

Meeting Minutes

Capital Regional District Board

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

1:00 PM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard Street
Victoria, BC

Special Meeting

PRESENT:

C. Plant (Chair), D. Blackwell (Vice-Chair), B. Desjardins (EP), F. Haynes, L. Helps (EP), M. Hicks (EP), G. Holman (EP), D. Howe (EP), B. Isitt, J. Loveday (EP), C. McNeil-Smith (EP), R. Martin (EP), R. Mersereau (EP), K. Murdoch (EP), G. Orr (EP), J. Ranns (EP), D. Screech, L. Seaton (EP), M. Tait (EP), N. Taylor, K. Williams (EP), R. Windsor (EP), G. Young

Staff: R. Lapham, Chief Administrative Officer; N. Chan, Chief Financial Officer; L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; K. Lorette, General Manager, Planning and Protective Services; K. Morley, General Manager, Corporate Services; T. Robbins, General Manager, Integrated Water Services; J. Leahy, Senior Manager, Regional Parks; S. Henderson, Manager, Real Estate; E. Gorman, Deputy Corporate Officer; T. Pillipow, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: Director Brice

The meeting was called to order at 1:48 pm.

1. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Director Taylor provided a Territorial Acknowledgement in the preceding meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Taylor,
That the agenda for the May 27, 2020 Session of the Capital Regional District Board be approved.
CARRIED

3. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and provided information on meeting set-up moving forward. On June 10th the Board will be accepting in-person delegations in keeping with the PHOs orders.

He thanked the 150 letter writers for their valuable feedback on meeting topics. He acknowledged that we are on the right track as we move forward, and appreciated that while decisions that may not be unanimous, as long as we

remain respectful, our decisions are stronger with vigorous debate.

4. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

5. CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Screech,
That the consent agenda items 5.1. and 5.2. be approved as presented.
CARRIED

5.1. [20-272](#) Appointment of Watershed Security Officers

To appoint Patrick McCoubrey and Devon Barnes as Watershed Security Officers; and that Don Herriott (retired) be removed from appointment; for the purpose of Section 233 of the Local Government Act and Section 28(3) of the Offence Act, and in accordance with Capital Regional District Bylaw No. 2681.

5.2. [20-300](#) Staff Report: Sooke Lake Reservoir - Intake Tower Screen Replacement and Financial Plan Amendment

That the 2020 - 2021 Regional Water Supply Service Financial Plan be amended as follows:

****NOTE**** Please refer to the recommendation in the staff report for the table of proposed budget amendments, referenced in Item 2 of the staff report recommendation.

6. SPECIAL MEETING MATTERS

6.1. [20-226](#) Regional Parks - 2020 to 2021 Land Acquisition Strategy Criteria

L. Hutcheson spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- weight given each item on the list of criteria
- expanding the criteria for accessibility to include geographic and economic as well as physical
- challenges to moving this item to the July Regional Parks Committee meeting
- biologists' evaluation of the various properties
- priority is conservation
- the need for public consultation when making changes to the Strategic Criteria
- the distinction between municipal parks and regional parks
- restrictions of the CRD by the Local Government Act with regards to park ownership

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Screech,
That the 2018 to 2019 Regional Parks Land Acquisition Criteria be approved as the acquisition criteria for the Regional Parks Land Acquisition Strategy 2020 to 2021.
CARRIED

6.2. [20-317](#) Regional Parks - Management Planning Priorities

L. Hutcheson spoke to Item 6.2.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- process of funding the plans
- consideration of invasive species' risk to natural assets
- coordination of these processes with the MTB Committee being set up
- Aylard Farm being included in the East Sooke Park management plan

**MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Screech,
That staff proceed with management plans for Mount Work, East Sooke and
Matheson Lake/Roche Cove regional parks.**

CARRIED

6.3. [20-314](#) Environmental Resource Management - 2019 Progress Report

L. Hutcheson spoke to Item 6.3.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- no plans from the province to change the legislation or requirements of Solid Waste Management Plans
- providing a report on the recycling program indicating, by percentage, what is recycled and what is disposed
- monthly waste volumes for 2019 over 2020 to date
- online shopping bringing increased curbside volumes
- site plan modeling resulting in an updated lifespan of the landfill
- per capita targets for consumption
- economics as the primary driver for continued surpluses in the sustainability reserve

**MOVED by Director Blackwell, SECONDED by Director Screech,
The Environmental Resource Management 2019 Progress Report is received for
information.**

CARRIED

6.4. [20-237](#) Response to Notice of Motion: Mountain Biking Advisory Committee -
Terms of Reference

L. Hutcheson spoke to Item 6.4.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- specific sites being outside of scope
- guidelines informing the maintenance and establishment of trails
- adequate trails decreasing environmental damage
- consideration to having a First Nations representative on the working group
- process of solicitation and selection of the volunteers and Chair for this working group
- dismantling of some infrastructures by staff

**MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Taylor,
That the Terms of Reference for an advisory committee to inform the
development of Mountain Biking Guidelines for CRD Regional Parks be
approved.**

**MOVED by Director Helps, SECONDED by Director Isitt,
That the Terms of Reference be amended to invite a First Nations representative
onto this task force.**

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Director Taylor,
That the Terms of Reference for an advisory committee to inform the development of Mountain Biking Guidelines for CRD Regional Parks be approved as amended.

CARRIED

6.5. [20-319](#) AGM Deferral Resolution (verbal update)

K. Morley provided a verbal update on Item 6.5.

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Haynes,
1. That the Skana Water Service Committee and Surfside Park Estates Water Service Committee AGMs are hereby deferred for the period of the Provincial State of Emergency;
2. That the financial reports usually presented at the AGM be posted online and rate payers notified; and
3. That the terms of local service committee members set to expire on June 30, 2020 are hereby extended a maximum of six months.

CARRIED

Director Martin left the meeting at 3:31 pm.

7. MOTION WITH NOTICE

7.1. [20-315](#) Advocacy for Job Creation on Non-Market Housing, Public Transit and Clean Jobs (Director Isitt)

Isitt spoke to Item 7.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- certain elements missing from the motion
- timing of this motion and direction
- recovery investments in the future
- the exclusion of tourism
- advocacy being consistent with strategic plan

MOVED by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Board Chair Plant,
That the Board request that the Chair write, on behalf of the Board, to the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premier of British Columbia, requesting that these governments focus Covid-19 economic recovery investments on job creation through: (1) Expansion of non-market housing with social care; (2) Public transit, including local, inter-city and national bus and rail networks; and (3) Clean Jobs, including the renewable energy sector and the clean technology sector.

MOVED by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Director Blackwell,
That the motion be amended to include the words "...and refer the matter to our local member municipalities." after the words "and the Premier of British Columbia, ...".

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Isitt, Haynes, Helps, Hicks, Holman, Loveday, McNeil-Smith, Mersereau, Plant, Screech, Taylor, Young

MOVED by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Director Haynes,

That the motion be further amended to add the words "...in British Columbia's Capital Region..." after the words "...recovery investments on job creation".

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Hicks, Ranns, Williams, Windsor

MOVED by Director Holman, **SECONDED** by Director Isitt,

That the motion be further amended to include the wording "Climate Action and...", before the words "clean jobs, including...".

CARRIED

The question was called on the motion as amended.

MOVED by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Board Chair Plant,

That the Board request that the Chair write, on behalf of the Board, to the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premier of British Columbia, and refer the matter to our local member municipalities, requesting that these governments focus Covid-19 economic recovery investments on job creation in British Columbia's Capital Region through: (1) Expansion of non-market housing with social care; (2) Public transit, including local, inter-city and national bus and rail networks; and (3) Climate Action and clean jobs, including the renewable energy sector and the clean technology sector.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED: Windsor, Tait, Seaton, Screech, Ranns, Murdoch, McNeil-Smith, Howe, Hicks, Desjardins, Blackwell

8. MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING

8.1. [20-322](#) Motion to Close the Meeting

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Screech,

That the meeting be closed for Land Acquisition under s. 90 (1)(e) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Screech,

That such disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the Regional District.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Screech,

That the meeting be closed for Labour Relations under s. 90 (1)(c) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

9. RISE AND REPORT

The Capital Regional District Board moved to the closed session at 3:43 pm. The Capital Regional District Board rose from closed session at 4:45 pm without report.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Mersereau,

That the May 27, 2020 Capital Regional District Board meeting be adjourned at 4:45 pm.

CARRIED

CHAIR

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CORPORATE OFFICER