

Meeting summary notes

Port Saint John Community Liaison Committee

Meeting Details	
Date:	September 26, 2022
Time:	6 pm to 8 pm
Location:	Fundy Room, Diamond Jubilee Cruise Terminal
Attendees:	<p>Community Representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lin Zhang, North Saint John <p>Municipal and Government Representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura Lyall, City of Saint John • Kristin Duffley, Town of Rothesay • Monty Marks, Town of GrandBay Westfield • Cathy Dubee, Department of Environment, Province of New Brunswick <p>Port Leaseholders and Operators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kevin VanBeelen, Crosby • Andrew Fisher, JD Irving • Michael Blackier, Saint John LNG • Brendon Hull, DP World • Terry Wagner, Area506 <p>Community Groups, NGOs & Business Associations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary LeSage, PULSE • Jen Brown, Carleton Community Centre • Tamara Kelly, One Change • Jillian MacKinnon, Envision Saint John • David Duplisea, Saint John Regional Chamber of Commerce • Roxanne MacKinnon, ACAP Saint John <p>Port Saint John (PSJ)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig Bell Estabrooks, CEO • Paula Copeland, VP, Engagement & Sustainability • Chisom Ezeh, Community Coordinator • Alex Calvin, Sr. Director, Infrastructure & Asset Planning • Jane Burchill, Communications & Sustainability Specialist
Regrets:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nancy Tissington, Uptown Saint John • Douglas Doney, Nutrien • Michael Cormier, AIM Saint John • Kyle Gulliver, Community Representative – Town of Quispamsis

Agenda Items	Discussion/Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and land acknowledgment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paula Copeland (PSJ) gave the land acknowledgement and briefly mentioned the purpose of the group.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roundtable introduction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone introduced themselves and mentioned what they hoped to achieve from the committee.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEO's greetings 	<p>Craig Estabrooks, CEO Port Saint John, talked on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Port Saint John hit a record high in container volumes so far this year - 100,000 TEUs on September 19, a major achievement for the Port. • The Port has been on an exponential growth over the past 6 years. • The return of cruise after the pandemic has been highly successful. Port Saint John will record its 3 millionth cruise passenger this September since cruising started in Saint John in 1989. • ILA 273 has been hiring over the past several months and are once again calling for applications. • The Port's partnership with the government and other stakeholders has been instrumental in the successes.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Discussion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee members were asked to indicate their interest in serving as the committee chair. The decision will be made at the next meeting. • The Terms of Reference was reviewed and approved by all. • Members were invited to suggest other meeting venues, dates and times. • The group decided the committee would meet at least three times a year for now.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation and discussion 	<p>Paula Copeland shared a presentation on the current strategic framework of the Port:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Port Saint John manages properties on behalf of the federal government and is regulated by the federal government. • The Port is in the process of redefining its mission, vision and values and look forward to sharing these at the next meeting. This will follow the new strategic plan. • There are 17 Ports in Canada and Port Saint John is positioned in the top 5 both by volume of business and revenue. <p>Alex Calvin (PSJ) shared a presentation on the West Side Modernization project:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The modernization project started in 2016 and phase 1 will be completed in early 2023. The second phase (known as Enhanced Modernization) will be completed in 2024/25. • The project is in phases and will increase the Port’s capacity to import and export containerized goods in and out of New Brunswick from around 125,000 TEUS to 300,000 TEUs by early next year, and 800,000 TEUs (by the end of 2024) • The project will increase the supply chain efficiency for Canadian shippers. • This project’s components include building a new pier, deepening and widening the main channel in the harbour, deepening the berth at the new pier, all of which will allow for larger ships at the new pier. In addition, the project will increase dock rail from 3,000 square feet to 6,000 square feet, modernization and upgrade the terminal truck gate entrance and technology, which will enhance surface traffic flow in the terminal. To complement this project, early in 2023, DP World will take delivery of 2 super post-Panamax cranes at the new pier. These are larger than the current container cranes at the Port and will bring the number of container cranes on our waterfront to 4. This will also allow 2 container vessels to be serviced at the same time. <p>Discussion Highlights In order to encourage dialogue, Jane Burchill (PSJ) led the group through a table-based discussion exercise of coming up with three negative impacts caused by activities within the Port and their possible solutions. After discussion, some of the negative impacts discussed were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noise – the suggestion is to install a noise barrier in affected areas. • Cruise emission – install shore power to reduce cruise emissions. • Port transition zones near community – industrial-looking lands near the community should be made more visually appealing. • Air pollution – install emission monitors to assess impact on air quality, reporting on the results on a public site.
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Action Items

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Share talking point documents to every member	Chisom Ezeh	Completed
Send out survey to determine topics of interest to committee members	Chisom Ezeh	Completed
Upload Terms of Reference to Port Saint John's website	Gillian Miller	Completed
Decide on meeting venues, time and date	Chisom Ezeh	Ongoing
Decision on committee chair and vice-chair	Paula Copeland	Ongoing