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# Board in Brief

**For Metro Vancouver meeting on Friday, January 30, 2009**

*Please note these are not the official minutes. Board in Brief is an informal summary. Material relating to any of the following items is available on request.*

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## Greater Vancouver Regional District

### 2009 Metro Vancouver Sustainability Report

**Endorsed**

The board endorsed the 2009 Metro Vancouver Sustainability Report and referred the document to municipalities as well as other agencies and organizations engaged in and contributing to making Metro Vancouver a sustainable region.

The report summarizes information and trends about 16 subject areas: Drinking water, liquid waste, solid waste, land use and transportation, air quality, outdoor recreation, housing, financial management, climate change, ecological health, agriculture, economy, energy, public health, arts and culture and community engagement.

### FCM Release of "Shovel Ready" Municipal Infrastructure Projects - Metro Vancouver Contribution

**Received**

Federation of Canadian Municipalities staff asked Metro Vancouver to contribute to a list of infrastructure projects that was submitted to the federal government and released to the media on Jan. 14, 2009. Metro Vancouver's submitted a list of 160 projects with a capital cost of more than \$885 million.

### Metro Vancouver Appointments to External Agencies – 2009

**Received**

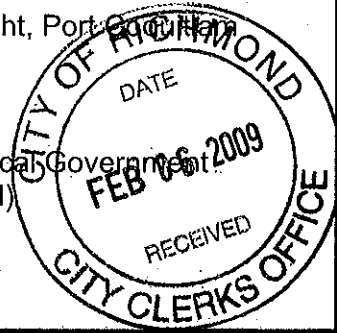
An on-table report by Board Chair Lois Jackson named the appointments to external committees and agencies for this year:

Agricultural Advisory Committee: Harold Steves (Richmond)

Board of Trustees of the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department: Michael Wright, Port Moody

Delta Heritage Airpark Management Committee: Scott Hamilton (Delta)

Flood Control and River Management Committee of the Lower Mainland Local Government Association: Mel Kositsky (Langley Township) and Linda Barnes (Richmond)



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Fraser Basin Council: Richard Walton (District of North Vancouver)

Fraser Valley Regional Library Board: Gayle Martin (City of Langley)

Greater Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau: Mae Reid (Coquitlam) or Barry Lynch, alternate (Coquitlam)

GVRD/UBC (University of British Columbia) Joint Committee: Maria Harris (Electoral Area A), Andrea Reimer (Vancouver), Tim Stevenson (Vancouver), Richard Walton, alternate (District of North Vancouver)

International Centre for Sustainable Cities: Derek Corrigan (Burnaby)

Lower Mainland Local Government Association: Heather Deal (Vancouver)

Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee: Ralph Drew (Belcarra)

Municipal Finance Authority, Representatives: Malcolm Brodie (Richmond), Derek Corrigan (Burnaby), Gayle Martin (City of Langley), Darrell Mussatto (City of North Vancouver), Don MacLean (Pitt Meadows), Tim Stevenson (Vancouver), Richard Walton (District of North Vancouver), Diane Watts (Surrey), Wayne Wright (New Westminster)

Pacific Parklands Foundation: Mel Kositsky (Township of Langley)

Regional Parks Forum: Bruce Drake (Belcarra)

Western Transportation Advisory Council: Lois Jackson (Delta) or Derek Corrigan, alternate (Burnaby)

### **2009 Board Regular Meeting Dates**

**Approved**

By resolution, the regional district board approved dates for board meetings this year. All meetings begin at 9 a.m. Except for a meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 21, all meetings are on Fridays. The meeting dates:

Friday, February 27; Friday, March 27; Friday, April 24; Friday, May 15; Friday, May 29; Friday, June 12; Friday, June 26; Friday, July 17; Friday, July 31; Friday, Sept. 11; Friday, Sept. 25; Friday, Oct. 16; Wednesday, Oct. 21; Friday, Oct. 30; Friday, Nov. 13; Friday, Nov. 27; Friday, Dec. 11.

## **Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District**

### **Inquiry Officer Report Re: Canfor Lands**

**Received**

In a Nov. 27, 2008 report, Inquiry Officer Bernd Walter reported on the results of an inquiry into proposed expropriation by the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District. In April 2008, the GVS&DD filed expropriation notices for seven parcels of land at 430 Canfor Avenue in New Westminster – property referred to as the Canfor lands. In May 2008, the Vancouver Port Authority filed a notice of a request for an inquiry and the B.C. Attorney General appointed an inquiry officer.

Two delegations – Helen Spiegelman, of Zero Waste Vancouver, and Joe Foy, of the Wilderness Committee, spoke Jan. 30 in opposition to the proposed expropriation.

### **Proposed Expropriation of the Canfor lands**

**Rejected**

After reviewing and considering the inquiry report, the board voted to reject the proposed expropriation of the Canfor lands.

## **Greater Vancouver Water District**

### **5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum – Istanbul 2009**

**Approved**

The Board approved the attendance of the Chair of the Water Committee (Director Tim Stevenson) at the 5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum, being held March 16-22, 2009 in Istanbul, Turkey at an approximate cost of \$15,500.

### **Village of Belcarra Membership to the Greater Vancouver Water District**

**Received**

The proposed entry of the Village of Belcarra into the Greater Vancouver Water District was subject to several conditions. The conditions were met and Belcarra became a member of the water district on December 10, 2008.