

## **Deltaport Third Berth Project Community Liaison Committee (DCLC)**

### **MEETING NOTES**

Date	June 26, 2007
Times	6:00 – 9:00pm
Location	Delta Town and Country

**Meeting facilitated by:** Charles Holmes

**In Attendance:** Alan Cadwell, Carl Nygren, Lori Lindahl, Robert Butler, Bernita Iversen, Mike Schneider, Teresa Cooper, Farida Bishay, Colin Donaldson, Clint Morgan, Linday McKay, Vic Rivers, Mike Owen, Leslie Abramson, Byng Giraud.

**Regrets:** Steve Bayley, Andrew Bak and Roger Emsley.

**Staff in attendance:** Laura Strand

### **Value of June 11**

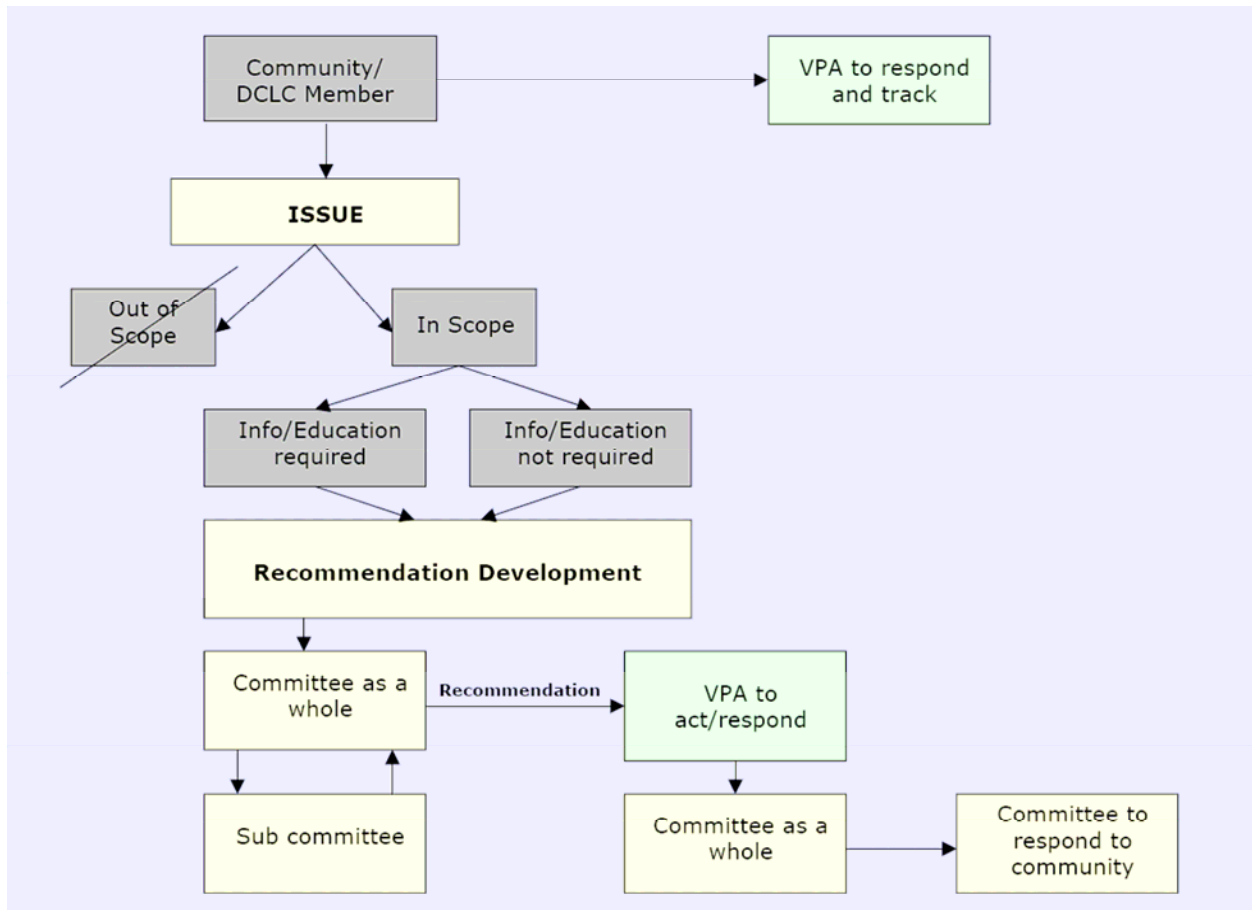
- Felt that it was good overall introduction and there is interest to go deeper on specific issues.
- Felt it was useful and people were pleased to learn and discover facts about key topics.

### **Amenities Program**

- Comments and clarification by Lori Lindahl regarding recent confusion and media coverage:
  - Not the intent to exclude Corporation of Delta.
  - Was presented to DCLC as an idea for input not a decision that had been made by VPA.
  - Realize that it is out of scope of the committee mandate.
  - There are no legal requirements for VPA to allocate this money.
  - VPA felt that the DCLC, as representatives of the community, would have some ideas and suggestions about how to allocate this money in a way that supports the community.
  - Money required to address a construction or operational issue would NOT come from this fund. (This is money for community enhancement and amenities).
  - There have been discussions regarding this fund between VPA and the Corporation of Delta and it was acknowledged that there may have been some confusion and misunderstanding regarding the intention to include DCLC.
- Agreement that DCLC will revisit the nature of their involvement/role with the Amenities Program based on the results/outcomes of the VPA – Corporation of Delta discussions.

## Confirmation of Committee Process

- Agreed on the following process:



## Confirmation of May 1 Decisions

- Agreed on process for determining if an issue is in or out of scope (is it related to DP3 construction or operation)
- Agreed that there is need to be educated on issues in order to be able to develop recommendations (June 11<sup>th</sup> was intended to help address this)
- VPA would distribute: general update information, construction schedule/gant chart
- VPA would contact BC Rail to provide update/information to DCLC
- Agreed to table a set of issues: Roberts Bank Stewardship Committee, Causeway wires bird study, delays at grade crossings
- Agreed on a list of "in-scope" items
- Agreed on a list of "out-of-scope"
- Identified a communications sub committee to recommend strategy at June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting

- Agreed to June 26<sup>th</sup> as the date that worked for the majority
- Agreed that VPA would create a table that presents rationale for in/out of scope issues

### Update from Communications Committee

- Met once and had several email conversations.
- Recommendations:
  - Create an identifiable logo or graphic that gives a distinct identity to the DCLC, independent from the VPA.
  - Create a website separate from the VPA's to share committee information.
  - DCLC needs a forum for sharing what they are learning as they go along.
  - Felt the best "spokesperson" for the Committee would continue to be the Committee as a whole and not an appointed spokesperson – committee as a whole acknowledged that this could change over time.
- Strong support for an independent identity – all very pleased with the report from the subcommittee
- A written copy of the sub-committee's recommendations provided (attachment 1)
- **ACTION:** Sub-committee will prepare a more comprehensive proposal to include funding requirements for presentation at the September 6, 2007 meeting.

### Noise Issue

- Update from Lori Lindahl
  - Written summary from Darrell Desjardin (see attachment 2)
  - Key point: Data is currently being collected to build a sufficient case to present to the sub-contractor. VPA has hired BKL Consulting and they are setting up a noise monitoring on Vic Rivers property.
- Key Questions/Issues
  - What are the "levels" that were agreed to in the original plan? (Note: Delta does not have specific noise levels that must be adhered to.)
  - On what basis/source were these determined to be acceptable?
- Committee Comments
  - Committee agreed that this is an issue that should be addressed by a sub-committee
  - A committee member will be receiving a report from the company owner on June 27.

- Vic Rivers noted that he took a site visit by boat to take noise readings near the dredge and noted that the readings were very high. Noted frustration that noise issues have not been addressed. Feels that dredging should not occur in the evening hours with current noise levels.
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- Agreements
  - Committee agreed to a noise sub-committee headed by Vic Rivers. Members of sub-committee are: Farida Bishay, Vic Rivers and Mike Owen is to continue to stay on top of the issue and to report back to the committee.

## Meeting Process

Committee agreed to the following process for preparing for each meeting:

1. Agree on 3 issues to be explored at the next meeting.
2. Identify the most pressing questions relative to each issue – all questions to be submitted to VPA 1 week prior to the meeting (so that the expert can be sufficiently briefed)
3. VPA source a content expert who can speak to the questions.

Committee agreed to the following meeting process:

### Recent Issues (limited to 20 minutes):

Table issues (e.g. decision to eliminate Life Boat Society raised by Mike O. at the end of the meeting) – committee to quickly determine:

1. Is it in or out of scope?
2. Does it require the input of the whole committee?
3. Could a sub-group explore the issue?
4. Is it an issue that VPA should address directly?

Note: Ideally these issues would be presented 1 week in advance as part of the agenda preparation. It was acknowledged that issues raised by individual community members directly with VPA should be addressed and updates brought to the committee. The committee does not want to have members of the community feeling that it takes weeks or even months to have their issues heard. AND – the committee wants to hear about how issues are responded to.

### Issue #1 – 3 (max of 1 hour per issue)

For each issue we will, in general, follow this process:

1. Expert response to questions (15 minutes max.)
2. Q & A/discussion with the group to confirm understanding, identify further questions (30 min max.)
3. Committee discussion regarding outstanding concerns and possible recommendations (15 min max.)

Note: it was acknowledged that some issues might require a full hour, others might only require 15-20 minutes.

### **Identify issues and key questions for next meeting.**

#### **Agreement:**

We will experiment with this process at the next meeting, focusing on the following 3 issues:

1. Air Quality (VPA will try and secure an expert from GVRD)
2. Wildlife Management (Darrell D. will speak to the key questions)
3. Hwy 17 (Darrell D. will speak to the key questions)

Other outstanding notes/comments

- Add a column noting what is active and inactive. Need a mechanism or column for determining quickly what has been addressed and how.
- Rail speed/noise. For example Bob Campbell and Panorama Ridge. Mike Owen would like a written explanation.

#### **Tour**

Tour dates are July 10 or July 12 at 5PM. Members to sign up on sheet provided.

### **Confirm date, content and preparation required for next meeting**

- Next meeting on July 3, 2007.
- Mike Schneider, Clint Morgan and Alan Caldwell cannot make it to the July 3, 2007 meeting.
- Maria Devries or Peter Roaf will attend in Clint's place to represent Delta Chamber.

### **July 3rd Agenda:**

Review of notes and table of any outstanding issues:

- Air Quality - (Darrell Desjardin and GVRD presentation, if appropriate)
- Is the port bound by the GVRD standards or is it some other standard? Based on answer to this question, the appropriate regulatory authority should be in attendance at the next meeting.
  - What are the standards against which VPA held?
  - Who is regulatory authority?
  - What did VPA commit to as part of environmental assessment?
  - Who is monitoring, at what stages and how will results be communicated
  - What are the results of monitoring thus far and has there been any mitigation
  - Have there been any public complaints?
  - Status report on where air quality monitoring stations will be placed.

- How can you identify source of air quality issues? How is source being determined and how is VPA's contribution to this being measured? Is it the ferry terminal, Nanaimo pulp mill or VPA?
- What is the municipality's position?
- Is there existing data about air quality? Can we compare today's data with new data after operation of DP3?
- Is there data to compare construction through first year operation?
- What are the stats?

Highway 17 (Who?)

- What did VPA agree to regarding Highway 17?
- What is being done?
- Who is involved?
- What are the most significant impacts from DP3?
- What commitments has VPA made? (Note: Committee would like to hold VPA accountable to these commitments)
- How do we determine "whose trucks are whose". The public has the perception that all trucks are VPA's. Can VPA give some data on how many trucks are VPA's? BC Ferries? What portion of the trucks are actually VPA's.

Wildlife Issues (Darrell Desjardin)

- Answers regarding osprey nest per Roger Emsley's June 26 email.
- What wildlife is being impacted and how?

**Other Business:**

**FOLLOW-UP REQUIRED:** Mike Owen not satisfied with answer regarding Life Boat Society. Needs a satisfactory answer to share with the Life Boat Society.

**FOLLOW-UP REQUIRED:** Mike Owen needs a written explanation of status of rail noise in Panorama Ridge in order to respond to Bob Campbell.

**SUGGESTION:** Please note date of issue on the bottom of all documents distributed.

**Future meeting dates:**

July 3, 2007	Regular Meeting
September 6, 2007	Regular Meeting
October 25, 2007	Regular Meeting
November 29, 2007	Regular Meeting