

Meeting Minutes

First Nations Relations Committee

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

1:30 PM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

PRESENT:

Directors: M. Tait (Chair), G. Orr (Vice Chair), D. Blackwell, B. Desjardins, M. Hicks, D. Howe, B. Isitt, S. Potts (for J. Loveday), R. Martin, N. Taylor, B. Thompson (for R. Windsor)

Staff: R. Lapham, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; K. Morley, General Manager, Corporate Services; S. Henderson, Manager, Real Estate; D. Elliott, Manager, Aboriginal Initiatives; E. Gorman, Deputy Corporate Officer; E. Kelch, First Nations Engagement Assistant; S. Closson, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

Guest: Wisty Chaytor, Negotiator, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

REGRETS: Chair C. Plant

The meeting was called to order at 1:39 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Chair Tait provided a Territorial Acknowledgment.

2. Approval of Agenda

Item 5.1 recommendation revision:

That the presentation time be extended to thirty (30) minutes.

**MOVED by Director Howe, SECONDED by Director Desjardins,
That the agenda for the September 18, 2019 First Nations Relations Committee
Meeting be approved as amended.
CARRIED**

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [19-651](#) Minutes of the May 15, 2019 First Nations Relations Committee

**MOVED by Director Blackwell, SECONDED by Director Taylor,
That the minutes of the First Nations Relations Committee meeting of May 15,
2019 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED**

4. Chair's Remarks

The Chair noted the Progress Report is to be received today and should the Committee need to meet before the next meeting scheduled in the new year,

that can be arranged. Director Blackwell also has books available for Committee Members to borrow if interested.

5. Presentations/Delegations

- 5.1. [19-795](#) Presentation: B.C. Reconciliation Process, Wisty Chaytor, Negotiator, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Wisty Chaytor from the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation presented an overview of reconciliation and the Treaty Process.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- First Nation agreements under treaties versus the Indian Act
- Pacheedaht, Ditadaht agreements
- Unaffiliated (unregistered) families
- Indigenous law

**MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Howe,
That the verbal presentation be received for information.
CARRIED**

6. Committee Business

- 6.1. [19-796](#) Reconciliation Progress Report

K. Morley spoke to the Reconciliation Progress Report.

Discussion ensued on emergency services.

**MOVED by Director Desjardins, SECONDED by Director Taylor,
The First Nations Relations Standing Committee recommend to the Board:
That this report be received for information.
CARRIED**

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no Notice(s) of Motion.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Motion to Close the Meeting

- 9.1. [19-799](#) Motion to Close the Meeting

**MOVED by Director Desjardins, SECONDED by Director Blackwell,
That the meeting be closed for the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the regional district and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party under section 90(2),(b) of the Community Charter.
CARRIED**

10. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Blackwell,
That the September 18, 2019 First Nations Relations Committee meeting be
adjourned at 3:04 pm.
CARRIED

Chair

Recorder