



Sto:lo Collective - Commonage Lands Meeting

April 14, 2022 | 9:00 am
ZOOM Audio/Visual Meeting Minutes

Present:

Chairperson
Recording Secretary

Squiala Chief David Jimmie
Abby Duncan

Leq'á:mel

Councillor Sandy McDonald

Matsqui

Chief Alice McKay
Councillor Brenda Morgan

Popkum

Band Manager, Brandon Murphy

Shxwhá:y

Councillor Tyrell Kenworthy

Skawahlook

Councillor Debra Schneider

Skowkale

Chief Mark Point

Tzeachten

Councillor Sandra Bonner-Pedderson
Councillor Tony Malloway
Councillor Loren Muth
Councillor Melvin Williams

Yakweakwioose

Councillor Jazmine Horne

Cheam

Councillor Annie Silver
Councillor Luke Pike

Seabird Island

Councillor Stacy McNeil

SSA Executive Director

Willy Hall

Absent

Aitchelitz, Sumas, Chawathil, Kwantlen, Kwaw-Kwaw-Apilt, Scowlitz, Shxw'ówhámél, Soowahlie, Skwah.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at: 9:15 am

1.0 Chairperson discussed the most effective process moving forward would be to keep the one “Collective” Group Meetings going forward without adding Committee Meetings, since both meetings are attended by the same members.

- a. All meeting minutes and action items will be distributed to everyone.
- b. A spreadsheet with all the concepts and ideas to track them and brought into focus for greater discussion.
- c. Priority is to complete the Additions to Reserve (ATR) process without losing sight of the discussion to date.
- d. Plan to hold a Strategic Planning Session to establish values and vision of the properties will be critical moving forward.

2.0 Updates from the March 3, 2022 Committee Meeting Minutes

2.1 Purpose of Committee

- a. Focus on completing the ATR
- b. Outline the potential structure:
 - Potential free legal assistance may be leveraged through the Land Advisory Board (LAB) with 19/21 in land code; 2 in development stage.
 - Identify if there are consultants and resources for funding opportunities.
- c. Record keeping: Minutes, Action Items, and the Collective’s Land Use Concepts and Ideas Spreadsheet will be recorded and shared.

2.2 Structure

- a. LAB may be able to provide experience with collective initiatives and be able to provide suggestions on structure and voting rights.
- b. Language in Land Code to include the 3 properties.
LAB: legal language for land code amendments pending.

2.3 Administration

- a. Willy Hall and staff have offered administrative support until the Collective Administration is established.
- b. Legal assistance pending from LAB.

3.0 Chairperson’s recap and closing remarks

- LAB will look at financial support for amending codes and voting requirements – the result will be circulated to the collective. If support is not provided, the collective will take recommendations, if any, on someone who is knowledgeable with land code, structure, and entity.

- Other funding opportunities: \$600,000 held in trust back to the entity, Indigenous Services Canada (ISC), and New Relationship Trust (governance).

- Highest and Best Use study will come at a later date.

- Secretariat will be Stó:lō Nation for now, providing administrative support; meeting minutes, communication with LAB and others and ensuring information is shared.

- Create and maintain the “Collective Lands Concepts and Ideas” spreadsheet.

- Create a Collective Management Plan; Coqualeetza, Pekw'Xe:yles, and Xá:ytem.
- Review BCR at next meeting.

4.0 Scheduling

Sto:lo Collective - Commonage Lands Meeting

June 2, 2022

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Government House, Building 8B, 7201 Vedder Road, Chilliwack

In-person and ZOOM Meeting

(Abby sent out meeting invitation to all on April 14, 2022)

5.0 Action Items from today's meeting:

#	April 14, 2022	Target	Person(s)
6	Interest rate % of \$600,000 funds held in trust.	ASAP	SSA staff
7	Review Coqualeetza ATR BCR Draft	June 2, 2022	SSA staff
8	Create/maintain "Properties Concepts and Ideas"	April 25, 2022	Abby
9	Draft a letter of history, properties debt explanation, lease explanation and request the bands willingness to contribute \$600,000 held in trust back to the collective for the budget. (internal communication for funds)	ASAP	SSA staff
10	Circulate 2005 Joint Reserve Management Agreement	ASAP	SSA staff

Meeting concluded at 10:30 am