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Minutes of the SPECIAL TASK FORCE ON FIRST NATIONS RELATIONS

Wednesday, November 29, 2017, at 8:30am

Room 651, 6th Floor, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria, BC

Present: M. Alto, R. Windsor, S. Price

Regrets: M. Tait,

Staff: S. Hallatt, E. Kelch

1. Chair's Remarks

Welcome to Director Price as incoming Board Chair to the First Nations Task Force.

2. Approval of October 4th minutes

Minutes approved by consensus.

3. WSANEC Leadership Council Follow-up

Sue Hallatt moved that this item be changed to discuss governance more generally. It is recommended that there are going to be multiple answers to the governance question and that no single answer is going to prevail. Observer status was mentioned as an interest at the previous WLC meeting. First Nations are seeking other governance agreements with higher levels of government that are taking priority. Other levels of government may be making decisions that the CRD cannot get ahead of.

In the case of Island View Beach, CRD is paying for those discussions and paying for meetings may need to be discussed as part of the recommendations from the Task Force in 2018. The Task Force decided that Chair Price will send a letter to Minister Fraser to provide an update on these activities and to seek information on the province's plans for integrating First Nations with regional governance as well as any information about the latest understanding of responsibilities in regards to the Douglas Treaty.

Chair Price agrees that it will be good to show to the Board that lines of communication with First Nations remain open and that the CRD is always willing to explore governance options while we are waiting for decisions from First Nations and other levels of government.

4. Community to Community Forum Grants

Hartland Tour and Archaeology protocol grants approved in principle through the UBCM community to community forum granting process. Erich will work with members of the Task Force to arrange for them to attend.

\$80,000 Grant secured for bike access with Songhees, \$5,000 grant secured for Tsawout for a food conference and pending \$120,000 grant with Tsawout for Climate Action with support from First Nations Relations Division.

5. Committee of the whole Jan 31 or May 30

Potential for May 30 after other discussions with provincial representatives and First Nations have taken place. Will discuss at the January Task Force meeting.

6. Archaeology Update
a. Protocol – Tseycum

Discussed under item #4

b. Corporate Policy

Moved to the next meeting

7. Consultation Policy

Moved to the next meeting

8. Island View Beach Update

Discussed under item # 3

9. Year-end Reporting

Sue Hallatt to send Q3 report to Director Alto first. Year-end reporting will be in January.

10. First Nations Relations – Future Division Planning

Moved to the next meeting

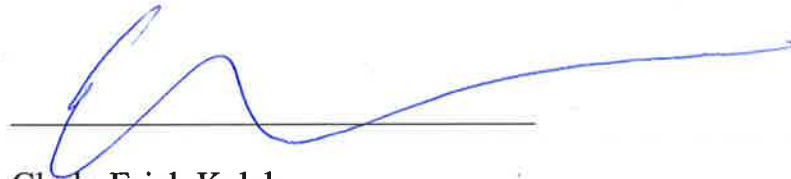
11. Roundtable

12. New Business

Next meeting to take place in January after surveying members' schedules following any committee shuffling.



Task Force Chair, Director Alto



Clerk, Erich Kelch
