



## ISLANDS TRUST ALL-CANDIDATES MEETING

**On Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 7 - 9pm**, an all-candidates meeting will be hosted at the hall. With the local government election approaching on October 15, the LCA is pleased to host its customary All Candidates Meeting to allow the public hear from the candidates for Lasqueti Island's Trustee (Islands Trust) and Regional Director (qathet Regional District).

Each candidate will be allowed a short opening statement. This will be followed by questions from the public to one or more candidates. At the end, candidates will also be allowed a short closing statement. The event will be moderated by the LCA executive.

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**NOTES FROM TIM:** At the final meeting of the Local Trust committee, August 29th, we opted to put the OCP Project on hold until after the election, October 15. We have several referrals requested of the Area Planning Commission about the OCP but were unable to appoint a new APC due to a lack of people expressing interest. The APC serves an important advisory role to our local government, so please consider putting in an expression of interest when the next request comes out, likely in October's paper.

If you'd like to know more about the APC, please ask Peter, me, or any former Trustee or APC member. We also requested staff to prepare amendments to the Meeting Procedures Bylaw for review at the next meeting and heard an update from our Senior Freshwater Specialist.

The next meeting is November 28, following the election in October. I'll be skipping Trustee notes for October while the election period is open, but if re-elected I'll resume reporting then. In the meanwhile, get out and talk to your local candidates, and be sure to vote in October. And please consider joining the APC!

Thank you for all of your support during this term as your Trustee.

Tim Peterson



Islands Trust

**NOTES FROM PETER:** The last scheduled meeting of the current Lasqueti Trust Committee will have been held on August 29. The draft minutes from it will be available when the agenda package for the first LTC meeting of the next term is published, about a week before its current scheduled date, November 28. The agenda package for the August meeting will still be available on the Trust web site, and a recording of the meeting will probably be posted there by the time you read this, or very shortly afterwards.

The Lasqueti Island Local Trust Committee (to give it its full legal name) is a separate, legally constituted body of the Islands Trust, with responsibility for land use planning for Lasqueti and its surrounding islands. It is obligated to comply with the Trust object or mandate (“to preserve and protect ...”) and with the Directive policies of the Trust’s Policy Statement, but other than that it is independent and free to follow community wishes, or whatever the wisdom of the two locally elected trustees and the chair (appointed by the chair of the Trust Council from the trustees elected to the Executive Committee) happens to be. LTC meeting agenda package and meeting recording will be at <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/event/lasqueti-island-local-trust-committee-16/>

Trust Council’s last meeting of the term is September 20 to 22. Delegations and Public Comment session is Tuesday evening 7 to 9pm, Sept 20. The entire meeting is held electronically. The agenda package will be posted about September 13, and information about how to listen (by telephone, toll-free) or listen and watch (via the internet) will be posted at <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/event/trust-council-sept-2022/>

Trust Council is made up of the 26 trustees elected from the 13 islands (including Bowen Island Municipality) that make up the Islands Trust. They set broad policy and review the activities at meetings held four times each year (with one additional meeting after local elections to orient trustees). The Executive Committee, four trustees elected by Trust council (chair and three vice-chairs) look after Trust Council business between Council meetings, aided by the Chief Administrative Officer and senior staff members.

If anyone has questions or comments, please let one of your trustees know, or all of us and our planner at [LasquetiIslandLocalTrustCommittee@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:LasquetiIslandLocalTrustCommittee@islandstrust.bc.ca)

It has been, mostly, a pleasure to serve as one of your trustees for seven of the past ten years. I will continue to be involved in community and island issues. My term ends on the day that the newly elected trustees are sworn in, probably at the beginning of the November 1 to 3 Trust council meeting to be held in Victoria. Peter

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REGIONAL DISTRICT

### REGIONAL DISTRICT NEWS

The scattering golden hues of the first falling leaves portend changes soon to come.

**LIVFD Dispatch System Survey:** Thanks to everyone who filled the survey. I don't yet know when the results will be released. There are no Board meetings in Oct (due to the election), so results might not be released until Nov.

**LIVFD Honourariums:** I continue to advocate for fair and full allocation of honourariums for all LIVFD members. The next step is for staff to recommend a draft policy to the Board (with input from regional fire chiefs). A timeframe for this hasn't yet been provided to the Board. When this draft honourarium policy comes before the Board, there will be an opportunity for public input, and potential for the Board to make revisions as needed.

**Election Candidacy (Election Day: Oct 15):** I have submitted my candidacy papers, and so have officially stepped up to run again as your Regional Director. Last month, I outlined the main topics on which I would like

to focus if I am re-elected, including completing the dispatch issue, working on equitable allocation of LIVFD honourariums, working with LIVFD on emergency incident location/mapping, clarifying the community preferences for use of the parking lot near the Arts Centre, and improving waste management. In addition, I would continue to work with the qRD to liaise with the Connected Coast and LIAS regarding the fibre optic project underway to improve internet connection in rural coastal communities, including public consultation as early in the process as possible (I will write on this once I have any new information).

If there are other regional issues of interest to you, please let me know.

### Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) convention: Sept 12-16

I will be attending the UBCM convention to work with local governments from across BC to advocate to the Province on issues of interest to communities (or to argue against advocacy proposals from other local governments that are not supportable). The qRD Board will also meet with Minister Heyman, Ministry of Environment, to advocate for the Province to take more action to prevent Styrofoam from entering the sea where it harms the marine ecosystem and food supply (as well as for the Province to help marine-based businesses to transition to more benign alternatives).

I will only be able to return from UBCM on the afternoon of the 16th – the day before the Fall Fair (on Sat the 17th). This means that the Fall Fair team needs additional help with set up and organization – please consider stepping up to help.

Please feel free to contact me. I am honoured to be your regional representative.

Director Andrew Fall, qathet Regional District  
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**Let's Talk Trash**

**September 2022 - History of the Free Store:** Sometime in the early 1970's, Noel Taylor came up with the concept of a "Shop Swap" as a way for the locals to share the stuff they had hidden in their sheds, shops and attics. The first one was at the Legion (now the Arts Center grounds) and people brought boxes full of treasures (and some junk) to buy, sell and trade. While it was highly successful in