



Meeting notes from Monday August 14, 2023 – 8:30 – 9:30am

Attendees:

- Dag Falck, Laura Patrick (Laura, IT), Tim Peterson, Gary Holman, Paul Brent, Adam Olsen, Clare Frater, Alexa Lewis, Lisa Gauvreau, Deb Morrison, and Laura Parker (Laura, AO) note-taker)

Discussion: in 'black' - is conversation from last mtg – in 'blue' is conversation from today's mtg

- **ACTION ITEMS** from last meeting, June 12:

- **Clare:** to send a follow-up email to NAV Canada re: "...proposed Changes to flight paths in Greater Vancouver Region, Southern Vancouver Island and sunshine coast. The Islands Trust Area."
 - **Clare:** Has to f/u w/Chair Luckham - Action Item
 - **Alexa:** will share letter that MP office received - Action Item
 - the new Minister of Transportation is Pablo Rodriguez
- **Deb:** was going to think on an initial plan for a potential SGI Forum website (from May mtg)
 - Idea – start w/one page
 - Would like to meet in the next month or so to review
 - **Adam:** suggest mtg w/Laura, staff - Action Item
 - **Clare:** \$2600 Forum funding this year – will f/u w/Deb - website best to be hosted via IT - Action Item
- **Dag and Kristina:** to write letters to Ministry of Transportation re:
 - reducing speed limits, road safety on islands, Cc Adam (Adam asked them to and he will then advocate)
 - **07/24, Follow up from Kristina** "I would like to update the minutes regarding the action item assigned to Dag and myself. I spoke to IT and they have an MOU with MOTI regarding speed limits and signs. We can work through them under this agreement"
 - **Dag:** Kristina is leading on this
 - **Paul:** meeting with MoTI today – speed limits are big issue on all the islands – MOTI not being responding to rural areas
 - **Gary:** update: MOTI agreed to 30km speed limit in Ganges areas – via advocacy from SSI groups and what was in *Cycling safety report from MOTI
 - **Adam:** that report could be used on all Gulf Islands
 - **Gary:** perhaps requesting a meeting w/MOTI at UBCM

- **Adam:** we should request as a delegation to meet w/a number of ministers staff (due to deadline – it is w/staff not minister)
 - Funding of rural ...(?)
 - **Clare:** IT has requested mtg w/Min Kang and Min. MOTI
 - *“The deadline for MACC staff meeting requests is August 30, 2023. For more details and contact information for the MACC Staff Meeting Coordinator, click the above link or see Bulletin #1. Provincial Appointment Desk staff will also be available on-site in the Vancouver Convention Centre East Lobby Monday and Tuesday, and Exhibition Hall C Wednesday and Thursday, to schedule meetings and answer questions.”*
 - **Tim:** re: rural designation and funding – going forward - Memorandum of understanding with MOTI would have to be changed
 - **Deb:** not all ITs go to UBCM so better to have a separate meeting
 - **Gary:** agrees – better to meet in Victoria
 - **Adam:** agreed can request thru my office
 - **Laura, IT:** agrmt w/MOTI is pretty strong – we need to use it to its fullest intent
 - **Clare:** agrees group mtg w/Mins separately
 - **Deb:** in chat: *“Transportation and housing....I would also love whoever deals with water sustainability”*
 - **Adam:**
 - I will request mtg w/Rob Fleming **Action Item**
 - And during session get a delegation together to meet w/ Anne Kang, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Ravinder Kahlon, Minister of Housing **Action Item**
- also, why alternative vehicles not allowed on islands
- **Clare:** re: advocacy from IT in support of regional districts representation
 - bring IT Exec up to speed on this
 - **Islands Trust as a whole:** advocate for
 - Did not discuss
 - **Mairead:** re: Governance of Islands - different levels of funding - make a table to summarize and ask for input from Forum members (from May mtg)
 - See attached document ‘230813 from Mairead Boland, IT Saturna.pdf’
 - Which also includes info. Re: MoTI agreement with the Trust
 - **Adam and Laura (staff):** will request Elizabeth’s office organize multi agency about our water ways and moored and derelict vessels - we will cohost and can hold in our office
 - **DONE** was scheduled for Thursday August 3. But then cancelled/postponed until the Fall sometime – to be determined by Elizabeth’s office
 - **Alexa:** no date set yet – should know later in in month when Elizabeth would be back
 - **Adam:** recommends that we go ahead in the Fall – even if Elizabeth not available – he happy to host/chair - work w/Laura (staff) to find a date – **Action Item**
 - **Laura, IT:** CRD established a ‘Saanich Peninsula Waterways Environmental Action Service’
 - **Gary:** checked in to it – doesn't look like there have been meetings – no minutes – not clear what this group is doing
 - **Adam:** invite someone from that group – **Action Item**

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 - **Alexa:** will share letter that MP office received from NAV Canada re: “...*proposed Changes to flight paths*”
 - **Laura, AO:** connect w/Deb to discuss website
 - DONE 08/25 meeting booked for 09/21
 - **Clare:** will f/u w/Deb re: website best to be hosted via IT
 - **Adam:** re: reducing speed limits, road safety on all islands
 - request mtg w/Rob Fleming
 - **Adam:** housing issues on islands - because too late to request mtgs w/Ministers at UBCM:
 - Request a mtg w/Anne Kang, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Ravinder Kahlon, Minister of Housing
 - Form an SGI Forum delegation to meet them
 - **Adam:** go ahead w/multi agency mtg about our water ways and moored and derelict vessels
 - Laura (staff) and Alexa to find a date
 - invite someone from ‘Saanich Peninsula Waterways Environmental Action Service’ group – reach out to Tara Stott, Program Coordinator, Environmental Protection
 - **Laura, AO:** connect w/Paul re: his comments on rural areas
 - DONE 08/17 - awaiting his reply
 - **Adam/Laura, AO:** send out info for Sept September 11 - half-day meeting