

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO HELD ON
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2016 AT 7:00 PM IN THE
RDN BOARD CHAMBERS**

In Attendance:

Director B Veenhof	Chairperson
Director C. Haime	Deputy Chairperson
Director A. McPherson	Electoral Area A
Director H. Houle	Electoral Area B
Director M. Young	Electoral Area C
Director B. Rogers	Electoral Area E
Director J. Fell	Electoral Area F
Director J. Stanhope	Electoral Area G
Director B. Bestwick	City of Nanaimo
Director J. Hong	City of Nanaimo
Director J. Kipp	City of Nanaimo
Director W. Pratt	City of Nanaimo
Director I. Thorpe	City of Nanaimo
Director B. Yoachim	City of Nanaimo
Alternate	
Director S. Powell	City of Parksville
Alternate	
Director B. Luchtmeijer	Town of Qualicum Beach

Regrets:

Director B. McKay	City of Nanaimo
Director M. Lefebvre	City of Parksville
Director T. Westbroek	Town of Qualicum Beach

Also in Attendance:

D. Trudeau	Interim Chief Administrative Officer
R. Alexander	Gen. Mgr. Regional & Community Utilities & Solid Waste
G. Garbutt	Gen. Mgr. Strategic & Community Development
T. Osborne	Gen. Mgr. Recreation & Parks
J. Harrison	Director of Corporate Services
W. Idema	Director of Finance
J. Hill	Mgr. Administrative Services
C. Golding	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order and respectfully acknowledged the Coast Salish Nations on whose traditional territory the meeting took place.

The Chairperson welcomed Alternate Directors Powell and Luchtmeijer to the meeting.

DELEGATIONS

Bill Dawson, BC Assessment, re 2016 Assessment Roll.

Bill Dawson provided a visual presentation to accompany his summary of assessment rolls for the Regional District electoral areas and municipalities.

Robert Grose, Nanaimo Travellers Lodge, re New 130 bed residence for compassionate dementia care.

Robert Grose provided an overview of the Eden Gardens facility currently under construction that will provide improved facilities and compassionate dementia care, and asked the Board to sponsor a community.

Michel Morin, Nanaimo Marine Rescue Society, re Financial support.

Mike Banning provided an update of how funds have been utilized over the past year and asked the Board to increase funding for 2016 to \$17,500 to support ongoing training, equipment and capital needs.

Rod Szasz, re Memorial for crew of WWII B-25 Mitchell Bomber.

Rod Szasz provided the history of the WWII B-25 Mitchell Bomber which crashed in the Nanaimo watershed in 1944 and asked the Board to enter into a site stewardship agreement with the Royal Canadian Air Force Association and agree to become the owner of record of a memorial plaque and interpretive board dedicated to the five Royal Canadian Air Force crew that perished.

Ron Chiovetti, re Proposed amendment to boundary between Electoral Areas 'F' and 'G'.

Ron Chiovetti presented a request to amend the boundaries of Electoral Areas 'F' and 'G' to redesignate six properties to create a more natural division based on use, and asked the Board to pass a motion supporting an amendment to the boundary.

Jessie James, re Holden Creek Restoration

Jessie James shared her concerns about the condition of Holden Creek including a decline in fish spawning and damage to properties due to flooding and asked for the Board's support in moving forward with the restoration of Holden Creek.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held Tuesday, January 12, 2016.

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Thorpe, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held January 12, 2016, be adopted.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

Mary Polak, Minister of Environment, re Request for Local Government Input – Climate Action and Climate Leadership Plan.

MOVED Director Houle, SECONDED Director Stanhope, that the correspondence from Mary Polak, Minister of Environment, regarding a request for local government input on the Climate Action and Climate Leadership Plan be received.

CARRIED

James A. Lettic, Nanoose Bay Activities and Recreation Society, re Estimate of Costs for Building Upgrades.

MOVED Director Houle, SECONDED Director Stanhope, that the correspondence from James A. Lettic, Nanoose Bay Activities and Recreation Society, regarding estimate of costs for building upgrades be received.

CARRIED

Mayor Henry Braun, City of Abbotsford, re Downloading of DNA Analysis Costs.

MOVED Director Houle, SECONDED Director Stanhope, that the correspondence from Mayor Henry Braun, City of Abbotsford, regarding the downloading of DNA analysis costs be received.

CARRIED

FINANCE

W. Idema provided a summary of the 2016 – 2020 Financial Plan including recent updates to the 2016 Budget, tax requisitions and significant capital and operational impacts over the next 5 years.

2016-2020 Financial Plan.

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Fell, that the proposed increase of \$9 million in borrowing for the Ravensong Pool expansion go to referendum.

WITHDRAWN

MOVED Director Fell, SECONDED Director Stanhope, that the Financial Plan not assume an expansion of the pool and that funds for Ravensong be lowered to maintenance levels and a reserve contribution after the current loan is paid off.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Pratt, that the Board receive the report on the 2016 Budget as amended and the 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Pratt, that the Board provide any additional direction for changes related to completion of the 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan and direct staff to prepare the financial plan bylaw on that basis.

CARRIED

2016 Proposed Budget External Requests for Funding.

MOVED Director Houle, SECONDED Director Thorpe, that the Board provide an additional \$2,500 to the current \$7,500 in funding received annually under the Southern Restorative Justice/Victim Services Service Area to the Nanaimo RCMP Victim Services.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Bestwick, SECONDED Director Pratt, that the Board provide an additional \$6,500 to the current \$11,000 in funding received under the D68 Search & Rescue Service to the Nanaimo Marine Rescue Society.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Pratt, SECONDED Director Fell, that the Board direct staff to look at using Regional Sustainability Reserve Funds to provide \$15,000 to the Nanaimo Aboriginal Society to use towards the cost of the Passive House construction project.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Young, SECONDED Director Pratt, that the Board provide \$15,000 in funding to the Nanaimo Travellers Lodge for the Eden Gardens facility.

CARRIED

STRATEGIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

LONG RANGE PLANNING

Update on Use of Island Health Homelessness Funding.

MOVED Director Powell, SECONDED Director Stanhope, that the report be received for information.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Powell, SECONDED Director Stanhope, that staff be directed to forward the update on Use of Homelessness Funding to Island Health with a letter thanking them for providing funding.

CARRIED

BUILDING, BYLAW, AND EMERGENCY PLANNING

Emergency Management Agreement Renewal.

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Powell, that the Emergency Management Agreement between the Regional District of Nanaimo, the City of Nanaimo, the District of Lantzville, the City of Parksville, the Town of Qualicum Beach, and the Qualicum, Nanoose and Snuneymuxw First Nations be renewed for a term beginning January 1, 2016 to May 1, 2021.

CARRIED

RECREATION AND PARKS

PARKS

Coombs to Parksville Rail Trail Project Update.

MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Hong, that the staff recommendation to proceed to tender for the Station Road to Church Road phase of the Coombs to Parksville Rail Trail with a tender upgrade for the Church Road to City of Parksville phase, be referred to the Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee.

CARRIED

E&N Rail Trail – Deferred Road Crossing Compliance Memorandum of Understanding.

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Fell, that the Deferred Road Crossing Compliance (Alberni Line Rail Trail) Memorandum of Understanding with the Island Corridor Foundation be approved and executed.

CARRIED

Oakdowne Community Park Licence of Occupation Renewal (Electoral Area 'H').

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Young, that the Regional District accept the Province of BC's 30-year Licence of Occupation offer for Oakdowne Community Park in Electoral Area 'H'.

CARRIED

REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY UTILITIES

WATER AND UTILITY

Region-Wide Watering Restrictions Framework.

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Young, that the Board support the adoption of the proposed region-wide standard watering restrictions framework in the major water service areas in our region.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Young, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Water Use Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1654.02, 2016" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Young, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Water Use Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1654.02, 2016" be adopted.

CARRIED

WASTEWATER

Bylaw No. 975.63 – Pump & Haul Bylaw Amendment to Include Lot C, District Lot 9, Plan 1832, Except Those Parts in Plans 11274, 14223, and 14909, Newcastle Land District (Electoral Area 'G').

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Young, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Pump & Haul Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 975, 1995" be amended to include Lot C, District Lot 9, Plan 1832, Except Those Parts in Plans 11274, 14223, and 14909, Newcastle Land District (Electoral Area 'G').

CARRIED

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Young, that "Regional District of Nanaimo Pump & Haul Local Service Amendment Bylaw No. 975.63, 2016" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

ADVISORY, SELECT COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION

Solid Waste Management Select Committee.

Minutes of the Solid Waste Management Select Committee meeting held Wednesday, December 2, 2015.

MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Haime, that the minutes of the Solid Waste Management Select Committee meeting held Wednesday, December 2, 2015, be received for information.

CARRIED

Solid Waste Management Plan Review Update.

MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Young, that staff be directed to prepare a report recommending amendments to the Terms of Reference of the Solid Waste Management Select Committee to add the responsibility of providing advice and recommendations to the Board regarding Solid Waste Services operations, in addition to its current role as it relates to the Solid Waste Management Plan review process.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

Proposed Amendment to Boundary between Electoral Areas 'F' and 'G'.

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Fell, that the Board refer the issue of Electoral Area boundaries that were affected by the construction of the inland highway to staff, specifically the cutoff of Electoral Area 'G' and Electoral Area 'F' that were raised by the delegation, and the report to include other Electoral Areas that have similar problems that are not necessarily limited to being bisected by the inland highway.

CARRIED

Memorial for Crew of WWII B-25 Mitchell Bomber.

MOVED Director Thorpe, SECONDED Director Pratt, that the Regional District of Nanaimo become the "owner of record" of a plaque and interpretive board dedicated to the memory of the five Royal Canadian Air Force crew that perished on Mt. Whympier on May 29, 1944.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Thorpe, SECONDED Director Pratt, that the Regional District of Nanaimo enter into a site stewardship agreement with the Royal Canadian Air Force Association, 808 Wing Nanaimo, for the ongoing stewardship and maintenance of the plaque and interpretive board dedicated to the memory of the five Royal Canadian Air Force crew that perished on Mt. Whympier on May 29, 1944.

CARRIED

Holden Creek Restoration.

MOVED Director McPherson, SECONDED Director Fell, that staff be directed to provide assistance and direction to Jessie James on the appropriate authority to undertake restoration of Holden Creek.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Directors' Roundtable.

Directors provided updates to the Board.

IN CAMERA

MOVED Director Young, SECONDED Director Haime, that pursuant to Sections 90 (1) (c), (e), (g), (i), and (j), and 90 (2) (b) of the *Community Charter* the Committee proceed to an In Camera Meeting for discussions related to employee relations, land disposition, litigation, solicitor-client privilege, third-party business interests, and inter-governmental negotiations.

CARRIED

TIME: 10:26 PM

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Director Young, SECONDED Director Hong, that this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

TIME: 11:15 PM

CHAIRPERSON

CORPORATE OFFICER