented.

Discussion ensued on the electronic voting process, recording of votes either by electronic raised hands or roll call and, if a trustee is logged on but not shown as voting, they will be asked if they are abstaining. When a vote is close, Chair Luckham will call for those in favour, opposed and abstaining by roll call.

TC-2022-038

It was Moved by Trustee Rogers and Seconded by Trustee Brent,

That Trust Council give First reading to Bylaw No. 187, cited as “Islands Trust Election Procedures Bylaw, 2008, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2022”.

CARRIED

TC-2022-039

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Langereis,

That Trust Council give Second reading to Bylaw No. 187, cited as “Islands Trust Election Procedures Bylaw, 2008, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2022”.

CARRIED

TC-2022-040

It was Moved by Trustee Fast and Seconded by Trustee Allen,

That Trust Council give Third reading to Bylaw No. 187, cited as “Islands Trust Election Procedures Bylaw, 2008, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2022”.

CARRIED

Trustee McConchie called Point of Order that trustees may have to abstain because of a conflict of interest or may not have enough information.

Chair Luckham did not disagree.

4.2.3 2022 Elections Agreements with Regional Districts – RFD

DLS Marlor spoke to the request for decision as presented.

TC-2022-041

It was Moved by Trustee Stamford and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,

That the Islands Trust Council agree to enter into service contracts with the Boards of the Regional District of Nanaimo, Comox Valley Regional District, Cowichan Valley Regional District, qathet Regional District, Sunshine Coast Regional District, and Capital Regional District for the purpose of sharing the costs of conducting elections, and;

That Islands trust Council authorize the Chair and Director, Legislative Services to sign the service agreements on behalf of Council that will be substantially similar to the attached template.

CARRIED

4.2.4 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Islands Trust Council Bylaw and Model Bylaw – RFD

Trustee Dodds left the meeting at 3:21 p.m. and returned at 3:31 p.m.

DLS Marlor spoke to the request for decision as presented.

TC-2022-042

It was Moved by Trustee Fast and Seconded by Trustee Stamford,

That Trust Council Bylaw No. 188, cited as "Trust Council Bylaw No. 188, 2022" be given First reading.

CARRIED

TC-2022-043

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Fast,

That Trust Council Bylaw No. 188, cited as "Trust Council Bylaw No. 188, 2022" be given Second reading.

CARRIED

TC-2022-044

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,

That Trust Council Bylaw No. 188, cited as "Trust Council Bylaw No. 188, 2022" be given Third reading.

CARRIED

TC-2022-045

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Fast,

That Trust Council request all local trust committees to consider adoption of a new Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy bylaw based on the model bylaw.

CARRIED

Trust Council addressed item 4.2.6 next.

4.2.6 Establish a Standing Governance Committee of Trust Council – RFD

The trustee sponsored request for decision (RFD) was presented by Trustee Middleton.

TC-2022-046

It was Moved by Trustee Middleton and Seconded by Trustee McConchie,

That a standing Governance Committee of Trust Council be established per Terms of Reference and Draft Policy attached with inaugural members elected June 23rd by Trust Council. The inaugural committee will finalize relevant policy and prepare a list of initial recommendations for use by next Council term's Governance Committee members.

Discussion ensued.

TC-2022-047

It was Moved by Trustee Fast and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,
That motion TC-2022-046 be amended to insert the words “the draft” before
the words “terms of reference”.

DEFEATED

Trustee Thorn joined the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

TC-2022-048

It was Moved by Trustee Fast and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,
Amend motion TC-2022-046 that the word “select” be replaced with the word
“standing” and that the motion be severed after the word established.

Chair Luckham ruled motion TC-2022-048 was not in order as it would
substantially change the motion’s intent.

TC-2022-049

It was Moved by Trustee Kaile and Seconded by Trustee Wright,
That motion TC-2022-046 be amended by replacing "elected" with "who
volunteer at".

DEFEATED

TC-2022-050

It was Moved by Trustee Patrick and Seconded by Trustee Fast,
That motion TC-2022-046 be severed after the word established.

CARRIED

TC-2022-051

It was Moved by Trustee Middleton and Seconded by Trustee Peterson,
That a standing Governance Committee of Trust Council be established.

CARRIED

Trust Council discussed the rest of the severed motion as presented:

“Per Terms of Reference and Draft Policy attached with inaugural
members elected June 23rd by Trust Council. The inaugural committee
will finalize relevant policy and prepare a list of initial recommendations
for use by next Council term’s Governance Committee members.”

TC-2022-052

It was Moved by Trustee Scott and Seconded by Trustee Fenton,
That Trust Council approve the severed motion as amended to read: The
Standing Governance Committee create a terms of reference (TOR) and draft
policy.

CARRIED

TC-2022-053

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Allen,

Amend TC-2022-052 to add “And that the Standing Governance Committee be composed of seven members elected by Trust Council on June 23rd.”

CARRIED

The meeting recessed for a break at 5:17 p.m.

5. ENGAGEMENT

Chair Luckham reconvened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed members of the public attending electronically and watching live stream. It was noted there were 23 live stream views during this evening session.

5.1 Delegations

5.1.1 Denman Island Climate Action Network - Patti Willis

A PowerPoint presentation was shown requesting Trust Council endorse the call for a Fossil fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty.

5.1.2 Friends of the Gulf Islands - Maxine Leichter

Presented a petition with 800 signatures requesting Trust Council give priority to the protection of the natural environment in all land use planning decisions as updates to the Islands Trust Policy Statement are under consideration.

5.1.3 Rewrite of the Trust Policy Statement - Michael Sketch

Spoke to his submission regarding Islands Trust governance, administration, legislation and draft rewrites of the Islands Trust Policy Statement.

5.1.4 Requests for Council's Consideration - Jacinthe Eastick

Endorsed the call to create a standing Governance Committee and requested a federation-wide definition of “residential density.”

5.2 Public Comments

Mary Beth Rondeau and Mairead Boland congratulated Trust Council on the creation of its new Governance Committee and endorsed the request for a provincial review.

Teresa Clinton from Denman/K'ómoks spoke in support of the delegation request, that Trust Council endorse the call for a Fossil fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Jacinthe Eastick, Gabriola Island, spoke to the Local Government Act regarding housing agreements, public hearings and bylaw amendments.

Michael Sketch encouraged Trust Council to address some of its governance issues internally before asking the province for a review.

Chair Luckham heard no more requests to address Trust Council and recessed the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

There were two members of the public attending electronically when the meeting started. It was noted there were 82 live stream views on June 22.

At 9:01 a.m., Chair Luckham reconvened the meeting with acknowledgment the meeting was being conducted electronically from the lands of Ləkʷəŋən speaking People, of the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations.

There were 21 trustees present when the meeting started, absent were Trustees Wright, Thorn, Morrison, McConchie, Busheikin (regrets).

Chair Luckham continued with the agenda as reordered by motion **TC-2022-037**.

4.2.5 Review and Implementation of recommendations from the Governance Review, 2022 – Briefing

CAO Hotsenpiller spoke to the briefing as presented.

TC-2022-054

It was Moved by Trustee Patrick and Seconded by Trustee Brent,

That Trust Council request the staff report 4.2.5 “Review and Implementation of recommendations from the Governance Review, 2022 – Briefing” be referred to the Governance Committee for consideration.

CARRIED

There was no objection when Chair Luckham addressed the March Trust Council tabled motion **TC-2022-001/002**, as now superseded by Trust Council’s work through yesterday’s motions **TC-2022-051, 052 & 053**.

6. TRUST AREA SERVICES

6.1 Consent Agenda Items

By general consent, Trust Council adopted the recommendations as presented in items 6.1.1 to 6.1.3.

6.1.1 Trust Programs Committee Work Program Report

That Trust Council approve the report as presented.

6.1.2 Islands Trust Community Stewardship Awards – Briefing

Receive for information.

6.1.3 Species at Risk Program Funding and Workshop – Briefing

Receive for information.

6.2 Discussion / Decision Items

6.2.1 Director of Trust Area Services Report

DTAS Frater spoke to the report as presented.

Discussion regarding Policy 2.1.14 History, Heritage and Conservation Grants-in-aid ensued noting the budget has been spent for 2022/23.

DTAS Frater to amend item 6.2.4, the draft Annual Report, “Grants-in-Aid for History, Heritage and Conservation” adding that grant applications were received for the 2021/22 year with no funds dispersed.

6.2.2 Manager of Islands Trust Conservancy (ITC) Report

ITC Manager Emmings introduced Chair Stamford who spoke to the report as presented.

Manager Emmings explained the sensitivities in mapping bull-kelp regarding a question about its decline.

6.2.3 Policy Statement Engagement Summary Reports and Next Steps – RFD

Amanda Kaiser, Community Engagement Manger with ISL Engineering spoke to the PowerPoint (see Trust Council Quarterly meeting addendum item 6.2.3.1) titled Islands 2050 Phase 3 Engagement Summary.

DTAS Frater introduced the request for decision (RFD).

Discussion ensued on possible amendments to the draft Trust Policy Statement Bylaw No. 183.

TC-2022-055

It was Moved by Trustee Critchley and Seconded by Trustee Dodds,
That Trust Council request staff to reformat the draft Trust Policy Statement to separate the mandatory directive policies from the remainder of the text.

TC-2022-056

It was Moved by Trustee Patrick and Seconded by Trustee Fast,

That motion **TC-2022-055** be amended to add “to simplify the structure and shorten the length to improve readability and understanding, for example” following “Trust Policy Statement” so that it reads:

“....reformat the draft Trust Policy Statement to simplify the structure and shorten the length to improve readability and understanding, for example, separate the mandatory directive policies...”

Vice-Chair Rogers call Point of Order that the amendment significantly changes the original motion. Chair Luckham did not agree with the Point of Order. Discussion ensued, the question then called.

CARRIED

TC-2022-055 (as amended by TC-2022-056)

That Trust Council request staff to reformat the draft Trust Policy Statement to simplify the structure and shorten the length to improve readability and understanding, for example, separate the mandatory directive policies from the remainder of the text.

CARRIED

TC-2022-057

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Allen,

That staff rewrite the policies to remove desalination from the draft policy statement.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed for a break at 11:10 a.m. and reconvened at 11:25 a.m.

6.2.3 Policy Statement Engagement Summary Reports and Next Steps – RFD

Trust Council continued discussion on potential amendments to draft Bylaw No. 183 Trust Policy Statement.

TC-2022-058

It was Moved by Trustee Luckham and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,

That Trust Council requests staff to include from the report (agenda package page 155) items 1.8, and 1.10 (First Nations Early & Meaningful Engagement) in the draft Policy Statement.

CARRIED

TC-2022-059

It was Moved by Trustee Rogers and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,

That staff be requested to develop a Glossary of Terms used in the Trust Policy Statement to be an appendix to that document.

CARRIED

TC-2022-060

It was Moved by Trustee Middleton and Seconded by Trustee Wright,

That Trust Council request staff to provide options for draft policy language for the draft Policy Statement to encourage preservation of forest cover in the Trust Area, this will include reference to sustainable forest management practices.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:25 p.m. then reconvened at 1:00 p.m. There were approximately 8-10 members of the public in attendance electronically when the meeting resumed.

Chair Luckham welcomed the scheduled 1:00 p.m. session, a presentation by the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority.

5.3 Port Optimization Initiative Session Outline/Presentation

Captain Shri Madiwal gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Port of Vancouver's early engagement results and planned next steps for further public engagement on its active vessel traffic management plan. (See Trust Council Quarterly meeting addendum package item 5.3)

Chair Luckham thanked the presenters then continued with agenda item 6.2.3.

6.2.3 Policy Statement Engagement Summary Reports and Next Steps – RFD

TC-2022-061

It was Moved by Trustee Colbourne and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,

That Trust Council reaffirm its Reconciliation Declaration of March 2019 and its inherent commitment to be responsive to First Nations engagement on the Trust Policy Statement as dictated by the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

CARRIED

TC-2022-062

It was Moved by Trustee Fenton and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,

That Trust Council directs that all recommendations for policies related to the Policy Statement are rooted in both current and emerging western science and Indigenous Knowledge.

Trustee Morrison joined the meeting at 1:54 p.m.

DEFEATED

TC-2022-063

It was Moved by Trustee Fast and Seconded by Trustee Allen,

That Trust Council request Trust Programs Committee to review recent engagement feedback from First Nations, referral agencies, and the public, and resolutions passed by June 2022 Trust Council and work with staff to develop recommendations for further amendments to the draft new Islands Trust Policy Statement Bylaw No. 183, and forward recommendations to Executive Committee for inclusion in the September 2022 Trust Council package.

CARRIED

6.2.4 2021/22 Draft Annual Report – RFD

DTAS Frater presented the request for decision.

Amend the draft Annual Report as discussed under item 6.2.1.

TC-2022-064

It was Moved by Trustee Peterson and Seconded by Trustee Brent,

That the Islands Trust Council approves the 2020/21 Draft Annual Report, as amended, for submission to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES / FINANCE

7.1 Consent Agenda Items

By general consent, Islands Trust Council adopted the recommendations as presented in items 7.1.1 to 7.1.4.

7.1.1 Financial Planning Committee Work Program Report

That Trust Council approve the report as presented.

7.1.2 March 31, 2022 Fiscal Year Financial Results – Briefing

Receive for information.

7.1.3 March 31, 2022 Allocated Financial Statements – Briefing

Receive for information.

7.1.4 March 31, 2022 Audited Financial Statements of the Islands Trust Conservancy – Briefing

Receive for information.

7.2 Discussion / Decision Items

7.2.1 Director of Administrative Services (DAS) Report

Acting DAS Boden spoke to the report as presented.

7.2.2 March 31, 2022 Islands Trust Audited Financial Statements and Audit Report - RFD

Acting DAS Boden spoke to the request for decision (RFD).

TC-2022-065

It was Moved by Trustee Grove and Seconded by Trustee Brent,

That Trust Council approve the audited financial statements of the Islands Trust including the Statement of Financial Position, the Statement of Operations, the Statement of Changes in Net Financial Assets, and the Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended March 31, 2022.

CARRIED

8. LOCAL PLANNING SERVICES

Trustee McConchie joined the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

8.1 Consent Agenda Items

By general consent, Trust Council adopted the recommendation as presented in item 8.1.1.

8.1.1 Regional Planning Committee Work Program Report

That Trust Council approve the report as presented.

8.2 Discussion / Decision Items

8.2.1 Director of Local Planning Services Report

DLS Marlor spoke to the report as presented.

8.2.2 Policy 5.9.1 Best Management Practices for Delivery of Local Planning Services to Local Trust Committees (amendments) - RFD

Regional Planning Manager (RPM) Kauer presented a PowerPoint to introduce the request for decision (RFD).

TC-2022-066

It was Moved by Trustee Rogers and Seconded by Trustee Critchley,

That draft policy 5.9.1 be amended by adding the words “unless a LTC requests that they be provided” to the end of paragraph 6.2.

CARRIED

TC-2022-067

It was Moved by Trustee Fast and Seconded by Trustee Middleton,
That Trust Council approve amended Policy “5.9.1 Best Management Practices for Delivery of Local Planning Services to Local Trust Committees” as shown in Attachment 1 and amended by motion TC-2022-006.

CARRIED

Trustee Wright left the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

8.2.3 Delegation of Development Permits – RFD

Regional Planning Manager (RPM) Kojima spoke to the request for decision (RFD).

TC-2022-068

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Langereis,
That Trust Council adopt the draft ‘Land Use Permit Delegation Policy’ and that local trust committees be requested to consider adopting delegation bylaws.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed for a break at 3:05 p.m. and reconvened at 3:20 p.m.

8.2.4 Eelgrass and Kelp Mapping Projects Final Reports - RFD

DLS Marlor spoke to the request for decision (RFD).

TC-2022-069

It was Moved by Trustee Allen and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,
That Trust Council refer the “Shoreline Polygon Mapping Summary Report: Eelgrass in the Islands Trust Area” and “Shoreline Polygon Mapping Summary Report: Bull Kelp in the Islands Trust Area” both dated March 2022 to local trust committees and Bowen Island Municipality, with a cover briefing/letter, for consideration in their land use planning decisions.

CARRIED

8.2.5 North Pender Local Trust Committee (NP LTC) Fees Bylaw – Briefing

NP LTC members spoke to the briefing and request for plain language speaking notes/communications regarding the fee increases in the model bylaw.

TC-2022-070

It was Moved by Trustee Morrison and Seconded by Trustee McConchie,
That the Trust Council direct staff to provide communication materials for understanding the changes in fees.

CARRIED

9. TRUSTEES REQUEST FOR DECISIONS

9.1 Provincial Review of Islands Trust – RFD

The request for decision (RFD) was presented by Trustee Brent.

TC-2022-071

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Colbourne,

That Trust Council request the Lieutenant Governor in Council for the Province of British Columbia to conduct a review of the Islands Trust's mandate, governance and structure.

CARRIED

TC-2022-072

It was Moved by Trustee Colbourne and Seconded by Trustee Brent,

That the Islands Trust Chair, on behalf of Council, submit a letter to the Lieutenant Governor in Council making the review request under Section 8(2)(e) of the Islands Trust Act that outlines the potential scope of a review, including, but not limited to:

- a. An assessment of the optimum governance model to preserve and protect the Trust area pursuant to the Province's vision for the future of the Trust area.
- b. The object of the Islands Trust Act and clarification of the mandate of the organization.
- c. The governance structure of the organization.
- d. The alignment of decision-making processes and structures with the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act.
- e. The geographic scope of the organization and in particular authority over marine areas.
- f. The funding mechanisms provided to the organization in light of a clarified mandate.

CARRIED

9.2 Advocacy for Legislation to Protect Biological Diversity and Ecosystem Health - RFD

Trustee Rockafella presented the request for decision.

TC-2022-073

It was Moved by Trustee Rockafella and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,

That Trust Council call on the Province of British Columbia, in partnership with Indigenous leadership, to develop and communicate in a timely way the process and timelines through which they will develop new legislation to protect and restore biological diversity and ecosystem health, in a manner consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and with the involvement of local governments, civil society groups, Indigenous and scientific experts, and the concerned public.

CARRIED

TC-2022-074

It was Moved by Trustee Rogers and Seconded by Trustee Rockafella,

That Trust Council request the Chair to submit a resolution to Union of British Columbia Municipalities September 2022 convention concerning a request to the Province for new legislation to protect and restore biological diversity and ecosystem health.

CARRIED

Chair Luckham discussed the elections process for the Governance Committee being held tomorrow.

By general consent, at 5:05 p.m. the meeting recessed for the day.

Thursday, June 23, 2022

It was reported that there were 31 livestream views on June 23rd with 2-3 public in attendance electronically.

Chair Luckham opened the meeting to the public at 9:02 a.m. giving a summary of the order of business remaining on the agenda.

24 trustees were deemed present. Trustee Thorn – absent; Trustee Busheikin – regrets.

10. CLOSED MEETING

At 9:07 a.m., the meeting was closed to the public.

TC-2022-075

It was Moved by Trustee Rogers and Seconded by Trustee Fast,

That the meeting be closed to the public subject to Sections 90(1)(b) and (k) of the Community Charter in order to consider matters of personal information about identifiable individuals who are being considered for a municipal award and, negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public and, that staff attend the meeting.

CARRIED

At 10:30 a.m., the meeting was reopened to the public. Chair Luckham welcomed those in attendance and those viewing the live stream.

12. COLLABORATION / PRESENTATION

12.1 Proposed National Marine Conservation Area Reserve (NMCAR) for the Southern Strait of Georgia

James Gordon and Raven August from Parks Canada presented a PowerPoint titled “Briefing and Discussion Proposed SSG NMCAR Update and Next Steps”.

Question and answer discussion followed.

11. RISE AND REPORT

Chair Luckham reported that the minutes of the November/December 2021 Trust Council in-camera meeting were adopted as presented and announced the recipients of the 2022 Community Stewardship Awards as follows: **Individual Category** - Keith Erickson, Galiano Island; Jeanine Georgeson, Galiano Island; Will Husby, Bowen Island; Kees Ruurs, Salt Spring Island; Ruth Waldick, Salt Spring Island; **Organization Category** - Salt Spring Natural Cemetery, Salt Spring Island; **Other Category** - Chris Straw (Posthumous Nomination), Gabriola Island.

13. NEW BUSINESS

Nominations and Election of Governance Committee Members

DLS Marlor reviewed the resolutions passed yesterday (TC-2022-051, 052 & 053) and the nominations/election process.

Nominations for Governance Committee membership were held.

TC-2022-076

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Langereis,

To nominate Trustee Middleton for the Governance Committee.

Trustee Middleton agreed to stand.

TC-2022-077

It was Moved by Trustee Wolverton and Seconded by Trustee Rogers,

To nominate Trustee Rockafella for the Governance Committee.

Trustee Rockafella agreed to stand.

TC-2022-078

It was Moved by Trustee Patrick and Seconded by Trustee Wolverton,

To nominate Trustee Stamford for the Governance Committee.

Trustee Stamford agreed to stand.

TC-2022-079

It was Moved by Trustee Stamford and Seconded by Trustee Rockafella,

To nominate Trustee Peterson for the Governance Committee.

Trustee Peterson agreed to stand.

TC-2022-080

It was Moved by Trustee Langereis and Seconded by Trustee Fast,

To nominate Trustee Scott for the Governance Committee.

Trustee Scott declined to stand.

TC-2022-081

It was Moved by Trustee Middleton and Seconded by Trustee Brent,

To nominate Trustee Patrick for the Governance Committee.

Trustee Patrick agreed to stand.

TC-2022-082

It was Moved by Trustee Middleton and Seconded by Trustee Brent,
To nominate Trustee Langereis for the Governance Committee.
Trustee Langereis agreed to stand.

TC-2022-083

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Langereis,
To nominate Trustee Critchley for the Governance Committee.
Trustee Critchley declined to stand.

TC-2022-084

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Allen,
To nominate Trustee Kaile for the Governance Committee.
Trustee Kaile agreed to stand.

TC-2022-085

It was Moved by Trustee Luckham and Seconded by Trustee Rogers,
To nominate Trustee Fenton for the Governance Committee.
Trustee Fenton agreed to stand.

TC-2022-086

It was Moved by Trustee Brent and Seconded by Trustee Langereis,
To nominate Trustee Allen for the Governance Committee.
Trustee Allen agreed to stand.

TC-2022-087

It was Moved by Trustee Patrick and Seconded by Trustee Critchley,
To nominate Trustee Rogers for the Governance Committee.
Trustee Rogers declined to stand.

DLS Marlor called 3 more times for any further nominations, hearing none he announced there were 9 trustees standing for membership on the Governance Committee and that an election would proceed after the nomination and election of a scrutineer.

TC-2022-088

It was Moved by Trustee Peterson and Seconded by Trustee Langereis,
To nominate Trustee Wolverton, who agreed to stand, as scrutineer.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed for a break at 11:35 a.m. and reconvened at 11:45 a.m.

The 9 nominated trustees were each given the opportunity to speak to why they chose to stand for the Governance Committee.

After the 9 trustees presented, DLS Marlor emailed all 26 trustees the electronic voting ballots.

The meeting recessed for 10 minutes while the scrutineer and staff determined the election results.

Director of Legislative Services (DLS) Marlor announced the 7 trustees elected to the Governance Committee as follows, in no particular and random order: Trustees Rockafella, Middleton, Allen, Stamford, Patrick, Langereis, and Peterson.

CAO Hotsenpiller will follow-up with the Governance Committee regarding next administrative steps and its inaugural meeting.

TC-2022-089

It was Moved by Trustee Wolverton and Seconded by Trustee Colbourne,
That Trust Council members be asked to forward their comments on the Governance Review Report to the new standing Governance Committee.

CARRIED

14. SUMMARY/UPDATES

14.1 Trustee Updates

14.1.1 BC Ferries Advisory Committee Chairs

Trustee Patrick noted that some BC Ferries board and executive team members were on Salt Spring recently, liaising with the community.

14.1.2 First Nations

Trustee Colbourne spoke about Gabriola Island Local Trust Committee's work on a housing agreement project regarding Snuneymuxw First Nation interests, Elder Geraldine Manson's/C'tasi:a recently launched book titled "Snuneymuxw History Written in Places and Spaces: Ancestor's Voices — An Echo in Time" and finally presenting to her, Islands Trust 2019 Community Stewardship Award in-person, delayed due to COVID.

14.1.2.1 Xwe-etay/Lasqueti Archaeology Project - Trustee Johnston

Chair Luckham thanked Trustee Johnston for his written submission, received for information.

14.1.3 Gulf Islands National Park Reserve Advisory Committee (GINPRAC)

Trustee Middleton noted that no meaningful outreach has occurred between GINPRAC and First Nations but that a trustee should continue to be appointed to GINPRAC each term while the Saturna Parks Liaison Committee continues to work with the National Park's superintendent.

Continue to note that this role is a trustee appointment and to flag this item after the local government election.

14.1.4 Salt Spring Island Watershed Protection Alliance (SSIWPA)

Trustee Patrick noted that SSIWPA strategic planning is underway to create coordinated planning activities with a number of agencies with logos.

14.1.5 Atl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Community Forum (A/HSCF)

Trustee Rogers reported that the A/HSCF subsumed administratively with the UNESCO Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Biosphere Reserve which is looking for funding.

14.1.6 Southern Gulf Islands Forum

Trustee Wolverton noted the forum continues to meet however the most recent meeting, regarding anchorages, was postponed.

14.1.7 Baynes Sound Forum (BSF)

Trustee Critchley described a recently held BSF where Minister Osborne, of the new Ministry of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship (as well as Fisheries) attended. He urged trustees to read the minister's mandate letter, create staff-to-staff relationships and review its new coastal marine strategy. Also, two presentations on herring were received and a Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) project with K'ómoks First Nation called Area-Based Aquaculture Management was discussed.

Trustee Scott mentioned presenter Denise Smith, Sliammon First Nation (Tla'amin Nation) who attended the forum and recognized the senior herring managers from DFO who also attended.

Trustee Kaile left the meeting at 12:27 p.m.

14.1.8 Freighter Anchorages Update

Chair Luckham referenced yesterday's Port Authority presentation, item 5.3.

14.2 Trust Council Priorities Chart

Received for information.

14.3 Proposed September Trust Council Agenda Program

The draft 3-day schedule was received for information.

It was suggested to hold a longer trustee roundtable discussion/session and for trustees to send in agenda item requests to Executive Committee.

14.4 Disposition of Delegations and Public Comment Requests

Regarding item 5.1.1 Denman Island Climate Action Network - Patti Willis delegation presentation.

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It was Moved by Trustee Critchley and Seconded by Trustee Fenton,

That the Islands Trust formally endorse the call for a Fossil fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty, and further that the Chair on behalf of Trust Council, send a letter to the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premier of B.C. urging the Canadian and B.C. governments to support the global initiative for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty.

CARRIED

15. STRATEGIC PLAN (Amendments) - None

16. CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence, items 16.1 to 16.7, were received for information.

16.1 Gulf Islands Alliance re: Governance Review letter dated March 29, 2022

16.2 Gulf Islands Alliance re: Governance Review email dated May 17, 2022

16.3 Minister Alghabra re: concerns about air pollution scrubbing and dumping from vessels in Canadian waters email dated May 19, 2022

16.4 H. Holm submission to June 21-23, 2022 Trust Council dated June 2, 2022

16.5 M. Rondeau re: June 8th EC Support for Letter to Lieutenant Governor email dated June 5, 2022

16.6 M. Gang re: RFD suggesting a letter to the BC Lieutenant Governor email dated June 5, 2022

Same letter received from R. McCuaig, Denman Island June 5, 2022

16.7 G. Leroux re: Governance Proposals EC MTG email dated June 7, 2022

17. NEXT MEETING

The next Trust Council quarterly meeting is scheduled for September 20 -22, 2022 to be held electronically.

18. ADJOURNMENT

By general consent, the meeting was adjourned at 12:43 p.m.

Peter Luckham, Chair

Certified Correct

Lori Foster, Executive Coordinator/Recorder