



## Trust Programs Committee Minutes of a Regular Meeting

**Date:** November 5, 2020  
**Location:** Electronic Meeting

**Members Present:** Deb Morrison, North Pender Island Local Trustee (Chair)  
Scott Colbourne, Gabriola Island Local Trustee (Vice Chair)  
Paul Brent, Saturna Island Local Trustee  
David Critchley, Denman Island Local Trustee  
Doug Fenton, Thetis Island Local Trustee  
Michael Kaile, Bowen Island Municipal Trustee  
Kees Langereis, Gabriola Island Local Trustee  
Benjamin McConchie, North Pender Island Local Trustee  
Timothy Peterson, Lasqueti Island Local Trustee  
Dan Rogers, Gambier Island Local Trustee (EC Representative)  
Peter Luckham, Islands Trust Council Chair (Ex Officio)

**Staff Present:** Clare Frater, Director, Trust Area Services  
Dilani Hippola, Senior Policy Advisor  
Lisa Wilcox, Senior Intergovernmental Policy Advisor  
Gillian Nicol, Program Coordinator  
Robert Barlow, Legislative Services Clerk/Recorder

**Members of the Public** None

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Chair Morrison acknowledged with respect that attendees of the meeting are able to gather in locations across the Coast Salish First Nations traditional and treaty territory.

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### 2.1 Introduction of New Items

The following additions were presented for consideration:

- Item 8.1 – Correspondence from Rural Islands Economic Partnership Board to Islands Trust re: Salish Sea Forum;
- Item 8.2 – Correspondence from Capital Regional District to Trust Programs Committee re: Southern Gulf Islands Forum – CRD Participation;
- Item 8.3 – Correspondence from Trustee Steve Wright to Trust Programs Committee re: Use of the Word “Amenity”;
- Item 8.4 – Correspondence from Wayne Quinn to Trustees Paul Brent and Lee Middleton re: Islands Trust Core Object Amendment and Community Stewardship Awards Program.

**2.2 Approval of Agenda**

By general consent the agenda was approved as amended.

**3. TOWN HALL AND DELEGATIONS**

None

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES/COORDINATION**

**4.1 Minutes of Meeting**

4.1.1 Trust Programs Committee Minutes of October 20, 2020

By general consent the Trust Programs Committee Minutes of October 20, 2020, were adopted as presented.

**4.2 Resolutions Without Meeting**

None

**4.3 Follow Up Action List**

Director Frater provided an update about the items that were currently in progress.

**4.4 Trust Programs Committee 2021 Meeting Schedule**

**TPC-2020-061**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee request the Gabriola Island Local Trust Committee amend their tentative schedule by moving their April 8, 2021 meeting date to avoid a conflict with the Trust Programs Committee scheduled meeting of the same date.

**CARRIED**

**5. ECOSYSTEM-BASED MANAGEMENT TRAINING SESSION**

Committee members, along with other Trustees, participated in a training session on the topic of Ecosystem-Based Management led by Tine Rossing of Ecolibrio Consulting.

The meeting recessed at 12:00 noon and resumed at 12:31 p.m. Trustee McConchie did not return to the meeting.

**6. TRUST COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**6.1 Policy Statement Amendment Project Charter Version 3 - RFD**

Senior Policy Advisor Hippola introduced the Request For Decision. The revised project charter includes an updated timeline.

**TPC-2020-062**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee recommend that Executive Committee approve the Policy Statement Amendment Project Charter Version 3.

**CARRIED**

## **6.2 Policy Statement Amendment Project Update - Briefing**

Senior Policy Advisor Hippola introduced the Briefing that has identified questions for the Committee in regards how best to frame a discussion regarding the Policy Statement Amendment Project at the December Trust Council meeting.

Discussion included:

- What does the Committee wish Trust Council to discuss or decide?
- Should it be simply to invite open discussion?
- What does “unique amenities” mean in the context of the Policy Statement Amendment Project?
- What does “unique amenities” not include?
- Framing a specific question may limit discussion and it may focus the discussion.
- What does “sustain island character and healthy communities” mean?
- Should Climate Change, Housing and Reconciliation be the focus of the discussion?
- Trust Council will likely find any recommendations from the Committee to be helpful.
- Next step is to provide to the public the What We Learned report.
- A draft bylaw will be presented at a Committee meeting early next year.

## **6.3 Incorporating Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Calls for Justice (MMIWGCFJ) into Policy Statement Amendments - Briefing**

Senior Intergovernmental Policy Advisor Wilcox introduced the Briefing that has been provided to the Executive Committee. This initiative stems from the Union of BC Municipalities asking local government to review the MMIWGCFJ. The Executive Committee adopted six recommendations in this regard on October 21, 2020. These recommendations could be used as values and guiding principles in work on housing, advocacy, infrastructure, transportation and communication. The Reconciliation working group will be addressing the referred Calls For Justice.

**By general consent** the order of business was changed to address item #7.3 before #7.1.

## **7. BUSINESS**

### **7.3 Secretariat Services to Regional Forums - RFD**

This agenda item is continued from the October 20, 2020 meeting, to review previously considered opportunities for secretariat support for regional forums in the Islands Trust Area. Discussion involved the following points:

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- The request for support for the Southern Gulf Islands initiative and the Coastal Douglas-fir Conservation Partnership.
- Should secretariat support be for forums that cover all of the Trust Area?
- Do these forums have other sources of support?
- Should secretariat support be for forums that are well established and/or initially forming?
- Can secretariat support be for only one meeting?

Chair Morrison left at 1:32 p.m. and Vice Chair Colbourne assumed the Chair.

### **TPC-2020-063**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee allocate \$3,000 to initiate the Southern Gulf Islands Regional Forum.

**CARRIED**

### **TPC-2020-064**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee allocate \$800 to support the coordination of the Coastal Douglas-fir Conservation Project.

**CARRIED**

Director Marlor joined the meeting at 1:54 p.m.

#### **7.1 Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) Road Standards - Briefing**

Director Marlor spoke to the briefing, noting that the current Letter of Understanding with MOTI limits various planning features that local trust committees (LTCs) would like to see in their communities such as road calming, options for alternative transportation, and heritage protection concerns. Any change to the agreement will require support from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Issues related to road size, jurisdiction, public guidelines, and ability for Islands Trust to enter into a Licence of occupation agreement were discussed. Road standards are province-wide and may not be suitable for the Islands Trust Area.

### **TPC-2020-065**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee request staff to investigate options for a joint review with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure of road standards, incorporating the Climate Change Declaration and the Reconciliation Declaration, and report back to Trust Programs Committee.

**CARRIED**

#### **7.2 Climate Change Stewardship Education Program - RFD**

Director Frater presented the RFD, indicating that the recommendations would further efforts to advance stewardship education in the Trust Area. It was noted that there were numerous land transactions in the Trust Area in the current year that has resulted in many new landowners who may not be aware of Islands Trust. Director Frater

**ADOPTED**

suggested that the annual property tax assessment notices will also be a means to send information to property owners in the future.

Chair Morrison returned at 2:40 p.m.

**TPC-2020-066**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee direct staff to develop a project charter for a “Living in the Islands Trust Area” program.

**CARRIED**

Director Frater also noted that the webinar education program conducted this year was well received and that there is a desire for similar webinars with an indigenous perspective.

**TPC-2020-067**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee recommend to Executive Committee that they undertake an extension to the climate change speaker series with an Indigenous perspective.

**CARRIED**

**7.4 Amending the Policy Statement Amendment Policy 1.2.1 - RFD**

Trustee Peterson presented his Trustee RFD, indicating that he would like to do further work on developing an RFD which he intends to bring forward to the March 2021 Trust Council meeting.

**TPC-2020-068**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee request staff to work with Trustee Peterson to refine the Amending the Policy Statement Amendment Policy 1.2.1. RFD, and bring it back to Trust Programs Committee before the March, 2021 Trust Council meeting.

**CARRIED**

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**8.1 Rural Islands Economic Partnership re: Salish Sea Forum - letter dated November 2, 2020**

Received for information.

**8.2 CRD re: Southern Gulf Islands Forum – CRD Participation - letter dated November 2, 2020**

Received for information.

**ADOPTED**

**8.3 Local Trustee Steve Wright re: Use of the Word “Amenity” - letter dated November 3, 2020**

Received for information.

**8.4 Wayne Quinn re: Islands Trust Core Object Amendment and Community Stewardship Awards Program - letter dated November 4, 2020**

**TPC-2020-069**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

that Trust Programs Committee remove the correspondence from Wayne Quinn from the agenda.

**CARRIED**

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

No other correspondence

**10. WORK PROGRAM**

**10.1 Trust Programs Committee Work Program**

**By general consent** the Work Program is accepted as presented.

**11. NEXT MEETING**

The next scheduled meeting will take place on Friday, February 5, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**By general consent** the meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

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Deb Morrison, Chair

Certified Correct:

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Robert Barlow, Legislative Services Clerk/Recorder