

## MEETING NOTES

### Port Community Liaison Committee - Delta

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>#24</b>
<b>Date:</b>	March 17, 2015
<b>Time:</b>	8am – 10:30am Breakfast will be served at 7:45am.
<b>Location:</b>	Delta Community Office, 5225A Ladner Trunk Road, Ladner In the Trenant Park Shopping Centre, next to the Shoe Warehouse.
<b>Facilitator</b>	Michelle LeBaron
<b>Chair:</b>	n/a
<b>Attendees:</b>	<p><b>Community Representatives</b>  Roger Emsley, Tsawwassen  Patrick Thompson, Tsawwassen  Randy Johnstone, Ladner  Leslie Abramson, Ladner  Robert McCandless, Tsawwassen  Frank Rogers, Tsawwassen</p> <p><b>Environmental Representative</b>  Kate Hagmeier</p> <p><b>Organizations:</b>  Allan Baydala, Port Metro Vancouver  Michael Gomm (replacement for Bernita Iversen), Corporation of Delta  Gord Westlake, BC Rail Company  Greg Andrew, Westshore Terminals  Ken Baird, Tsawwassen First Nation  Clarence De Boer (replacement for Leisa Yee), Delta Farmers' Institute</p> <p><b>Guests:</b>  Cliff Caprani, Rod Asher, Susan Jones, David Jones: Citizens Against Port Expansion  Gary Olszewski, Environmental Programs, Port Metro Vancouver</p> <p><b>Port Metro Vancouver:</b>  Naomi Horsford &amp; Ram Chungh: Coordinators  Tanya Hawke, Delta office representative</p> <p><b>Facilitator:</b> Michelle LeBaron</p>
<b>Regrets:</b>	Orv Nickel, Delta Chamber of Commerce Eric Waltz, Global Container Terminals Geoffrey Barlow, Community Representative, Ladner

AGENDA ITEM	KEY POINTS & DECISIONS
<b>1. Presentations/Overviews</b>	
<p><b>1.1</b></p>	<p><b>Citizens Against Port Expansion <a href="#">presentation</a> provided by Cliff Caprani.</b></p> <p>Noted CAPE is not anti-business nor anti-port. CAPE has concerns about expansion plans of Roberts Bank Terminal 2 due to environmental and community impacts and business case.</p> <p>Highlighted the importance of Roberts Bank and that the area is imperative to the potentially endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales. Another species at risk includes the Western Sandpiper, which uses Roberts Bank as a feeding ground on the stop over from Panama to Alaska. The Western Sandpipers head to Roberts Bank because of the uniqueness and quality of the biofilm. These Sandpipers stay at Roberts Bank for 2-5 days and double their weight.</p> <p>Noted concerns that widening of the causeway will destroy biofilm without a way to mitigate the damage.</p> <p>Spoke about the port's claims of reaching capacity in the near future without another container terminal and that figures don't support that claim. The port has communicated the container business is growing at 7 per cent a year. CAPE believes that it is actually a 2.63 per cent increase in container growth and that the port includes empty containers in their growth percentage figure.</p> <p>CAPE stated some analysts have shared that 5 per cent annual container growth is the most the industry can meet. The port relies more and more on US containers. Delta's mayor made a presentation highlighting the port as a problem and not the solution.</p> <p>Provided a call to action to committee members to consider the facts and to vocalize their position if they are against the Roberts Bank Terminal 2 expansion.</p> <p>PCLC members' comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members are not puppets or similar, do speak their minds and are doing what they believe is best for the community. Requested an apology from CAPE for comments made about the committee members.</li> <li>• Key learning from the South Fraser Perimeter Road project was that being completely adverse to a project is the wrong approach and by working together is where accomplishments can take place. Emphasized the importance of cooperation. Recommended that CAPE take a different approach than the current one.</li> <li>• Appreciation shared for CAPE bringing information forward.</li> <li>• Developments such as Roberts Bank terminal 2 have been stopped elsewhere</li> </ul>

	<p>due to environmental and community impacts. Roberts Bank is critically important to the environment. If this project goes ahead the damage can not be mitigated.</p> <p>CAPE noted unfairness of the community committee member recruitment process where two members of CAPE applied and were not accepted.</p> <p><i>[Note: the recruitment subcommittee, made up of one representative from each of the following unanimously decided on which candidates would become new members of the committee: Port Metro Vancouver, Corporation of Delta, industry/BC Rail, community representative from Ladner.]</i></p>
<p><b>1.2</b></p>	<p><b>Noise Monitors <a href="#">presentation</a> provided by Gary Olszewski.</b> Link to noise monitors available <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>The port is considering placing a noise monitor by Tsawwassen First Nation land. Exact timing and location is to be determined.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Location of monitor by Fred Gingrell park is half way up the park, next to the residents on the bluff.</li> <li>• Portable monitors are available for deployment but need would require assessment.</li> <li>• Suggestion from committee member to place a portable monitor by a regular complainant's home.</li> <li>• Environment team determines deployment availability of portable noise monitors and appropriateness of requests as received.</li> <li>• Online data and noise levels available are in real time.</li> <li>• Noise levels vary seasonally. During the summer, residents are outside more often and have their windows open, and with weather playing a factor, we receive many more complaints during the summer months that other times of the year.</li> <li>• All noises in the vicinity can be heard on the noise monitors.</li> </ul> <p>Committee member stated that a report from the noise monitors levels should be available automatically for complainants. Gary noted that it is possible to see where the spikes in noise occur on the website.</p> <p>Recommendation by a committee member to committee to contact Mayor and send a letter with request to meet noise standards similar to Surrey.</p> <p>Recommendation by committee member to place a video online to explain how noise monitors work. Gary noted that a backgrounder on the noise monitors (shorter than the usual report) will be included in the annual report for the noise monitors.</p>

<p><b>1.3</b></p>	<p><b>Land Use Plan <a href="#">presentation</a> provided by Naomi Horsford.</b></p> <p>In regards to the Roberts Bank land use designations the red area on the slide is designated for port operations and blue on the sides of causeway is designated as a special study area.</p> <p>Throughout the land use plan, there are five special study areas. The special study lands on either side of the causeway are Crown Federal lands that will be transferred, assigned or subleased to Tsawwassen First Nation in the future and therefore this is one of the reasons it was not provided with a specific use.</p> <p>Committee member noted that in an article in the Delta Optimist, little information was provided on this special study area. Recommended that the committee receive a presentation on the special study area. Port Metro Vancouver noted this would be unnecessary at this point because there are no current plans for that area. The port is not able to identify what the use would be. When the port has a better understanding of what the use could be, consultation and engagement will occur. An interest in this area arose because it was previously noted as a conservation area when the Fraser River Estuary Management Program existed.</p> <p>Committee member noted that the land use plan map on the Port’s website requires more detail. Suggested he will provide a brief at the next meeting as to what the port could do to make it more detailed.</p>
<p><b>2. Follow up on action items</b></p>	
<p><b>2.1</b></p>	<p><b>Follow up with the next article with the Delta Optimist provided by Ram Chung on behalf of Bernita Iversen.</b></p> <p>There may be an opportunity for some members of the committee to meet with Ted Murphy, the editor of the Delta Optimist. If there is interest from the committee, the communications/outreach subcommittee should be formed and meet to discuss possible topics to share in the Optimist.</p> <p>Patrick T. was willing to take recommendations and suggestions on behalf of the committee. Requested Port Metro Vancouver provide to the committee with recent letters to the editor that have been circulating through the Delta Optimist, specifically by the port and members of the public.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The port to provide the committee with recent letters to the editor that have been circulating through the Delta Optimist, specifically by the port and members of the public.</p>

3. Port Updates	
3.1	<p><b>See <a href="#">port updates</a> provided by Allan Baydala.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Channel Dredging Program</li> <li>• Deltaport Terminal Road and Rail Improvement Project</li> <li>• Roberts Bank Terminal 2</li> <li>• Habitat Enhancement Program</li> </ul> <p>In reference to the Salt Marsh Restoration at Roberts Bank and Boundary Bay, committee member asked who is going to clean up the return of logs and debris to the site. Another committee member answered that a group of high school students connected to the Rotary Club may be helping with clean up.</p>
3.2	<p><b>Community issues and correspondence provided by Ram Chung.</b></p> <p>A complaint was received about vessel generator noise where the ship had departed before Operations could follow up with vessel agent. A committee member asked if Operations could still contact the vessel agent even if the ship has left the port to provide notification of the complaint.</p> <p><i>[The port's Operations team was notified of this question and responded that if the complainant provides their concerns within one day of the vessel leaving, they will contact the vessel agent regardless of whether the ship is still at port.]</i></p>
3.3	<p><b>Delta Community Office update</b></p> <p>Committee member noted interest in receiving information about the top areas of interest for the community. This will be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Provide the PCLC a summary of questions/topics raised by community members who visit the Delta Community office.</p>
4. PCLC Planning	
4.1	<p><b>PCLC Terms of Reference review led by Michelle LeBaron.</b></p> <p>Facilitator provided proposed changes to the Terms of Reference upon review and after discussions with the port. Key changes included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adding the role of the facilitator</li> <li>• Updating the meeting protocols and noting that audio or video recordings will not be permitted.</li> <li>• Updating the length of term</li> </ul>

Discussion:

Re: section #4 - Length of term

- PCLC member voiced concern with the change, highlighting the importance of continuity on the committee.
- The port noted the need to ensure broad representation and diversity of opinion. Length of term from other committees was looked at before making the recommendation. In reference to the two year term length versus the current 1 year term length, there is an the opportunity to keep consistency for a longer period of time. There is also the opportunity to reapply after two years of not being on the committee.
- Committee member mentioned the Environmental Assessment phase for Roberts Bank Terminal 2, which will be a long process, means the information shared with the committee will be extensive. It may be challenging for new community members to join and try to catch up.
- The port responded that staggered terms may help relieve the potential challenge.

Re: section #11 - Meeting Protocols (voting and recordings)

- Clarity provided that the committee would be voting on decisions that could be made within the committee, not necessarily about port operations.
- Delta Container Truck Traffic Group example was provided as one that started with a vote from the committee to strike a subcommittee.
- Members discussed pros and cons of not allowing audio or video recordings at meetings. Variations of how to include this information were shared. Vote occurred, it was not unanimous and so will be moved forward to next PCLC meeting with new wording.

At the end of the discussion it was highlighted the the length of term and meeting protocols sections of the Terms of Reference were still outstanding and would be included for further discussion at the next PCLC meeting.

**Action:** Continue discussion on terms of reference section 4 and 11.

Request from facilitator to extend the next meeting for another hour to discuss the terms of reference outstanding items and to take part in a strategic planning session. It was agreed that the meeting could be extended. The new meeting time is from 5:30pm to 8:30pm.

Request from facilitator to consider two items for the next meeting: what are the strategic priorities for the committee in 2015, and how should the committee proceed (should it stay the same or should changes be made?).

**Action:** Facilitator to send email with further information and discuss with committee members by either phone or email.

<b>4.2</b>	<b>Strategic Planning Session</b> – there was not enough time available to discuss. Will be included at next meeting.
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Meeting	Agenda Ref #	Action Item	Responsible	Due Date
24	2.1	Provide the committee with recent letters to the editor that have been circulating through the Delta Optimist, specifically by the port and members of the public.	Ram C.	Next meeting
24	3.3	Provide a summary of questions / topics raised by community members who visit the Delta Community Office.	Tanya H.	Next meeting
24	4.1	Discuss outstanding items number 4 and 11 from Terms of Reference	Michelle L.	Next meeting
22	3.2	Ask a presenter to speak to the container forecast for RBT2.	PMV	Future meeting
20	1.2	Follow up with Delta Police regarding current status of traffic management plan to be worked on with TSI.	Bernita I.	Future meeting
20	3.2	Review TOR document in its entirety at the next meeting.	Michelle L.	Complete
18	2.2	Follow up with the next article with the Delta Optimist.	Bernita I.	Complete
17	1.3	Presentation regarding community benefits fund for RBT2 in 2014.	Rhona H.	Future meeting