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December Trust Council Program Announced

VICTORIA - The Islands Trust Council will hold its next quarterly business meeting December 8-10, 2009 at ArtSpring on Salt Spring Island. The public meeting starts December 8 at 1:45 p.m. and finishes by 2:00 p.m., December 10.

The 26-member Council makes decisions about overall policy, staff resources and financial management for the Islands Trust and has broad responsibilities to uphold the Islands Trust mandate. Trust Council invites members of the public to participate in a town hall session, a regular forum to promote informal dialogue between islanders and trustees, starting at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 9. Persons or organizations wishing to reserve time to make a formal delegation to the Islands Trust Council at the beginning of the town hall session must receive an appointment through the Executive Committee. Please forward your request to the Islands Trust Victoria office, to the attention of Marie Smith (email: msmith@islandstrust.bc.ca; fax: 250.405.5155) including the subject, and the speaker's name and address, by Tuesday, November 24. Guidelines to help those planning a presentation to Council are available on the Islands Trust website at: www.islandstrust.bc.ca/tc/addresstips.cfm. Please note that the Islands Trust Council does not make local land use decisions, which are the responsibility of the local trustees within their respective local trust area. A copy of the agenda package for the December Council meeting will be available for viewing at our Victoria, Salt Spring and Gabriola offices after December 1.

Trust Council Sessions will include:

Tuesday, December 8

Intro 2010-2011 Budget Session – This session will provide an overview of the Islands Trust budget process, the base budget, potential new programs and revenue requirements. This session will prepare trustees for the decisions regarding the 2010-2011 budget that they will make at the March 2010 Trust Council meeting.

“Next Door to Nature” Visitor Education Project – Salt Spring and Southern Gulf Islands Electoral Area Directors will present trustees with an opportunity to view a series of visitor education videos prior to their general release.

Trustee Forum/Roundtable – Trustees will have an opportunity to discuss and learn from each other about issues, experiences and challenges that are common to island communities.

Wednesday, December 9

Trust Fund Board Session – Trustees will have an in-depth session about the important role the Trust Fund Board plays in land conservation throughout the Islands Trust Area.

Delegations and Town Hall Session – Trust Council encourages members of the public to participate in dialogue between islanders and the trustees. The public is invited to discuss issues, ask questions and make suggestions about the work of the Islands Trust.

Thursday, December 10

Refresher on Orientation Topics – A year into their current term of office, trustees will have an opportunity to review some of the topics covered during their initial orientation, and to ask questions.

Planning Session - Trustees will receive presentations on the status of riparian area regulations mapping and greenhouse gas emission reduction work and an update from the Community Housing Task Force, followed by a review of work programs and priorities with trustees and staff from the Northern, Southern and Salt Spring planning teams.

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Attached: 3 day agenda program

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December 2009 Islands Trust Council Agenda Program

Meeting Location: ArtSpring, 100 Jackson Avenue
Salt Spring Island

Revised: Nov 6/09

| | Tuesday, December 8 | Wednesday, December 9 | Thursday, December 10 |
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| A.M. | | 8:30 – 10:30 Decision and Information Items 10:30 – 10:45 Break 10:45– 11:45 Trust Fund Board Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governance and Jurisdiction • Successes | 8:30 – 9:15 **Closed Meeting** <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAO Session • Litigation Update 9:15 – 10:00 Refresher on Orientation Topics 10:00 – 10:15 Break 10:15 – 12:15 Planning Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riparian Area Regulations Mapping • Community Housing Task Force Update • Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Work |
| P.M. | 1:40 Call to Order/Notice of New Items 1:45 – 3:15 Intro 2010-2011 Budget Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Plan Items • Budget Implications 3:15 – 3:35 “Next Door to Nature” Visitor Education Project (CRD) 3:35 – 3:50 Break 3:50 -5:30 Trustee Forum/Roundtable | 11:45 – 1:00 Lunch 1:00 – 2:00 Delegations and Town Hall 2:00 – 4:45 Decision and Information Items 3:30 – 3:45 Break | 12:15 – 12:45 Lunch 12:45 – 2:15 Planning Session (cont'd) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Meetings 2:15 Meeting adjourned (approx) |
| | | 5:30 – 9:30 35th Anniversary Celebration Dinner, Dessert & Live Auction, Gulf Islands Secondary School – <i>tickets available through ArtSpring ticket office 1-866-537-2102</i> | |

** Members of the public are invited to attend all sessions except any closed meetings and meals.