

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO HELD ON
TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2012 AT 7:00 PM IN THE
RDN BOARD CHAMBERS**

Director J. Stanhope	Chairperson
Director D. Brennan	Deputy Chairperson
Director A. McPherson	Electoral Area A
Director H. Houle	Electoral Area B
Alternate	
Director C. Pinker	Electoral Area C
Alternate	
Director F. Van Eynde	Electoral Area E
Alternate	
Director L. Salter	Electoral Area F
Director W. Veenhof	Electoral Area H
Alternate	
Director C. Burger	City of Parksville
Director D. Willie	Town of Qualicum Beach
Director B. Dempsey	District of Lantzville
Director J. Ruttan	City of Nanaimo
Director D. Johnstone	City of Nanaimo
Director B. Bestwick	City of Nanaimo
Alternate	
Director B. McKay	City of Nanaimo
Director T. Greves	City of Nanaimo
Alternate	
Director F. Pattje	City of Nanaimo

Regrets:	Director M. Young	Electoral Area C
	Director G. Holme	Electoral Area E
	Director J. Fell	Electoral Area F
	Director M. Lefebvre	City of Parksville
	Director J. Kipp	City of Nanaimo
	Director G. Anderson	City of Nanaimo

Also in Attendance:

C. Mason	Chief Administrative Officer
W. Idema	Director of Finance
P. Thorkelsson	Gen. Mgr., Strategic & Community Development
S. DePol	A/Gen. Mgr., Regional & Community Utilities
D. Trudeau	Gen. Mgr., Transportation & Solid Waste Services
T. Osborne	Gen. Mgr., Recreation & Parks Services
N. Tonn	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson welcomed Directors Pinker, Van Eynde, Salter, Burger, McKay and Pattje to the meeting.

DELEGATIONS

Karen Hunter, Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Foundation, re Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Reserve UNESCO Designation.

Ms. Hunter provided a verbal and visual background presentation on the Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Foundation and the Reserve's UNESCO designation at this time. She asked that the Regional District of Nanaimo hold future discussions regarding creation of a Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Reserve Committee to oversee the Reserve.

BOARD MINUTES

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Houle, that the minutes of the regular Board meeting held Tuesday, June 26, 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Laurie Gourlay, Mid Island Sustainability & Stewardship Initiative, re 'Green Gateway' Proposal.

MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Van Eynde, that the correspondence from Laurie Gourlay, regarding the Green Gateway proposal, be received.

CARRIED

Paul Grinder, Arrowsmith Parks and Land-Use Council, re Clarification on Future Relationship Between Arrowsmith Parks and Land-Use Council and Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Reserve.

MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Van Eynde, that the correspondence from Paul Grinder, Arrowsmith Parks and Land Use Council, regarding the future relationship between Arrowsmith Parks and Land-Use Council and Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Reserve, be received.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BYLAW ADOPTION

Amendment Bylaw No. 1285.17, 2012 – Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2009-040 – Keith Brown Associates Ltd. – Oceanside Storage Inc. – 1270 & 1274 Alberni Highway, Area 'F'.

MOVED Director Salter, SECONDED Director McPherson, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Zoning and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 1285.17, 2012" be adopted.

CARRIED

STANDING COMMITTEE, SELECT COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ELECTORAL AREA PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Ruttan, that the minutes of the Electoral Area Planning Committee meeting held Tuesday, July 10, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

PLANNING

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Development Permit Application No. PL2012-068 – Barwil Builders Ltd. – 822 Mariner Way, Area ‘G’.

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Salter, that Development Permit Application No. PL2012-068 to permit the construction of a deck to the existing dwelling unit be approved subject to the conditions outlined in Schedules 1 to 4.

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2012-064– Fern Road Consulting – 3477 Schooner Road, Area ‘E’.

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director McPherson, that Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2012-064 to vary the minimum setback from 8.0 metres to 0.0 metres inland from the top of a slope of 30% or greater for a proposed dwelling unit and accessory building; to vary the maximum permitted height from 8.0 metres to 10.7 metres for a proposed dwelling unit; and to vary the maximum permitted height from 6.0 metres to 7.4 metres for a proposed accessory building be approved.

CARRIED

Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2012-073 – David West – 1340 Tyler Road, Area ‘F’.

MOVED Director Salter, SECONDED Director McPherson, that Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2012-073 be approved subject to the conditions outlined in Schedules 1 to 2 as amended.

CARRIED

OTHER

Amendment Bylaw No. 500.378, 2012 – Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2012-014 – Carey Development Ltd. – 1244 & 1250 Allgard Road, Electoral Area ‘G’.

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Salter, that Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2012-014 to rezone a portion of the subject property from Residential 6 (RS6) to Rural 1 (RU1) be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Salter, that “Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 500.378, 2012” be introduced and read two times.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Salter, that the Public Hearing on “Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 500.378, 2012”, be delegated to Director Stanhope or another Area Director.

CARRIED

Amendment Bylaw No. 500.376, 2012 – Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2012-070 – Karen Kenyon, Jean-Luc Roy – Collingwood Drive, Electoral Area ‘E’.

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director McPherson, that Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2012-070 to rezone a portion of the subject property from Recreation 1 (RC1) Zone to Residential 1 (RS1) be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director McPherson, that “Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 500.376, 2012” be introduced and read two times.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director McPherson, that the Public Hearing on “Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 500.376, 2012” be delegated to Director Holme or another Area Director.

CARRIED

Request for Relaxation of the Minimum 10% Perimeter Frontage Requirement – Subdivision Application No. PL2012-047 – J.E. Anderson & Associates – 2032 Rocking Horse Place, Electoral Area ‘E’.

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director McPherson, that the request to relax the minimum 10% perimeter frontage requirement for proposed Lot A and remainder parcel in conjunction with a Section 946 subdivision application, be approved.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE STANDING COMMITTEE

MOVED Director Johnstone, SECONDED Director Ruttan, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held July 10, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Paula Young, Nanoose Place Landscaping Project, re Access Application Through Nanoose Place to Canuck Properties.

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director McPherson, that the correspondence from Paula Young be received for information.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BYLAW ADOPTION

Bylaw 1552.01, 2012 – Southern Community Search and Rescue Contribution Service Amendment Bylaw.

MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Burger, that “Southern Community Search and Rescue Contribution Service Amendment Bylaw No. 1552.01, 2012” be adopted.

CARRIED

FINANCE AND INFORMATION SERVICES

FINANCE

Report on Use of Development Cost Charges in 2011.

MOVED Director Bestwick, SECONDED Director Brennan, that the report on Development Cost Charges provided under Section 937.01 be received for information.

CARRIED

STRATEGIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CURRENT PLANNING

Agricultural Area Plan Survey Results and Status Update.

MOVED Director Johnstone, SECONDED Director Brennan, that the status update on the AAP and the “Summary of online survey results for the RDN Draft Agricultural Area Plan” be received.

CARRIED

ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY

Bylaw No. 1662 – Corporate Carbon Neutral Initiatives Fund Establishment Bylaw.

MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Bestwick, that “Corporate Carbon Neutral Initiatives Reserve Fund Establishing Bylaw No. 1662, 2012” be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Bestwick, that “Corporate Carbon Neutral Initiatives Reserve Fund Establishing Bylaw No. 1662, 2012” be adopted.

CARRIED

Release of Corporate Climate Action Reserve Funds – July 2012.

MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Bestwick, that the Board approve the release of \$84,500 from the Corporate Climate Action Reserve Fund for investment in electric vehicle procurement; a 500 kVa transformer for the Greater Nanaimo Pollution Control Centre; lighting and boiler upgrades at Ravensong Aquatic Centre and Oceanside Place; and for the regional purchase of the SmartTool.

CARRIED

REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY UTILITIES

WASTEWATER SERVICES

Vancouver Island University Woodlot Groundwater Study and Biosolids Management Contract Extension.

MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Johnstone, that the Board receive the 2012 Piteau Associates Hydrogeological Assessment of Land Application of Biosolids, Vancouver Island University Forest (WL 020) report for information.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Johnstone, that the Board approve an amendment to the Vancouver Island University biosolids management contract to extend the term of the contract to December 31, 2012, to provide additional time for staff to negotiate and prepare a new longer term partnership agreement for the management of biosolids from both the Greater Nanaimo and French Creek Pollution Control Centres.

CARRIED

RECREATION AND PARKS SERVICES

Nanoose Place Lease Agreement Renewal.

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Bestwick, that the Board approve the Lease Agreement between the Nanoose Bay Activities and Recreation Society and the Regional District of Nanaimo for the property legally described as: Lot 2, District Lot 6, Nanoose District, Plan 50996 for a five year term expiring on July 31, 2017.

CARRIED

COMMISSION, ADVISORY & SELECT COMMITTEES

Electoral Area 'G' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee.

MOVED Director Ruttan, SECONDED Director Brennan, that the minutes of the Electoral Area 'G' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee meeting held Monday, March 19, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

Electoral Area 'H' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee.

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Burger, that the minutes of the Electoral Area 'H' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee meeting held Wednesday, March 28, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

Agricultural Advisory Committee.

MOVED Director Johnstone, SECONDED Director Salter, that the minutes of the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held Friday, June 22, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

1633 Morello Road, Area 'E' – Unsightly Premises.

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Salter, that no further action be taken at this time in relation to 1633 Morello Road, as the property is substantially in compliance with "Unsightly Premises Regulatory Bylaw No. 1073, 1996".

CARRIED

SCHEDULED STANDING, ADVISORY STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Electoral Area 'E' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee.

MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Salter, that the minutes of the Electoral Area 'E' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee meeting held Monday, June 4, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

East Wellington and Pleasant Valley Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee.

MOVED Director Pinker, SECONDED Director Brennan, that the minutes of the East Wellington and Pleasant Valley Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee meeting held Monday, June 11, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

Electoral Area 'G' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee.

MOVED Director Ruttan, SECONDED Director Brennan, that the minutes of the Electoral Area 'G' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee meeting held Monday, June 25, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Burger, that staff prepare a report on the cottonwood trees bordering Boulton Park with removal costs implications, options and future plantings.

CARRIED

Electoral Area 'H' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee.

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Burger, that the minutes of the Electoral Area 'H' Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Committee meeting held Wednesday, June 27, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

Bylaw No. 1663 – Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District – 2013 Permissive Tax Exemption.

MOVED Director Dempsey, SECONDED Director Houle, that "Property Tax Exemption (Alberni-Clayoquot Mt. Arrowsmith Regional Park) Bylaw No. 1663, 2012" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Dempsey, SECONDED Director Houle, that "Property Tax Exemption (Alberni-Clayoquot Mt. Arrowsmith Regional Park) Bylaw No. 1663, 2012" be adopted.

CARRIED

Bear Awareness Education.

MOVED Director Houle, SECONDED Director Willie, that staff be directed to allocate up to \$3,000 in the Curbside Collection Program annual budget starting in 2013 for the purpose of hosting bear awareness information sessions.

CARRIED

Blue Communities Initiative.

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Houle, that the Board call on the government of Canada to support the recognition of water as a human right in international law.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Burger, SECONDED Director Willie, that the Board continue their support for publicly owned and funded water and waste water services and recognize the importance of publicly owned and operated systems when considering infrastructure funding and operation options.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Willie, that the Board support the provision and promotion of public water at recreational facilities.

A recorded vote was requested.

The motion CARRIED with Directors Stanhope, Johnstone, Van Eynde, Ruttan, McPherson, Brennan, McKay, Dempsey, Burger, Veenhof, Houle, Greves, Willie and Pinker voting in the affirmative, and Directors Bestwick, Salter and Pattje voting in the negative.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Director Johnstone, SECONDED Director Ruttan, that pursuant to Sections 90(1)(k) and 90(2)(b) of the *Community Charter*, the Board proceed to an In Camera meeting to consider discussions respecting a proposed new service, and to consider negotiations with the provincial and federal governments.

CARRIED

TIME: 7:48 PM

RISE AND REPORT

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Foundation Governance Request.

MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Houle, that the Board receive the report for information and advise the MABF that it is declining its request to establish a new service for the governance and administration of the MABR due to the incompatibility with the jurisdictional responsibility of local government.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Veenhof, that the RDN assist the MABF in developing a revised Terms of Reference to provide a restructured governance model for the MABR.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Willie, that correspondence be sent to UNESCO articulating the achievements accomplished to date within the MABR by the Regional District, Member Municipalities and First Nations and how these accomplishments have met the Statutory Framework for biosphere reserves.

CARRIED

TIME: 9:11 PM

CHAIRPERSON

Manager, Administrative Services