

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 2017 3:00 P.M. RDN Board Chambers

In Attendance: Director W. Veenhof Chair

Director I. Thorpe Vice Chair

Alternate

Electoral Area A Director K. Wilson Director H. Houle Electoral Area B Director M. Young Electoral Area C Electoral Area E Director B. Rogers Electoral Area F Director J. Fell Director J. Stanhope Electoral Area G Director B. Bestwick City of Nanaimo Director G. Fuller City of Nanaimo Director J. Hong City of Nanaimo Director J. Kipp City of Nanaimo Director B. Yoachim City of Nanaimo Director M. Lefebvre City of Parksville Director B. Colclough District of Lantzville Director T. Westbroek Town of Qualicum Beach

Regrets: Director A. McPherson Electoral Area A

Director B. McKay City of Nanaimo

Also in Attendance: P. Carlyle Chief Administrative Officer

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

T. OsborneJ. HarrisonGen. Mgr. Recreation & ParksDirector of Corporate Services

W. Idema Director of Finance

D. Pearce Director of Transportation & Emergency Services

J. Hill Mgr. Administrative Services

C. Golding Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

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

The Chair welcomed Alternate Director Wilson to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the following minutes be adopted:

Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting - September 12, 2017

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

Michael Ribicic, Youth Advisory Council, re Youth Involvement with the Regional District of Nanaimo

Michael Ribicic, Youth Advisory Council Chair, shared his views of the importance of having youth representation in local government and asked for the Board's support in forming a Youth Advisory Council within the Regional District of Nanaimo.

Lindy Sisson, The Port Theatre Society, re Annual Update

Lindy Sisson thanked the Board for their ongoing support and provided an overview of the 2016 Annual Report and Financial Statements and highlighted the theatre's activities and upcoming 2017-2018 Spotlight Series.

CORRESPONDENCE

It was moved and seconded that the following item of correspondence be received:

Laura Bonnor, Dave MacVicar, and Lindsey Genoe, Bowser Elementary School, re Regional District of Nanaimo support for Tulnuxw Lelum Cultural Learning Space

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the following minutes be received for information:

Agricultural Advisory Committee - September 22, 2017

District 69 Recreation Commission - September 21, 2017

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

District 69 Recreation Commission

Parksville Curling Club

It was moved and seconded that the results of the master plan regarding the District 69 Arena and the sport of curling in Oceanside be given priority.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Oceanside Youth Soccer

It was moved and seconded that the need for an increase in sport fields, including all weather, for District 69 be considered high priority in the recreation services master plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that staff work with the City of Parksville, Town of Qualicum Beach, School District 69 and local sport field organizations to determine if there is a need for a sport field allocation policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that staff explore funding opportunities for the construction of additional fields and an all-weather turf field in District 69.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

State of Recreation Research Report for District 69 (Oceanside)

It was moved and seconded that the State of Recreation in District 69 (Oceanside) research report be used as a reference document in the development of the Recreation Services Master Plan for District 69 (Oceanside).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE SERVICES

Communications Services Vendor Selection

It was moved and seconded that the Regional District of Nanaimo enter into a five-year Communications Services Agreement with TELUS Communications Company for a total cost of \$843,271 over five years commencing October 25, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STRATEGIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Agricultural Area Plan Implementation – Composting Facility Project

It was moved and seconded that the Board receive the Agricultural Area Plan Implementation – Composting Facility Project report and the results of the composting needs questionnaire.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that the Board direct staff to update the "Growing Our Future" website with details of the existing commercial compost facilities in the region.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that the Board deem the Composting Facility Project complete.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Funding for INfilm through a Regional Economic Development Service

It was moved and seconded that the Board direct staff to proceed with the process to establish a new regional economic development service which will provide the funding to INfilm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that the Board enter into an agreement to provide funding to INfilm for a three year period at a maximum of \$50,000 per year and that the agreement include provisions for reporting and to make annual funding contingent on meeting performance objectives.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that a service review for the new regional economic development service be conducted in 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY UTILITIES

Biosolids Management Program

It was moved and seconded that the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) enter into an agreement (Attachment 1) with SYLVIS Environmental Services (SYLVIS) to continue biosolids forest fertilization activities to May 31, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that the Board direct staff to enter into negotiations with Nanaimo Forest Products, Harmac Division (Harmac) as a contingency option where Regional District of Nanaimo biosolids would be used to fabricate soil for cover at the Harmac landfill.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Wheel Loader Tender – July 2017

It was moved and seconded that the Board approve the purchase of a John Deere 544KII Wheel Loader from Brandt Tractor Ltd. for an amount of \$231,000.

Opposed (4): Director Young, Director Stanhope, Director Bestwick, and Director Hong

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

Youth Involvement with the Regional District of Nanaimo

It was moved and seconded that Youth Involvement with the Regional District of Nanaimo be referred to staff to investigate and provide a report on forming a Youth Advisory Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Laura Bonnor, Dave MacVicar, and Lindsey Genoe, Bowser Elementary School, re Regional District of Nanaimo support for Tulnuxw Lelum Cultural Learning Space

It was moved and seconded that staff be directed to revise the Community Works Funding agreement with the Bowser Elementary School Parent Advisory Committee for the Tulnuxw Lelum - Bowser Cultural Learning Space project to increase the Electoral Area 'H' Community Works Funding allocation to an amount up to \$60,000 and to extend the agreement term to November 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Directors' Roundtable

Directors provided updates to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

TIME: 4:15 PM

It was moved and seconded that this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CHAIR CORPORATE OFFICER