



Thetis Island Local Trust Committee Minutes of Regular Meeting

Date:	April 18, 2017
Location:	Thetis Island Community Centre (Forbes Hall) North Cove Road, Thetis Island, BC
Members Present	Susan Morrison, Chair Peter Luckham, Local Trustee Ken Hunter, Local Trustee
Staff Present	Marnie Eggen, Island Planner Janice Young, Recorder
Others Present	Mel Dorey, Cowichan Valley Regional District (CVRD) Director, Area G and approximately sixteen (16) members of the public.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Morrison called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. She acknowledged that the meeting was being held in traditional territory of the Coast Salish First Nations, introduced the Staff, Trustees and Regional District Director and welcomed the public.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following changes to the agenda were presented for consideration:

- 12.8** To be moved to the beginning of the agenda
- 13.2** To follow **Item 6. Minutes**

By general consent the agenda was adopted as amended.

3. TOWN HALL AND QUESTIONS

The following points were made:

- Chair Morrison reminded members of the public that the Burning Bylaw is a CVRD issue, not an Islands Trust issue and that concern regarding CVRD bylaws should be addressed at a CVRD meeting.
- A community meeting regarding the CVRD Burning Bylaw issue is needed.
- Education regarding the Bylaw is very important.
- Rural areas like Thetis Island are dependent on wood heating because natural gas is unavailable and hydro is expensive and unavailable during power outages.
- Representatives from the Thetis Island Improvement District (TIID) and Thetis Island Residents and Ratepayers Association (TIRRA) offered assistance to organize a CVRD meeting on Thetis to present Burning Bylaw No. 3716 to the Thetis Island community.
- Fire Chief Jeannine Caldbeck reported that since April 1, 2017, eighty-three (83) fire permits have been given out in compliance with Thetis Island Volunteer Fire Department (TIVFD) Regulations.

4. COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETING – None

5. PUBLIC HEARING – None

6. MINUTES

6.1 Local Trust Committee Minutes dated February 21, 2017 for adoption

The following amendments to the minutes were presented for consideration:

Page 1, Item 3. Town Hall and Questions: third bullet, third line down change “TUPs are valid for two years” to “TUPs are valid for three years”.

Page 1, Item 3. Town Hall and Questions: fourth bullet, fourth line down change “would like” to “may”.

Page 3, Resolution TH-2017-003: change last words to “and none were in favour.”

By general consent the minutes were adopted as amended.

6.2 Local Trust Committee Special Meeting Minutes dated February 27, 2017 for adoption

The following amendment to the minutes was presented for consideration:

Page 3, Item 4.1.2 Local Trust Committee Discussion: last sentence “Trustee Hunter stood opposed to this resolution.” to be moved to after resolution **TH-2017-015** on page 4.

By general consent the minutes were adopted as amended.

6.3 Section 26 Resolutions-Without-Meeting Report dated April 10, 2017

Received.

6.4 Advisory Planning Commission Minutes – None

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

7.1 Follow-up Action List dated April 10, 2017

Report received. Update provided by the Island Planner.

8. DELEGATIONS - None

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Letter from Alistair MacGregor, Member of Parliament - Cowichan-Malahat-Langford

Received for information.

10. APPLICATIONS AND REFERRALS

10.1 Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee Referral regarding Bylaw Nos. 488, 489 and 490

TH-2017-016

It was MOVED and SECONDED

that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee responds to the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee referral regarding Bylaw Nos. 488, 489, and 490, and states that its interests are unaffected.

CARRIED

10.2 Gabriola Island Local Trust Committee Referral regarding Bylaw Nos. 292 and 293

TH-2017-017

It was MOVED and SECONDED

that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee responds to the Gabriola Island Local Trust Committee referral regarding Bylaw Nos. 292 and 293, and states that its interests are unaffected.

CARRIED

11. LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE PROJECTS – None

12. REPORTS

12.1 Work Program Reports

12.1.1 Top Priorities Report dated April 10, 2017

The report was presented and discussed followed with a request to reschedule the Riparian Areas Regulation meeting as soon as possible.

12.1.2 Projects List Report dated April 10, 2017

Report reviewed.

12.2 Applications Report dated April 10, 2017

Report received. Update provided by the Island Planner.

12.3 Trustee and Local Expense Report dated February, 2017

Received.

12.4 Adopted Policies and Standing Resolutions – None**12.5 Local Trust Committee Webpage****TH-2017-018****It was MOVED and SECONDED**

that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee request staff to provide a link on the Thetis Island webpage to the CVRD burning bylaw information.

CARRIED**12.6 Chair's Report**

Chair Morrison reported on the following:

- An upcoming workshop/retreat with Executive Committee and senior staff to discuss the allocation and spending of resources.
- Need to reschedule the Riparian Areas Regulation meeting as soon as possible.

12.7 Trustee Reports

Trustee Luckham reported on the following meetings:

- Trust Council
 - 2017-18 budget adopted
 - First Nations Project
 - Marine Issues.
- Executive Committee
 - Upcoming workshop/retreat with Executive Committee and senior staff to discuss the allocation and spending of resources.
 - South Pender – Land Use Bylaw amendment.
- Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC)
 - Additional regulations regarding the use of polystyrene foam were endorsed and will be presented to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) for consideration.
 - Resolution passed so that grants for emergency equipment include Improvement Districts.

Trustee Hunter had no report at this time.

12.8 Electoral Area Director's Report**12.8.1 Cowichan Valley Regional District Burning Bylaw No. 3716 - Verbal Update**

Regional District Director (Area G), Mel Dorey, reported on CVRD Bylaw No. 3716 highlighting the Air Shed Protection Strategy and the concern to control particulate matter. He discussed the process of implementing this Bylaw in other communities in Area G and asked if the Thetis Island

community would be interested in a community information meeting to prepare for an upcoming town hall hearing. Experts would be in attendance to field questions and concerns.

Trustee Luckham thanked Mel Dorey for coming to the Islands Trust meeting.

Town Hall followed. Comments recorded in Item 3.

12.9 Trust Fund Board Report dated February, 2017

Report presented and updated by Chair Morrison.

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 Thetis Community Association - Invoice for Islands Trust Link on Webcam 2017

TH-2017-019

It was MOVED and SECONDED

that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee endorse continued advertising on the Thetis Island webcam and payment of Invoice No. 2017031415.

CARRIED

13.2 2016/17 Islands Trust Annual Report Memorandum

TH-2017-020

It was MOVED and SECONDED

that the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee endorse the annual report submission as follows:

In 2016-2017, the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee amended its Bylaw Enforcement Notification Bylaw No. 90 to reduce penalties following voluntary bylaw compliance to zero. The Local Trust Committee considered a number of rezoning applications, mostly pertaining to marine areas, including an application for a yacht club outstation at Kendrick Island to the northeast of Valdes Island, an application for a barge facility on Valdes Island, and a proposal to rezone the marine area adjacent to Thetis Island to permit mariculture (approved January 2017). The Local Trust Committee has also recently embarked on a new project to review private moorage regulations and to examine the potential for community dock facilities on Ruxton Island.

CARRIED

14. UPCOMING MEETINGS

14.1 Next meeting of the Thetis Island Local Trust Committee is a Special Meeting being held on April 25, 2017 at the Beban Park Social Centre, Meeting Room 1 & 2, 2300 Bowen Park Road, Nanaimo BC beginning at 1pm.

14.2 Next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 9:30 am at the Thetis Island Community Centre (Forbes Hall), North Cove Road, Thetis Island, BC

15. TOWN HALL

The following points were made:

- International travel provides awareness of progressive strategies in other countries especially regarding alternate energy and transportation sources.
- TH-LTC members spoke of the Vancouver Island rail still being alive and well, and that there are also plans to provide a commuter railway in the Greater Victoria and Mid-island areas.

16. CLOSED MEETING – None

17. ADJOURNMENT

By general consent the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

Susan Morrison, Chair

Certified Correct:

Janice Young, Recorder