

**THE LOWER MAINLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE MEETING**

Metro Vancouver Offices, Burnaby, BC

September 15, 2010

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, President, Burnaby
Councillor Lorrie Williams, First Vice President, New Westminster
Councillor Barbara Steele, Second Vice President, Surrey
Mayor James Atebe, Past President, Mission
Councillor Mary-Wade Anderson, Director at Large, White Rock
Councillor Anne Peterson, Director at Large, Delta
Councillor Craig Speirs, Director at Large, Maple Ridge
Mayor Laurie French, Director at Large, Hope
Director Dennis Adamson, FVRD Representative
Councillor Patricia Heintzman, SLRD Representative
Councillor Raymond Louie, Metro Vancouver Representative
Angela Turner, Executive Coordinator

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Raymond Louie, Metro Vancouver Representative

President Dhaliwal called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

AGENDA

On a motion by Councillor Steele, seconded by Mayor French, that the agenda for the September 15, 2010 meeting be approved, was

CARRIED

MINUTES

On a motion by Councillor Peterson, seconded by Councillor Heintzman, that the minutes for the June 16, 2010 meeting be approved, as amended to include Councillor Speirs in the "In Attendance" category, was

CARRIED

REPORTS

President's Report

President Dhaliwal advised that he had drafted and sent two letters since the last meeting. The first was the letter to Mr. Fadden of CSIS. Councillor Dhaliwal indicated that he does not believe the organization is alone in its sentiments, and that the letter was a step in the right direction for the organization. The other letter was to the LMLGA membership regarding flood victims in Pakistan. He provided the update that the Canadian Government extended their donation-matching program, and that it was good to see that many communities were acting on this issue.

On a motion by Mayor Atebe, seconded by Councillor Williams, that the report be received was

CARRIED

Staff Report

On a motion by Mayor Atebe, seconded by Councillor Steele, that the report be received was

CARRIED

Executive Priorities Follow-up

The Executive priorities for 2010/2011 were discussed, with the following items being highlighted as the items to focus on over the course of the year, especially as they pertain to conference planning:

1. **Age-friendliness, Accessibility and Inclusiveness** - plan to weave these topics throughout the work done this year, culminating in our 2011 LMLGA Conference Program. Members will be encouraged to keep these key issues in mind when submitting resolutions for the conference this year.
2. **Economy and Local Government Fiscal Challenges** - recognizing that it is very difficult to explore and implement community projects relating to our first priority without also examining financial implications, or the "how to's" of a project.

It was also decided that administratively and internally, the Executive and staff will focus on extending the LMLGA's influence and interactivity with its members, through enhanced communication and branding, and will aim to increase the usefulness of the organization by further lobbying and representing the general interests of members.

On a motion by Councillor Speirs, seconded by Mayor Atebe, that the 2010/2011 Executive priorities be approved, was

CARRIED

FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATION

2012 Rare Affair Contract

On a motion by Councillor Steele, seconded by Councillor Anderson, that the LMLGA secure Rare Affairs for 2012 conference planning, was

CARRIED

UBCM Administrative Service Contract

Councillor Dhaliwal advised the Executive that the UBCM Administrative Contract had expired in June and is now due for a renewal. A couple of telephone conversations had taken place between Councillor Dhaliwal and UBCM Executive Director Gary MacIsaac regarding the extension of the contract. UBCM was advised that the LMLGA intends to extend the contract, albeit there are some budgeting issues to resolve. Mr. MacIsaac

advised that he is extremely busy with the UBCM Convention and expects to submit a proposal soon after the convention.

CARRIED

LMLGA Website Update

On a motion by Mayor Atebe, seconded by Councillor Steele, that the report be received, was

CARRIED

LMLGA Luncheon at UBCM Convention

On a motion by Mayor Atebe, seconded by Mayor French, that the agenda be approved, with staff requesting that Marion Town of Fraser Basin Council provide an online update and limit her luncheon update to three minutes, and an item be added for announcing the 2010/2011 Executive Priorities, was

CARRIED

CONVENTION

Convention Sub-Committee Report

Councillor Peterson gave the report of the first Convention Sub-Committee meeting. She advised that Sherryl Parsons and Barbara Harris of Rare Affairs attended the meeting, and provided an update on a few matters.

2013 Conference – Harrison Hot Springs Resort is currently booked for LMLGA’s 2013 dates. The Committee was advised that it would be possible to change the dates, or look at booking Whistler back-to-back instead. The possibility of using the Ramada in Abbotsford was also discussed.

Sponsorship – Sherryl Parsons advised that many 2010 sponsors had already confirmed for 2011, and that the conflicting dates with the NCLGA Conference should not adversely affect this year’s sponsorship levels. Sponsorship materials should be posted online and sent out to sponsors by mid-October.

Program and Theme – It was decided that more consideration would be given to programming choices and theme once the 2010/2011 priorities were established, so that an invitation can be created and sent out to members.

On a motion by Councillor Peterson, seconded by Mayor Atebe, that Mayor French be added as an alternate to the Sub-Committee, was

CARRIED

On a motion by Mayor Atebe, seconded by Councillor Heintzman, that the Sub-Committee report be received, was

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

On a motion by Councillor Steele, second by Councillor Adamson, that the correspondence identified as:

- a) UBCM – Community Excellence Awards Invitation
- b) SILGA – Re: 2010 LMLGA AGM and Convention
- c) LGLA – Re: Partnership Opportunity with Your Area Association
- d) MIABC – Re: LMLGA Representative to MIABC Board of Directors
- e) UBCM – Re: Area Associations’ Luncheon Arrangements at the 2010 UBCM Convention

be received was

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Adamson brought forward a request that the President consider writing a letter to Minister Clement regarding the Long-form Census issue.

On a motion by Councillor Williams seconded by Councillor Speirs that a letter be written to Minister Clement, was

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Councillor Sav Dhaliwal
President

Angela Turner
Executive Coordinator