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**Minutes of the 2020 FY Annual General Meeting - Beddis Water Service Commission
Held November 8, 2021 at the Salt Spring Island Library, 121 McPhillips Avenue, Salt
Spring Island, BC**

Present: **Director:** Gary Holman
 Commission Members: Laurie Jacques, Geoff Bartol (via Zoom), and
 Michael McCormick
 Staff: Karla Campbell, Senior Manager SSI Electoral Area (Via Zoom), Lia Xu,
 Manager, Finance Services (Via Zoom), Dan Robson, Manager, Saanich
 Peninsula and Gulf Islands Operations (Via Zoom) Dean Olafson, Manager
 Engineering and Shayla Burnham, Recording Secretary

1. Territorial Acknowledgement / Call Meeting to Order

Chair Jacques provided the Territorial Acknowledgement and called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

2. Limited Space Meeting Resolution

MOVED by Director Holman, **SECONDED** by Commissioner McCormick, that this resolution applies to the Beddis Water Service Commission for the meeting being held on November 8, 2021, and that the attendance of the public at the place of the meeting will be limited in accordance with the applicable requirements or recommendations under the Public Health Act, despite the best efforts of the Ganges Sewer Commission, because:

- a. The available meeting facilities cannot accommodate more than (20) people in person, including members of Ganges Sewer Commission and staff, and
- b. There are no other facilities presently available that will allow physical attendance of the Ganges Sewer Commission and the public in sufficient numbers; and

That the Ganges Sewer Commission is ensuring openness, transparency, accessibility and accountability in respect of the open meeting by the following means:

- a. By making the meeting agenda, as well as the other relevant documents, available on the CRD website, and directing interested persons to the website by means of the notices provided in respect of the meeting,
- b. By making the minutes of the meeting available on the CRD website following the meeting.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Commissioner Jacques, **SECONDED** by Commission Bartol, that the Beddis Water Service Commission agenda of the Annual General Meeting held on November 8, 2021 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Director Holman joined the meeting at 10:08 p.m.

4. **Adoption of Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting held on December 3, 2020**

MOVED by Commissioner Jacques, **SECONDED** by Commission Bartol, that the Beddis Water Service Commission meeting minutes of the Fiscal Year 2019 Annual General Meeting held on December 3, 2020 be approved.

CARRIED

5. **Chair's Report – No report**

6. **Report**

6.1 **Annual Report for 2020 Fiscal Year**

- The Commission expressed concern regarding free range pigs on a property located in the watershed and asked staff if the Service Area may implement control over potential pollution concerns.
- Staff noted the Commission would have to refer the concerns to the CRD to be put through a referral process for further investigation.
- The Commission asked staff what the Dissolved Air Flotation (DAF) plant capacity was and staff confirmed they would return to the Commission with an update.
- The Commission asked if there was a manganese removal option incorporated in the system and staff confirmed it was operational however, was not being operated at the moment.
- Staff confirmed that since the inception of the facility there has been no need to use the manganese removal system.
- Commission noted that the manganese limits were over twice last year.
- Staff confirmed the CRD water quality department did not require use of the manganese removal to date.
- The Commission asked about concepts for redirecting DAF residuals and staff confirmed the Environmental Protection Group are looking into approval to dispose of DAF residuals under the *Waste Management Act*. Staff confirmed a plan would need to be developed through hiring a consultant and staff noted it could potentially be completed for all facilities.
- The Commission asked if a cost share for dewatering could be an option across all water districts for a potential cost savings and staff confirmed they could return to the Commission with an update.
- Staff noted if the Commission wanted to move forward with the dewatering project staff could incorporate this into the 2023 work plan.
- Staff to discuss the threshold for the land application of the residuals with the Environmental Protection Group and return to the Commission with a report. If the threshold is exceeded, the Commission is to decide if they want to fund a study.

MOVED by Commissioner Jacques, **SECONDED** by Commission Bartol, that the Beddis Water Service Commission accept the Annual Report for the 2020 Fiscal Year for information.

CARRIED

7. Election of Officers

- Request for volunteers was advertised as per the requirements and after receiving no nominations, Michael McCormick agreed to stand for re-election. Hearing of no other nominations Michael McCormick was accepted by acclamation.
- Commissioner Geoff Bartol provided his resignation.
- The Commission requested staff to re-run advertisements for Commissioners in 2022.

8. New Business

- Staff to follow up with Commissioner McCormick regarding questions he forwarded via email and if necessary, will arrange a Special Meeting to discuss in 2022.

9. Next Meeting - TBD

10. Adjournment

MOVED by Commissioner Jacques, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Bartol that the meeting be adjourned at 10:46 am.

CARRIED

CHAIR

SENIOR MANAGER