REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2012

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Jan 11 2012

Dear Board of Regional District Nanaimo,

I am unable to attend the Jan 10 nor the Jan 17 public meeting of the budget of RDN.
I would like to as per suggestion from Nancy A. of the finance office to submit this e-mail request.

<u>Mainly</u>, I ask that the board consider a portion of the budget to be allocated to removing the diesel generator at Horne Lake Regional Park as per discussions in the past with the parks board and Mr. Joe Stanhope and Mr. Tom Osborne, and use funding to access a less polluting option such as the natural gas access port found with in the Park facility Site or a speeded up Propane and or wind/solar powering or other options that steer away from this excess petroleum fuel usage.

This generator source has been operating at the park for several years and is the sole longest term individual polluter of the Horne Lake Valley. It would be timely to consider cleaning up our assets in our 'green areas'.

Secondly, I ask that the District consider setting aside funds to allow building a pedestrian overpass along Hwy 19a between Johnstone road / Columbia beach or Yambury road to allow safe cross Hwy passage of students, cyclists and pedestrians.

This situation is an accident waiting to happen and much discussion of this was at the public meeting of the all-candidates forum prior to the last Civic election which Mr. Stanhope attended.

Third, on a similar issue, Oceanside Middle School [OMS] is experiencing heightened traffic due to Wembley Road developments x 3 in 2012 and the Hwy 19a is not suitable for student travel-safety or cyclist's needs.

Currently the south border property alongside OMS is undergoing a development clearing and would be ideal for the District to acquire a public right-of-way from the developer for the school and the public to use as a safe alternate route to avoid both Wembley & Hwy#19a.

This subject matter of student safety also came up at the all-candidates meeting.

I request of the Board to consider setting aside a portion of the budget for this particular need.

Thankyou,

Peter Bolten, Parksville-Area "G"

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