



Trust Programs Committee Minutes of Regular Meeting

Date of Meeting: Monday, February 3, 2014
Location: Ladysmith City Hall, 410 Esplanade (Hwy 1)

Members Present: Paul Brent, Saturna Island Local Trustee (Chair)
Alex Allen, Hornby Island Local Trustee
George Grams, Salt Spring Island Local Trustee (Vice-Chair) (by phone)
David Graham, Denman Island Local Trustee (EC Rep)
Tony Law, Hornby Island Local Trustee
Liz Montague, South Pender Island Local Trustee (by phone)
Laura Busheikin, Denman Island Local Trustee
Kate-Louise Stamford, Gambier Island Local Trustee (by phone)

Regrets: Andrew Stone, Bowen Island Local Trustee
Sheila Malcolmson, Gabriola Island Local Trustee (ex officio)
Lisa Gordon, Director, Trust Area Services

Staff Present: Clare Frater, Policy Analyst
Jas Chonk, Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

TPC-2014-001

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED**,

That the Trust Programs Committee February 3, 2014 agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES/COORDINATION

3.1 Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1.1 November 4, 2013

TPC-2014-002

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED**,

That the Trust Programs Committee Minutes of November 4, 2013 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3.2 Follow-up Action List

The follow-up action list was provided for information and review. There was no discussion.

4. TRUST COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

4.1 Briefing – BC Ferries Advocacy Research Program Update

Clare Frater, Policy Analyst, provided an update about the BC Ferries Advocacy Research Program work undertaken since Trust Program Committee's last meeting. Members discussed the results of the Freedom of Information requests.

Kate-Louise joined the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

TPC-2014-003

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

That the Trust Programs Committee remove items 123/13 and 125/13 regarding BC Ferries advocacy research from the Follow Up Action List.

CARRIED

4.2 Update – Trust Council Economic Sustainability Session

Staff requested feedback on the results of the survey sent to participants of Trust Council's Economic Sustainability Session held in December 2013.

Trustees discussed that Trust Council's Economic Sustainability Session was generally useful as a catalyst for future conversations but could have been more focused with more precise questions for presenters, that it might be appropriate in future to encourage regional districts to host a similar session and invite the Islands Trust, and that there should have been more focus on the Islands Trust's planning tools relevant to economic sustainability.

Trustees also discussed the need for better transfer of lessons learned to newly elected trustees about committee activities from the previous term.

TPC-2014-004

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

That the Trust Programs Committee request that the Trust Programs Committee Chair prepare a report highlighting the key activities of the Trust Programs Committee over the 2011-2014 term to be available to the next term's Trust Council and posted on the Islands Trust website.

CARRIED

4.3 Briefing – Community Stewardship Awards

Staff advised the Trust Programs Committee of the tasks needed to deliver the 2014 awards program. Trustees discussed the Community Stewardship Award process, and emphasized the value of trustees promoting the program on their islands.

4.4 RFD – Community Stewardship Awards 2014 Deadline Change

Staff noted that changing the 2014 Community Stewardship Award program deadline to April 16 will allow staff to better manage their workload in the short period between the deadline for nominations and the deadline for the Trust Programs Committee meeting package. This will prevent the need for overtime to maintain commitments to other projects.

TPC-2014-005

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

That the Trust Programs Committee direct staff to pilot an April 16 deadline for 2014 Community Stewardship Award applications.

CARRIED

4.5 Briefing – Advocacy Objectives Matrix

Staff provided an update about work undertaken since Trust Council's December 2013 direction to the Executive Committee to study and make recommendations to Council regarding the costs and resources necessary to create an advocacy campaign for the marine and coastal protection of the Salish Sea, and directed that all related advocacy issues such as aquaculture, oil tanker traffic, coal transport and climate change be included in this examination. Staff provided some draft matrices to assist in selecting topics and advocacy methods for future advocacy campaigns and committee members discussed them.

The Committee recessed for lunch at 12:08 p.m.

The Committee resumed the meeting at 12:23 p.m.

Trustees Busheikin, Stamford, Montague and Law offered to work with staff on the matrices.

5. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed.

6. WORK PROGRAM

6.1 Trust Programs Committee Work Program Report

TPC-2014-006

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

That the Trust Programs Committee forward its work program to the Islands Trust Council with the top three items as amended:

1. Community Stewardship Awards
2. BC Ferries advocacy program - Support engagement by Trust Council and trustees on BC Ferries issues
3. Indicator Program

with two continuing items as follows: legislative monitoring, and vacant crown land profiles.

CARRIED

7. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on May 12, 2014 in Ladysmith.

8. ADJOURNMENT

By general consent the meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Paul Brent, Chair

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Jas Chonk, Recorder