

Meeting Minutes

Electoral Area Services Committee

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

10:00 AM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

PRESENT:

Directors: W. McIntyre (Chair), B. Maberley (for D. Howe (Vice Chair)), M. Hicks, S. Price (Board Chair, ex-officio)

Staff: R. Lapham, Chief Administrative Officer; K. Lorette, General Manager, Planning and Protective Services; N. Chan, Chief Financial Officer; T. Robbins, General Manager, Integrated Water Services; K. Morley, General Manager, Corporate Services; R. Lachance, Senior Manager, Financial Services; P. Dayton, Senior Financial Analyst; E. Gorman, Deputy Corporate Officer; P. Perna, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

1. Approval of Agenda

**MOVED by Alternate Director Maberley, SECONDED by Director Hicks,
That the agenda for the March 14, 2018 Electoral Area Services Committee
meeting be approved as amended to add New Business items 6.1 Internet
Service Update and 6.2 Electoral Area Concerns.
CARRIED**

2. Adoption of Minutes

2.1. [18-173](#) Minutes of the February 14, 2018 Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting

**MOVED by Alternate Director Maberley, SECONDED by Director Hicks,
That the minutes of the February 14, 2018 Electoral Area Services Committee
meeting be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED**

3. Chair's Remarks

The Chair remarked on lobbying for designating the Electoral Area's as a rural area with the Province and the proposed Provincial Speculation Tax.

4. Presentations/Delegations - None.

5. Committee Business

- 5.1. [18-142](#) Saturna Island FireSmart Grant Application
- MOVED by Alternate Director Maberley, SECONDED by Director Hicks,
That the Electoral Area Services Committee recommendations to the Capital
Regional District Board:
That a submission of a grant application for up to \$10,000 to the Union of British
Columbia Municipalities Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative for the Saturna
Island FireSmart Project be approved and that the Board support this project
throughout its duration and willingness to provide overall grant management.
CARRIED**
- 5.2. [18-146](#) Bylaw 4231: Establishment of a Contribution Service for the Saturna Island
Medical Clinic
- MOVED by Alternate Director Maberley, SECONDED by Director Hicks,
The Electoral Area Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional
District Board:
1. That Bylaw No. 4231, "Saturna Island Medical Clinic Contribution Service
Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2018" be introduced and read a first and second time.
2. That Bylaw No. 4231 be read a third time; and
3. That CRD staff be directed to implement the elector approval process under
Section 344 of the Local Government Act in concurrence with the 2018 General
Local Election.
CARRIED**
- 5.3. [18-155](#) 2018 Electoral Area Budget Review
- Discussion ensued on the Feasibility Study.
- MOVED by Director Hicks, SECONDED by Alternate Director Maberley,
That the Electoral Area Services Committee recommend to the Capital Regional
District Board:
That the 2018 Electoral Area budgets as presented receive final approval.
CARRIED**
- 5.4. [18-141](#) Grants-in-Aid
- The Chair advised that Salt Spring Island will also be contributing equally to the
Salish Sea Inter Island Transportation Society (SSIITS), which will be brought
forward at a future meeting.
- MOVED by Director Hicks, SECONDED by Alternate Director Maberley,
That the Electoral Area Services Committee recommend to the Capital Regional
District Board:
That the following grant-in-aid applications be approved:
1. Sooke Community Arts Council - \$1000.00
2. Juan de Fuca Rural Publication Society - \$2000.00
3. Saturna Island Marine Research & Education Society (SIMRES) - \$3500.00
4. Salish Sea Inter Island Transportation Society (SSIITS) - \$5000.00
CARRIED**

5.5. [18-107](#) Previous Minutes of Other Committees and Commissions for Information

MOVED by Director Hicks, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Maberley,
That the following minutes be received for information:

1. Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission meeting held on January 16, 2018
2. Magic Lake Estates Water and Sewer Committee meeting held on January 9, 2018

CARRIED

6. New Business

6.1. Internet Service for the Southern Gulf Islands

Discussion ensued on the following:

- the original recommendation requiring further clarification in order to explore different options to leverage both the Provincial and Federal Grants and a feasibility cost analysis or different solution
- funding options for internet service and the need for improving opportunities to designate the islands as rural

MOVED by Alternate Director Maberley, **SECONDED** by Director Hicks,
That the following motion from the February 14, 2018 Electoral Area Services Committee:

That the Capital Regional District Information Technology department look at options for the "last mile" connection as it relates to the Southern Gulf Islands.

Be amended to read:

That Capital Regional District staff investigate and provide options for implementation of internet service according to CRTC standards for the Southern Gulf Islands.

CARRIED

The question was called on the amendment of the previously adopted motion:

MOVED by Alternate Director Maberley, **SECONDED** by Director Hicks,
That Capital Regional District staff investigate and provide options for implementation of internet service according to CRTC standards for the Southern Gulf Islands.

CARRIED

6.2. Electoral Area Concerns

Discussion ensued on the following concerns in the Electoral Areas:

- the proposed Provincial Government Speculation Tax and its effect on the Salt Spring and Southern Gulf Islands' economy and real estate market, including advocacy letters and FCM, UBCM, and AVICC

7. Adjournment

MOVED by Alternate Director Maberley, **SECONDED** by Director Hicks,
That the March 14, 2018 Electoral Area Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 10:37 am.

CARRIED

Chair

Recorder