



Gambier Island Local Trust Committee Minutes of Regular Meeting

Date: May 7, 2015
Location: Gleneagles Community Centre
6262 Marine Drive, West Vancouver, BC

Members Present Susan Morrison, Chair
Kate-Louise Stamford, Local Trustee
Dan Rogers, Local Trustee

Staff Present Aleksandra Brzozowski, Island Planner (via teleconference)
Diane Corbett, Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Morrison called the meeting to order at 10:57 am. She acknowledged that the meeting was being held in the traditional territory of the Coast Salish First Nations. Trustees and staff in attendance were introduced.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following additions to the agenda were presented for consideration:

- 14.4 Howe Sound Forum Request for Decision
- 7.4.1 Discussion of possibility of using Community to Community funding for meeting with Squamish Nation
- 13.3.1 Expense Report Updated March 2015

By general consent the agenda was approved as amended.

3. TOWN HALL AND QUESTIONS

None.

4. COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETING

None.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

6. MINUTES

6.1. Local Trust Committee Meeting Dated March 26, 2015

The following amendments to the minutes were presented for consideration:

- Page 3: delete last sentence in paragraph two;
- Page 3, paragraph 3, bullet 1 should read: "This is a perfect example of a type of property for the variance process";
- 11.3: add "between Trustee Stamford and the Planner" to end of paragraph 4;
- 13.3, line 2: delete "Lower Mainland".

By general consent the minutes were adopted as amended.

6.2. Section 26 Resolutions-without-meeting

None.

6.3. Advisory Planning Commission Minutes

None.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

7.1. Follow-up Action List Dated April 28, 2015

Received.

7.2. Howe Sound Science and Knowledge Workshop

7.2.1. Islands Trust Fund Briefing dated April 23, 2015

Received.

7.3. Protocol Meetings with Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) and Metro Vancouver

Discussion ensued regarding a protocol meeting being organized for the Sunshine Coast at the end of June. Planner Brzowski listed staff who would be in attendance in addition to elected officials. Trustees proposed topics for the agenda, including:

- Structure or outline of how the Islands Trust fits into the Regional District, where the overlay is to help to clarify our role and commitments. Show what is different, and how we work together.
- How the planning interface works and bylaw enforcement.
- Park planning.
- Functions of all various departments for the islands in the LTA.

- Request that SCR D bring information on SCR D-Sechelt Indian Band protocol agreement regarding archaeological finds and how this is addressed in their permit process.

7.4. Meeting with Squamish Nation

7.4.1 Discussion of possibility of using Community to Community funding for meeting with Squamish Nation

Trustees shared ideas and considered with staff possibilities for meeting with the Squamish Nation and how such a meeting might be funded. The need of the parties to engage early and often regarding the Gambier Official Community Plan (OCP) process was seen by trustees as an important factor to address. Trustees also wanted clarity regarding options in terms of engagement with First Nations.

Trustee Stamford expressed interest in engaging in communications with the Squamish regarding opportunities for economic development on Gambier. She also hoped to learn more about the Squamish Nation’s interest in the New Brighton dock.

Planner Brzozowski remarked that she would follow up before the June 10, 2015 deadline on a “Community to Community” funding application for a meeting with the Squamish Nation about the New Brighton area around the dock, and will follow up on other potential meeting opportunities as discussed.

8. DELEGATIONS

None.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

(Correspondence received concerning current applications or projects is posted to the LTC webpage)

None.

10. APPLICATIONS AND REFERRALS

None.

11. LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE PROJECTS

11.1. Gambier Official Community Plan Review

11.1.1. Staff Report dated April 24, 2015

Planner Brzozowski reviewed the staff report of April 24, 2015 requesting Local Trust Committee direction regarding project management of the Gambier Island OCP Review project.

Discussion ensued on the options of doing a general OCP review process or breaking down the review project into a series of priority projects. Trustees agreed that the general OCP review process would be the desirable course and they also reviewed options for community consultation.

GM-2015-020

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee engage in early and ongoing consultation with the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations, the Sunshine Coast Regional District, and the Ministry of Forests, Land and Natural Resource Operations on topics of concern to the Official Community Plan.

CARRIED

GM-2015-021

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee request staff to draft a Project Charter and Communications Plan for a general review of the Gambier Official Community Plan.

CARRIED

GM-2015-022

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee direct staff to investigate and prepare an application for Community to Community funding to engage with the local First Nations regarding discussion of the Official Community Plan for Gambier Island.

CARRIED

Chair Morrison recessed the meeting at 12:08 pm.

Chair Morrison reconvened the meeting at 12:30 pm.

13. REPORTS

13.1. Work Program Reports

13.1.1. Top Priorities Report Dated April 28, 2015

13.1.2. Projects List Report Dated April 28, 2015

Planner Brzozowski reviewed the Top Priorities Report and the Projects List Report, both dated April 28, 2015.

Planner Brzozowski advised the LTC she had sent an email to the Environmental Assessment Office to withdraw from participation on the BURNCO Working Group at this time. SCR D planning staff had advised they would continue to consult Islands Trust for input as part of their process.

Trustee Stamford gave an update on the proposed Metro Vancouver incinerator; possibly more information would be released within the next few weeks on options for their incinerator locations.

Planner Brzozowski advised that the report and technical mapping work regarding the Riparian Areas Regulation (RAR) that was done for some watersheds on Gambier and all identified Keats, Anvil and Bowyer had been received and reviewed internally. Staff is working on a report with mapping information and analysis on next steps, including an implementation plan for RAR.

Communications related to RAR implementation were discussed. Trustees were invited to send any further comments on RAR communications to the Planner Brzozowski.

13.2. Applications Report Dated April 28, 2015

Received.

13.3. Trustee and Local Expense Reports

13.3.1 Trustee and Local Expense Report Dated March 2015

13.3.2 Trustee and Local Expense Report Updated March 2015

Received.

13.4. Adopted Policies and Standing Resolutions

Received.

13.5. Local Trust Committee Webpage

Staff was requested to post the following document to the Gambier Island webpage:

- Islands Trust Fund Briefing dated April 23, 2015 regarding Howe Sound Science and Knowledge Workshop, March 27, 2015.

13.6. Chair's Report

Chair Morrison commented on her experience at the recent Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) convention in Courtenay, where there were common concerns of participants around environmental protection. She attended a First Nations workshop at the conference where she took a lot of notes. The strategic planning discussion will be on the agenda at Trust Council in June.

13.7. Trustee Reports

Some of the events and issues that occurred since Trustee Rogers' last report near the end of March include:

- April 1 – Attended a forum in West Vancouver put on by Future of Howe Sound Society on LNG.
- April 8 – Participated in a conference call with SCRD Area F Director Ian Winn on the proposed budget and tax increases for Keats and Gambier
- April 8 – There was another in a series of discussions with Connect BC about trying to get high speed Internet to the Islands.
- April 13 – Attended a meeting in West Vancouver of the Probus Club to hear the Communications Director for the Western Canada Marine Response Corporation talk about oil spill response.
- April 25 – Attended a “Holly Pull” at Campfire Rock Cove on the south side of Keats Island.
- May 1 – Attended the Howe Sound Community Forum on Bowen Island.

Trustee Stamford reported on her activities since late March as follows:

- March 31 – Trust Fund Board Meeting
- April 28 – 2015 Islands Clean-up strategy meeting at SCRD office.
- May 1 – Attended the Howe Sound Community Forum on Bowen Island and did a presentation on the Islands Trust Fund's activities in the Howe Sound area.
- May 3 – Gambier Island Community Association meeting.
- As SCRD Alternate Director, is working with Director Winn and previous Director Lee Turnbull to review Grants in Aid. Letters to applicants should be out this week.
- April 8 – Reviewed Area F and Island taxation and functions with Director Winn, Trustee Rogers, K. McTaggart and J. Clegg.
- April 23 – Participated in the SCRD Board meeting in Director Winn's place.
- April 28 – Attended the Area F Advisory Planning Commission meeting.

13.8. Electoral Area Director's Report

Trustee Stamford reported that Director Ian Winn is working with the taxation and looking at taxation levels. He is focusing on the Hillside Industrial Park and working with First Nations. He also went to the AVICC conference.

13.9. Trust Fund Board Report – April 2015

Chair Morrison discussed the Trust Fund Board Report to Local Trust Committees and Bowen Island Municipality – April 2015.

14. NEW BUSINESS

14.1. Bylaw Enforcement Report to Trust Council, March 2015

Received.

Planner Brzozowski commented on challenges for bylaw enforcement in the Local Trust Area, and reviewed with the LTC all options for triggering bylaw enforcement. Discussion ensued.

Trustees plan to post the bylaw complaint phone number and website information locally.

14.2. Gambier Island Local Trust Committee Submission for 2014-2015 Annual Report

14.2.1. Request for Decision dated April 21, 2015

The Local Trustees forwarded to the Island Planner amended wording for the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee submission for the 2014-2015 Annual Report.

GM-2015-023

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee approves the attached text for inclusion in the 2014-2015 Annual Report for approval (as amended) by Trust Council and submission to the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development.

CARRIED

14.3. Input to Strategic Plan

14.3.1. Request for Decision dated April 8, 2015

14.3.2. Email dated April 25, 2015 from Sara Steil

Trustees considered preliminary input for development of the Islands Trust Council Strategic Plan, intended to guide staff work programs and budget development for the 2014-2018 term. Discussion ensued.

GM-2015-024

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee recommend to Trust Council that the potential objectives and strategies in the Discussion Draft of the Strategic Plan for 2014-2018 be amended as follows:

- Add strategy: 2.4 To support the enhancement of biodiversity in Howe Sound.
- Add strategy under all objectives, except 6 & 10: To participate in the Howe Sound Forum.
- Add strategy: 2.5 To advocate for controls on marine pollutants.

CARRIED

14.4 Howe Sound Forum Request for Decision

Trustee Rogers reported that there was discussion at the Forum that communities should provide their data and technical people to work with FLNRO. He also noted that the presentation at the May 1 forum indicated the Cumulative Effects Assessment Framework, put forward as an alternative to a management plan, was neither accumulative nor an effects assessment, but basically a data gathering exercise.

GM-2015-025

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee request the Executive Committee to assign staff from both Islands Trust and Islands Trust Fund to participate and cooperate with the Ministry of Forests, Land and Natural Resource Operations Cumulative Effects Assessment Framework, and share information.

CARRIED

15. UPCOMING MEETINGS

15.1. Next Regular Meeting Scheduled for Thursday, June 18, 2015 at 10:30 am at Keats Camp, Keats Island, BC.

16. TOWN HALL

None.

17. CLOSED MEETING

None.

18. ADJOURNMENT

By general consent the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Susan Morrison, Chair

Certified Correct:

Diane Corbett, Recorder