



Trust Programs Committee Minutes of a Special Meeting

Date: May 3, 2021
Location: Electronic Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Deb Morrison, North Pender Island Local Trustee (Chair)
Paul Brent, Saturna Island Local Trustee
Scott Colbourne, Gabriola 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: Russ Hotsenpiller, CAO
Clare Frater, Director, Trust Area Services
David Marlor, Director, Local Planning Services
Dilani Hippola, Senior Policy Advisor
Lisa Wilcox, Senior Intergovernmental Policy Advisor
William Shulba, Senior Freshwater Specialist
Robert Barlow, Legislative Services Clerk/Recorder

Others Present: Laura Patrick, Salt Spring Island Local Trustee
Sue Ellen Fast, Bowen Island Municipal Trustee
Nine members of the public

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Chair Morrison acknowledged that the meeting was being held in the traditional and treaty territory of the Coast Salish First Nations.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2.1 New Items and Re-Ordering of the Agenda

None

2.2 Approval of Agenda

By general consent the agenda was approved.

3. TOWN HALL AND DELEGATIONS

3.1 Town Hall

ADOPTED

Jacinte Eastick, Michael Sketch and Maxine Leichter spoke individually to the Committee in regards to the Policy Statement Amendment Project.

3.2 Delegations

None

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES/COORDINATION

4.1 Minutes of Meeting

4.1.1 Trust Programs Committee minutes of April 8, 2021

The Committee requested that the minutes note that the April 8th meeting was originally scheduled to end at noon but that the meeting would continue provided that quorum was maintained and that some trustees had other commitments to honour based on that original scheduled end time and would have to leave the meeting prior to adjournment.

By general consent the minutes were approved as amended.

4.2 Resolutions Without Meeting

None

4.3 Follow Up Action List

Director Frater provided an update in regards to the items that are in progress, noting that the Policy Statement Amendment Project and development of the new website have been the focus of work for staff and staff continue work with provincial staff in relation to Crown land agreements.

5. TRUST COUNCIL BUSINESS

5.1 Policy Statement Amendment Project - First Draft of New Policy Statement Bylaw - Briefing

Senior Policy Advisor Hippola provided a presentation and the Committee requested that a digital copy of the presentation be made available to committee members. It was noted that the material will be presented to other committees and feedback will be incorporated into future versions.

Discussion included the need or feasibility to define a number of topics and concepts and where those definitions could be expressed in the bylaw.

ADOPTED

The Committee recessed at 5:25 p.m. and reconvened at 5:33 p.m.

Discussion continued in regards to whether the following topics and concepts were addressed appropriately:

- coordination or collaboration with other agencies
- inclusive communities
- equity
- diversity
- amenities
- development limits
- freshwater and rainwater collection
- preserve and protect the natural environment
- cultural heritage sites
- carrying capacity
- affordable housing
- sustainability
- agriculture

Discussion also included consideration of whether there is more time required for trustee review of the draft bylaw prior to first reading. Trustee Brent expressed his concern that the timelines for the review process are too compact, particularly as he wishes to consult with the Saturna Island community.

It was requested that members provide comments, concerns or suggested edits to the first draft of the new Policy Statement Bylaw in writing to staff by May 9.

6. NEW BUSINESS

None

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. WORK PROGRAM

8.1 Trust Programs Committee Work Program

The Work Program was not reviewed.

9. NEXT MEETING

Friday, May 14, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

ADOPTED

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It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that Trust Programs Committee request staff to investigate potential dates for an additional Committee meeting prior to June Trust Council.

CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT

By general consent the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Deb Morrison, Chair

Certified Correct:

Robert Barlow, Legislative Services Clerk/Recorder