

MEETING NOTES

Port Community Liaison Committee - Delta

Meeting:	#45
Date:	Thursday, December 6, 2018
Time:	Dinner: 5:30 pm Meeting: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Location:	Delta Community Office (5225A Ladner Trunk Road, Ladner) <i>Located in the Trenant Park Shopping Centre next to Shoe Warehouse</i>
Facilitator/Chair:	Michelle LeBaron
Coordinator	Mandy Ellis
Attendees:	<p>Members:</p> <p>Community Representatives Roger Emsley, Tsawwassen Mark Gordienko, Tsawwassen Dennis McJunkin, North Delta Robert McCandless, Tsawwassen Frank Rogers, Tsawwassen Patrick Thompson, Tsawwassen</p> <p>Organizations Greg Andrew, Westshore Terminals Tom Awrey, Delta Chamber of Commerce Tom Corsie, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Marko Dekovic, Global Container Terminals Kate Hagmeier, Environmental Representative Bernita Iversen, City of Delta Gord Westlake, B.C. Rail Company Michelle LeBaron, facilitator</p> <p>Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Captain Stephen Brown, Interim Harbour Master and Director, Marine Operations & Security Evangeline Englezos, Director, Community & Aboriginal Affairs Sarah Pilgrim, Community Office Specialist Tom Corsie, Vice President, Real Estate</p>
Regrets:	Leslie Abramson, Ladner Noel Roddick, Delta Farmers' Institute Chief Bryce Williams, Tsawwassen First Nation

#	Agenda item
1. Introductions	
1.1	Michelle introduced Captain Stephen Brown and Evangeline Englezos from the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority.
2. Presentation	
2.1	<p>Fireside chat with Captain Stephen Brown</p> <p>Captain Brown provided an overview of harbour activities and protocols.</p> <p><u>Q&A highlights</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roger asked about the increased use of anchorages off the Southern Gulf Islands, noting that he heard from concerned Pender Island residents regarding a specific vessel. Stephen responded that he was aware of the particular vessel and that it was in-ballast (without cargo), awaiting orders. • Stephen provided information on Transport Canada’s Interim Anchorages Protocol. Transport Canada is introducing temporary measures to reduce the impacts of large vessels at anchor outside port authorities in southern British Columbia, while a comprehensive national review of anchorages is being conducted as part of Canada’s Oceans Protection Plan. Transport Canada has asked the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority to manage how anchorage locations are assigned along the south coast. Stephen said that a main objective of the protocol is to ensure vessels do not overuse any single south coast anchorage. In the past, ship masters chose anchorages in consultation with a coast pilot. They were not required to rotate equally through suitable locations. Under the current interim protocol, use of anchorages is tracked and is meant to be rotated equally through suitable locations. Transport Canada also takes into account comments provided by coastal communities about the impact of increased use of anchorages in surrounding waters. Stephen noted that the interim protocol including contact information for Transport Canada, Oceans Protection Plan, Pacific Region, available on the Transport Canada website. He also committed to share contact information with Roger directly. • Robert asked about classification societies and maritime insurance. Stephen responded that under international maritime law, a ship owner must have liability insurance. Classification societies are private companies originally created to provide insurance companies with information they need to establish insurance premiums for ships. In Canada, several classification societies (e.g. DNV, ABS, Lloyd’s Register, Bureau Veritas, ClassNK) are authorized to inspect and certify ships. Their mandate is to rate new ships based on predefined technical standards and then to assign the ships a “class” according to their design. Inspections focus on the ships’ technical compliance with international and national safety and pollution regulations. • Robert asked about flag states in the shipping industry and whether a port authority could ban ships registered to certain flag states. Stephen responded that any such legislation would fall under the jurisdiction of Transport Canada, and spoke to the nature of the very strict international Port State Control system that assures no one is sending sub-standard ships to Canada. • Dennis asked about fire boats on the Fraser River. Stephen responded that there are three fire boats under an agreement with the City of Vancouver and several Burrard Inlet municipalities. The municipalities pay an annual fee to

	<p>contribute to maintenance costs. Under the agreement, the port authority can deploy a fire boat within its jurisdiction. Outside the participating municipalities there is an additional fee payable to the Vancouver Fire Service. Tom Corsie added that the port authority maintains good relations with the 16 municipalities in its jurisdiction. The port authority has had discussions with fire chiefs in Surrey and Delta, and further discussions are to take place.</p>
3. General Business	
3.1	<p>Port sustainability advisory group meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Robert provided an overview of the port sustainability advisory group meeting held on November 8, 2018, which Robert attended on behalf of the PCLC. Robert described the meeting as well-hosted, effectively-facilitated and noted it brought together a variety of interest groups. Robert spoke to sustainability reporting and effectiveness monitoring. He suggested that the port authority broaden the scope of reporting and include more information about how certain indicators are measured and offset (e.g. CO₂). Robert asked what standard the sustainability report is measured against, suggesting it align with global standards. Evangeline and Marko responded that the port authority adopted GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards years ago. Evangeline referred to the Northwest Ports Clean Air Strategy, a collaborative emissions strategy for the airshed shared with the ports of Seattle and Tacoma.
3.2	<p>Annual holiday donation brainstorm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee decided to split the annual \$1000 holiday donation between Deltassist and the Mission to Seafarers.
3.3	<p>2019 meeting schedule</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee discussed the best times to hold PCLC meetings and agreed to continue alternating between morning and evening meetings. Mandy will circulate proposed 2019 meeting schedule soon.
4. Correspondence	
4.1	<p>Community - General & PCLC email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mandy provided an update on public enquiries received since October related to Delta including those related to safety sirens from new cranes at GCT-Deltaport. Marko noted GCT-Canada has heard from the community as well and are looking into what can be done.
5. Reports	
5.1	<p>Port update, Tom Corsie</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom Corsie highlighted aspects of the port update distributed before the meeting in the materials package. <p><u>Q&A highlights</u></p> <p>Tsawwassen Container Examination Facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kate asked whether the facility will operate 24/7 and expressed concerns about excessive lighting and potential effects on migrating birds. Kate asked whether

	<p>lighting could be lessened and referred to a previous presentation by the port authority on light mitigation. Tom Corsie committed to follow up with staff.</p> <p>Deltaport Truck Staging Area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bernita provided an update on screening for the Deltaport Truck Staging Area. The City of Delta continues to work with the British Columbia Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure on the landscaping plan for the facility. • In response to questions about amenities to be available at the facility, Tom Corsie noted there will be porta-potties and waste receptacles available to truckers. Tom Corsie noted that the intent is for the facility to be used only when congestion issues arise, and noted that the port authority operates a similar facility on the south shore of the Burrard Inlet. <p>Roberts Bank Terminal 2 update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robert asked whether the port authority would make printed copies of all panel documents and the port authority's responses to all information requests available at the Delta community office or at Delta libraries. Tom Corsie commented that the document would be in excess of 9000 pages. Staff committed to follow up with the project team to see what is planned and possible. • Marko asked why the container vessel call forecast study, completed by Mercator International, used Ocean Shipping Consultants' data rather than Mercator data. • Marko commented that the container vessel call forecast study assumes a 50/50 split between the two terminals, and said an even split is unlikely with three competing shipping alliances. • In response to a question from Patrick about projections related to RBT2, Tom referred back to Stephen's presentation, which highlighted innovation in the shipping industry. <p>BHP Potash Export Facility Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dennis asked whether BHP Billiton has a mine in place for the project. Tom responded that BHP intends to export potash from the proposed Jansen mine in Saskatchewan. <p>Other discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bernita asked about the humpback whale found washed ashore near the ferry terminal in Tsawwassen. Stephen responded that Fisheries and Oceans Canada completed a necropsy on Sea Island and that the animal showed signs of propeller damage.
5.2	<p><u>Committee member enquiries</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandy provided an update on committee member enquiries as documented in the meeting materials.
5.3	<p><u>Delta Community Office report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah spoke to recent and upcoming events. • Marko offered that GCT-Deltaport could escort Container tour busses, with notice and dependent on operational requirements.
<p>6. New Business</p>	

6.1	<p>New business</p> <p><u>Delta Chamber of Commerce</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom Awrey announced his departure from the Delta Chamber of Commerce. The group thanked him for his contribution to PCLC over the years and wished him well.
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Meeting	Agenda Ref #	Action Item	Responsible	Due Date
44	3.1	Review Terms of Reference and provide suggested changes to Michelle for review and feedback.	Mandy E.	Complete
44	7.1	Invite presenter on the Fraser River Estuary and the Western Sandpiper to a future meeting.	Mandy E.	Complete
43	5.2	Follow up with project team regarding report referenced in response to member enquiry.	Mandy E.	Complete
40	5.1	Presentation to PCLC regarding ECHO Program Vessel Slowdown Trial once results have been received.	Mandy E.	Future meeting
35	2.2	Provide formal presentation on salinity study and next steps.	Leisa L.	Future meeting
33	4.1	Presentation to PCLC regarding the Fraser River including the port's jurisdiction and long-term strategies.	Mandy E.	Complete
45	3.1	Michelle to summarize feedback received at November 19 and December 6 meetings and circulate to members, with discussion at the first meeting in 2019.	Michelle L.	Future meeting