REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 AT 7:00 PM IN THE RDN BOARD CHAMBERS

In Attendance:

Director J. Stanhope Chairperson

Director D. Brennan

Deputy Chairperson

Director A. McPherson

Director H. Houle

Director M. Young

Deputy Chairperson

Electoral Area A

Electoral Area B

Electoral Area C

Alternate

Director F. Van Eynde Electoral Area E Director J. Fell Electoral Area F Director B. Veenhof Electoral Area H District of Lantzville Director J. de Jong Director J. Ruttan City of Nanaimo Director B. Bestwick City of Nanaimo Director T. Greves City of Nanaimo Director D. Johnstone City of Nanaimo City of Nanaimo Director J. Kipp

Alternate

Director F. Pattje City of Nanaimo
Director M. Lefebvre City of Parksville

Director D. Willie Town of Qualicum Beach

Regrets:

Director G. Holme Electoral Area E
Director G. Anderson City of Nanaimo

Also in Attendance:

P. Thorkelsson Chief Administrative Officer
J. Harrison Director of Corporate Services

W. Idema Director of Finance

R. Alexander Gen. Mgr. Regional & Community Utilities
G. Garbutt Gen. Mgr. Strategic & Community Development

T. Osborne Gen. Mgr. Recreation & Parks

D. Trudeau Gen. Mgr. Transportation & Solid Waste

J. Hill Mgr. Administrative Services

C. Golding Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order and welcomed Alternate Directors' Van Eynde and Pattje to the meeting.

DELEGATIONS

Diane Cornish, Gabriola Historical and Museum Society, re Society Activities and Use of Funds.

Diane Cornish presented a slide show detailing the activities and exhibits that have been featured this year, and provided an overview of the society's use of the funding provided by the Regional District.

Jillian Kim, re Request for Bylaw 500 Amendment to Permit Chickens on Smaller Parcels.

Jillian Kim expressed how having hens has benefited her family and shared her view that raising backyard hens on smaller lots is feasible and environmentally friendly, and can be done safely without creating health or noise concerns.

Clinton Murray, re 1673 Gerrand Road - Electoral Area 'A' - Unsightly Premises.

Clinton Murray expressed his concern for his property value, and safety due to the sanitation issues, rodents, and lack of running water and power due to the unsightly premises next door to his home.

Lori Spoor, re 1673 Gerrand Road – Electoral Area 'A' – Unsightly Premises.

Lori Spoor shared her concerns regarding the worsening state of her neighbor's property and for her family's health and safety due to the increase of rodents, lack of running water, and power.

Allen Lauriente, re 1673 Gerrand Road – Electoral Area 'A' – Unsightly Premises.

Allen Lauriente expressed his concerns regarding the state of his neighbor's property and the effects it is having on the enjoyment of his own property and stated that the problem needs to be dealt with for the health and safety of the neighborhood.

Scott Morrison, Zero Waste Canada, re Zero Waste Alliance Conference, October 2 – 4, 2014.

Scott Morrison shared a brief history of Zero Waste Canada and asked for the Board's support in leaving a legacy in Nanaimo by sponsoring reduced ticket prices for students and Regional District Solid Waste Advisory Committee members to attend the Zero Waste Alliance Conference.

LATE DELEGATIONS

14-626 MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Young, that late delegations be permitted to address the Board.

CARRIED

Lehann Wallace, re Wildflower Application.

Lehann Wallace provided an update to the Board on the activities and efforts of the citizen's group opposed to the wildflower application and stated her concerns for the residents in the surrounding area should the application be approved.

BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held Tuesday, August 26, 2014.

14-627 MOVED Director Young, SECONDED Director Houle, that the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held Tuesday, August 26, 2014, be adopted.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

Barbara Hetherington, Zero Waste Canada, re Zero Waste Alliance Conference, October 2 – 4, 2014.

14-628 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence from Barbara Hetherington, Zero Waste Canada, regarding the Zero Waste Alliance Conference, October 2 - 4, 2014 be received.

CARRIED

Manjit Sidhu, Ministry of Health, re Funding Support for the Englishman River Water Service Project.

14-629 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence from Manjit Sidhu, Ministry of Health, regarding funding support for the Englishman River Water Service Project be received.

CARRIED

Bert van Dalfsen, Ministry of Agriculture, re Draft Minister's Bylaw Standard on Medical Marihuana Production Facilities.

14-630 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence from Bert van Dalfsen, Ministry of Agriculture, regarding the draft Minister's Bylaw Standard on Medical Marihuana Production Facilities be received.

CARRIED

Concerned Citizens of Deep Bay, re Seaweed Harvest.

14-631 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence from the Concerned Citizens of Deep Bay regarding seaweed harvesting be received.

Phyllis Horne, re Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2014-091 – Molnar/Pope – 3031 Park Place, Electoral Area 'E'.

14-632 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence from Phyllis Horne regarding Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2014-091 – Molnar/Pope – 3031 Park Place, Electoral Area 'E' be received.

CARRIED

Diana Morton, re 1673 Gerrand Road - Electoral Area 'A' - Unsightly Premises.

14-633 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence from Diana Morton regarding 1673 Gerrand Road – Electoral Area 'A' – Unsightly Premises be received.

Cpl. Jesse Forman, Oceanside Community Policing, re Acknowledgement of RDN Financial Support.

14-634 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence received from Cpl. Jesse Forman, Oceanside Community Policing, regarding acknowledgement of Regional District of Nanaimo financial support be received.

CARRIED

UBCM, re Tsilhquot'in Decision Impacts Considered.

14-635 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence received from Union of BC Municipalities, regarding Tsilhquot'in Decision Impacts Considered be received.

CARRIFD

Stephen Pearce, Wildflower Marijuana Inc., re Wildflower Marijuana Inc.

14-636 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the correspondence received from Stephen Pearce, Wildflower Marijuana Inc., regarding Wildflower Marijuana Inc. be received.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BYLAW ADOPTION

Bylaws No. 813.52, 889.68, 1707, 1708, 1709, and 1710 – Reid Road Sanitary Sewer Capital Financing Service Establishing Bylaw and Loan Authorization Bylaw.

14-637 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that Regional District of Nanaimo "Reid Road Sanitary Sewer Capital Financing Service Establishing Bylaw No. 1707, 2014" be adopted.

CARRIED

14-638 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Greves, that Regional District of Nanaimo "Reid Road Sanitary Sewer Capital Financing Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1708, 2014" be adopted.

CARRIED

14-639 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Greves, that Regional District of Nanaimo "French Creek Sewerage Facilities Local Service Boundary Amendment Bylaw No. 813.52, 2014" be adopted.

CARRIED

14-640 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Greves, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Northern Community Sewer Local Service Boundary Amendment Bylaw No. 889.68, 2014" be adopted.

CARRIED

14-641 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Greves, that Regional District of Nanaimo "Reid Road Sanitary Sewer Capital Financing Service Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1709, 2014" be adopted.

CARRIED

14-642 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Greves, that Regional District of Nanaimo "Reid Road Sanitary Sewer Capital Financing Service Interim Financing Bylaw No. 1710, 2014" be adopted.

STANDING COMMITTEE, SELECT COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS

ELECTORAL AREA PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Electoral Area Planning Committee meeting held Tuesday, September 9, 2014.

14-643 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the minutes of the Electoral Area Planning Committee meeting held Tuesday, September 9, 2014 be received for information.

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Development Permit Application No. PL2014-084 - Shepheard - 853 Miller Road, Electoral Area 'G'.

14-644 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Van Eynde, that Development Permit No. PL2014-084 to permit a subdivision and future residential construction on proposed Lots A and B in the Hazard Lands and Environmentally Sensitive Features (Aquifer Protection) DPA's be approved subject to the conditions outlined in Attachments 2 and 3.

CARRIED

Development Permit Application No. PL2014-075 – 0873123 BC Ltd. – Forgotten Drive, Electoral Area 'G'.

14-645 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Fell, that Development Permit No. PL2014-075 to permit the construction of a dwelling unit within the Hazard Lands Development Permit Area be approved subject to the conditions outlined in Attachments 2 and 3.

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2014-091 - Molnar/Pope - 3031 Park Place, Electoral Area 'E'.

14-646 MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Young, that Development Variance Permit No. PL2014-091 to permit the construction of a dwelling unit on an existing foundation be approved subject to the conditions outlined in Attachments 2 to 5.

CARRIED

Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2014-024 - Ball - Lot 7, Block 359, Newcastle District, Plan VIP64696 - Electoral Area 'F'.

14-647 MOVED Director Fell, SECONDED Director Young, that Development Variance Permit No. PL2014-024 to reduce the required lot frontage from 40.0 metres to 20.0 metres for the proposed subdivision be approved subject to the conditions outlined in Attachments 2 and 3.

CARRIED

OTHER

Request for Relaxation of the Minimum 10% Perimeter Frontage Requirement – Subdivision Application No. PL2014-053 – Sylvia and Terry Birkholz – 2881 Ashcraft Road, Electoral Area 'E'.

14-648 MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Fell, that the request to relax the minimum 10% perimeter frontage requirement for the remainder lot be approved.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE STANDING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held Tuesday, September 9, 2014.

14-649 MOVED Director Johnstone, SECONDED Director Brennan, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held Tuesday, September 9, 2014 be received.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

Denis Lebel, Minister of Infrastructure, Government of Canada, re Request for funding for a new water treatment facility.

14-650 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the correspondence from Denis Lebel, Minister of Infrastructure, Government of Canada, regarding the request for funding for a new water treatment facility be received.

CARRIED

Malcolm Brodie, Metro Vancouver, re Metro Vancouver Waste Flow Management and the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Recyclable Material Regulatory Bylaw No. 280.

14-651 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the correspondence from Malcolm Brodie, Metro Vancouver, regarding Metro Vancouver waste flow management and the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Recyclable Material Regulatory Bylaw No. 280 be received.

CARRIED

Taryn O'Flanagan, re \$5,000 Grant to Restorative Justice.

14-652 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the correspondence from Taryn O'Flanagan regarding the \$5,000 grant to Restorative Justice be received.

CARRIED

Selina Robinson, MLA, re Official Opposition Hosted Breakfast and Meetings at 2014 UBCM.

14-653 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the correspondence from Selina Robinson, MLA, regarding the official opposition hosted breakfast and meetings at the 2014 Union of BC Municipalities Convention be received.

CARRIED

David Brown, re Proposed Medical Marihuana Facility in Yellowpoint.

14-654 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the correspondence from David Brown, regarding the proposed medical marihuana facility in Yellowpoint be received.

CAO

Regional District of Nanaimo - Operational and Efficiency Review, 2014 Community Survey.

14-655 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the Board receive the Final Report on the results of 2014 Community Survey and direct staff to release and distribute the information through the Regional District of Nanaimo website, local media and any other appropriate communication channels.

CARRIED

Board Remuneration - Bylaw No. 1078.08 and Bylaw No. 1317.04.

14-656 MOVED Director de Jong, SECONDED Director Veenhof, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Board and Committee Member Remuneration, Expenses and Benefits Bylaw No. 1078.08, 2014" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

14-657 MOVED Director de Jong, SECONDED Director Veenhof, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Board and Committee Member Remuneration, Expenses and Benefits Bylaw No. 1078.08, 2014" be adopted.

CARRIED

14-658 MOVED Director de Jong, SECONDED Director Kipp, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Board Remuneration and Expenses (Electoral Areas Only) Bylaw No. 1317.04, 2014" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

14-659 MOVED Director de Jong, SECONDED Director Kipp, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Board Remuneration and Expenses (Electoral Areas Only) Bylaw No. 1317.04, 2014" be adopted.

CARRIED

14-660 MOVED Director de Jong, SECONDED Director Kipp, that Board Remuneration Review Committee be dissolved.

CARRIED

14-661 MOVED Director de Jong, SECONDED Director Kipp, that prior to the next municipal elections in 2018 that Regional District of Nanaimo staff be directed to engage an independent, qualified consultant to review and report on the Regional District of Nanaimo's Director Remuneration and how it compares to the remuneration paid to Directors in other comparable regional districts.

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES

ADMINISTRATION

Amendment to Officers Appointment and Delegation Bylaw No. 1661.

14-662 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Houle, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Officers Appointment and Delegation Amendment Bylaw No. 1661.01, 2014" be introduced and read three times.

14-663 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Houle, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Officers Appointment and Delegation Amendment Bylaw No. 1661.01, 2014" be adopted.

CARRIED

FINANCE

Operating Results for the Period Ending June 30, 2014.

14-664 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the summary report of financial results from operations to June 30, 2014 be received for information.

CARRIED

RECREATION AND PARKS SERVICES

Request for Acceptance of Park Land Dedication - 1965 Walsh Road, Electoral Area 'A'.

14-665 MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Young, that the proposed park dedication in the proximity of York Lake be accepted in conjunction with a proposed subdivision as shown on Attachment 2.

CARRIED

REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY UTILITIES

WATER AND UTILITY

Bylaws No. 1004.07, 1445.05, and 1521.02 – Cedar and Duke Point Sewer Boundary Amendment – 1965 Walsh Road and 1812 Cedar Road, Electoral Area 'A'.

14-666 MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Young, that "Duke Point Sewer Service Amendment Bylaw No. 1004.07, 2014" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

14-667 MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Brennan, that "Cedar Sewer Service Amendment Bylaw No. 1445.05, 2014" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

14-668 MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Brennan, that "Cedar Sewer Small Residential Properties Capital Financing Service Amendment Bylaw No. 1521.02, 2014" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

STRATEGIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

BUILDING, BYLAW, AND EMERGENCY PLANNING SERVICES

1673 Gerrand Road - Electoral Area 'A' - Unsightly Premises.

14-669 MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Bestwick, that the Board, pursuant to Unsightly Premises Regulatory Bylaw No. 1073, 1996, directs the owner of Lot 2, Section 16, Range 8, Cranberry District, Plan 11970, (1673 Gerrand Road), to remove the accumulation of disused, discarded materials and refuse, unlicensed derelict vehicles, boats, recreational vehicles, scrap metal, automotive parts, scrap wood and refuse from the property within thirty (30) days, or the work will be undertaken by the Regional District of Nanaimo or its agents at the owner's cost.

1016 Harrison Way - Electoral Area 'B' - Unsightly Premises.

14-670 MOVED Director Houle, SECONDED Director Greves, that the Board, pursuant to Unsightly Premises Regulatory Bylaw No. 1073, 1996, directs the owner of Lot 35, Section 12, Gabriola Island, Nanaimo District, Plan 23619, (1016 Harrison Way), to remove the accumulation of discarded and disused wood waste, miscellaneous debris, scrap metal, old bikes, building materials, plastic and several structures from the property within sixty (60) days, or the work will be undertaken by the Regional District of Nanaimo or its agents at the owner's cost.

CARRIED

EXTERNAL BOARDS

Englishman River Water Service.

Minutes of the Englishman River Water Service Management Board meeting held Tuesday, June 24, 2014.

14-671 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Willie, that the minutes of the Englishman River Water Service Management Board meeting held Tuesday, June 24, 2014 be received for information.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATION OR CORRESPONDENCE

Marihuana for Medical Purposes in River's Edge.

14-672 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that correspondence be sent to Health Canada by the Regional District of Nanaimo opposing the issuance of a permit for the production of medical marihuana at 1085 Paradise Place due to concerns regarding the potential for negative impacts on adjacent residential areas, lack of water and sewer infrastructure, traffic and security concerns.

CARRIED

Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Bylaw 280.

14-673 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that staff be directed to prepare correspondence from the Regional District of Nanaimo Board Chair to the appropriate Provincial Ministries reaffirming the Board's support for Metro Vancouver's Bylaw 280, encouraging the Minister to approve the Bylaw; and that staff be directed to forward copies of the correspondence to all Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities members encouraging those jurisdictions to send similar indications of support for the Bylaw to the Province.

CARRIED

SCHEDULED STANDING, ADVISORY, AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Electoral Area 'F' Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee.

Minutes of the Electoral Area 'F' Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee Meeting held Wednesday, July 9, 2014.

14-674 MOVED Director Fell, SECONDED Director Brennan, that the minutes of the Electoral Area 'F' Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee meeting held Wednesday, July 9, 2014, be received for information.

Sustainability Select Committee

Minutes of the Sustainability Select Committee Meeting held Tuesday, September 16, 2014.

14-675 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Houle, that the minutes of the Sustainability Select Committee meeting held Tuesday, September 16, 2014, be received for information.

CARRIED

Release of Corporate Climate Action Reserve Funds – September 2014.

14-676 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Veenhof, that the Board approve the release of up to \$30,000 from the Corporate Climate Action Reserve Fund for investment in a variable frequency drive pump speed controller for the Departure Bay Pump Station.

CARRIED

14-677 MOVED Director Willie, SECONDED Director Veenhof, that the Board approve the release of up to \$4,500 from the Corporate Climate Action Reserve Fund for the regional purchase of SMARTTool.

CARRIED

2014 Regional Emission Reduction Targets.

14-678 MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Brennan, that staff proceed with developing a request for proposals from qualified professionals to evaluate potential legal instruments and develop the legal language necessary to protect private forest land in perpetuity for the purpose of implementing regional emission reduction targets.

CARRIED

Transit Select Committee

Minutes of the Transit Select Committee Meeting held Thursday, September 18, 2014.

14-679 MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director McPherson, that the minutes of the Transit Select Committee meeting held Thursday, September 18, 2014, be received for information.

CARRIED

BC Transit 3 Year Expansion – Memorandum of Understanding.

14-680 MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Ruttan, that the 3 year Expansion Memorandum of Understanding between BC Transit and the Regional District of Nanaimo be approved.

CARRIED

Transit Service from Comox Valley Regional District to Electoral Area 'H'.

14-681 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Brennan, that staff be directed to send a letter to the Comox Valley Regional District and BC Transit to request consideration of their transit service being extended into Electoral Area 'H', and, if the response indicates it is feasible, that a service agreement be prepared for consideration of the Regional District of Nanaimo Board.

Removal of Route 15A VIU.

14-682 MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Young, that staff be directed to bring a report to the Board on options to remove Conventional Transit from Electoral Area 'C' while retaining Custom Transit.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2014-028 – Bylaw 500.393, 2014 – Third Reading – Steve Atkinson – 3119 Jameson Road, Electoral Area 'C'.

14-683 MOVED Director Young, SECONDED Director Van Eyne, that the report of the Public Hearing held on September 16, 2014 for "Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 500.393, 2014" be received.

CARRIED

14-684 MOVED Director Young, SECONDED Director Van Eynde, that the "Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 500.393, 2014", be read a third time.

CARRIED

Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2013-089 – Bylaw 500.390 – Adoption – Robert and Gigi Obradovic – 3389 Jingle Pot Road, Electoral Area 'C'.

14-685 MOVED Director Young, SECONDED Director McPherson, that the "Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 500.390, 2013" be adopted.

CARRIED

Proposed Schedule to Approve the 2015-2019 Financial Plan.

14-686 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Houle, that the following schedule for the review and adoption of the 2015 to 2019 financial plan be approved:

December 11, 2014	Information seminar to Board for 2015 preliminary budget	
January 13, 2015	Presentation of 2015 preliminary budget at Committee of the Whole	
February 3, 2015	Presentation of 2015 to 2019 financial plan at Special Committee of the WI	hole
	Meeting	
February 10, 2015	Presentation of financial plan at Committee of the Whole Meeting	
February 16, 2015	Publication of budget edition of Regional Perspectives	
March 10, 2015	Introduce bylaw to adopt the 2015 to 2019 financial plan	
March 24, 2015	Adopt financial plan bylaw	
	CARF	RIED

2014 Gas Tax Transfer and Community Works Fund Program Update.

14-687 MOVED Director Brennan, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that the report on the renewed Gas Tax Funding Program be received for information.

14-688 MOVED Director Johnstone, SECONDED Director Veenhof, that the 2014 Community Works Funds program attached as Schedule A be approved and that staff be authorized to continue work on the projects as needed.

CARRIFD

Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Development Cost Charge Bylaw Introduction.

14-689 MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that "Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Development Cost Charge Bylaw No. 1715, 2014" be introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED

14-690 MOVED Director Van Eynde, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that staff be directed to obtain public and development community input on the bylaw prior to 2nd and 3rd reading.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

Wildflower Inc., re Letter from Wildflower Inc.

14-691 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that staff be directed to refer the letter received from Wildflower Marijuana Inc. to the Regional District of Nanaimo Solicitor for comment and action as deemed appropriate.

CARRIFD

Bert van Dalfsen, Ministry of Agriculture, re Draft Minister's Bylaw Standard on Medical Marihuana Production Facilities.

14-692 MOVED Director de Jong, SECONDED Director Kipp, that staff prepare a report on the provision of medical marihuana production facilities in Agricultural Land Reserve lands outlining the alignment of the current Regional District bylaws with the recommendations for local governments provided by the Ministry of Agriculture.

CARRIED

14-693 MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Fell, that a seminar be scheduled for Electoral Area Directors to provide for a free and open exchange of ideas as it relates to medical marihuana production facilities in Agricultural Land Reserve lands.

CARRIED

Jillian Kim, re Request for Bylaw 500 Amendment to Permit Chickens on Smaller Parcels.

14-694 MOVED Director Bestwick, SECONDED Director Young, that staff be directed not to take enforcement action on complaints with regard to backyard chickens on smaller lots while the bylaw is under review.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

14-695 MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Houle, that pursuant to Section 90 (1)(a) of the *Community Charter* the Board proceed to an In Camera meeting for discussions related to Board appointments.

TIME: 9:35 PM

RISE AND REPORT

14-696 MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Brennan, that staff be directed to correspond with the North Cedar Improvement District (NCID) to advise that the Regional District of Nanaimo Board does not support the provision of Community Works Funding for NCID water system upgrades at this time.

CARRIED

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MOVED Director Johnstone, SECONDED Director Lefebvre, that this meeting terminate.

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CHAIRPERSON	CORPORATE OFFICER