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**Minutes of a Meeting of the Environmental Services Committee
Held Wednesday, May 28, 2014, in the Board Room, 625 Fisgard St., Victoria, BC**

Present: Directors: N. Jensen (Chair), J. Mendum (Vice Chair, 9:46), J. Cullington (for C. Hamilton), V. Derman, B. Desjardins, L. Helps (for B. Isitt), W. McIntyre, D. Murdock (for J. Brownoff), A. Bryson (Board Chair, ex officio)

Staff: R. Lapham, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; H. Gibson, Senior Manager, Environmental Partnerships; G. Harris, Senior Manager, Environmental Protection; R. Smith, Senior Manager, Environmental Resource Management; N. More, Committee Clerk (recorder)

Absent: D. Blackwell

Also Present: D. Moffat, Chair, Roundtable on the Environment

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 am.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Derman, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,
That the agenda be approved with the supplementary agenda.

CARRIED

2. Adoption of Minutes

MOVED by Director Desjardins, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Cullington,
That the minutes of the April 23, 2014, meeting be adopted as previously circulated.

CARRIED

3. Chair's Remarks: There were none.

4. Presentations/Delegations

1) Tom Benjamin, CUPE Local 1978, re item 7: spoke on behalf of the CUPE campaign to Keep It Public For Good. He highlighted the curbside blue box recycling program, the Hartland gas utilization facility, and the kitchen scraps strategy in relation to keeping those operations under local authority. The delegation provided a written submission, on file at Legislative and Information Services.

5. Roundtable on the Environment – Strategic Framework (EHQ 14-24)

D. Moffat spoke to the strategic framework, as outlined in Appendix A of the staff report. He asked the Committee their feelings on whether the framework aligned with their comments from the workshop with the RTE in October 2013.

Director Mendum entered the meeting at 9:46 am.

The Committee discussed the role of the RTE to provide long-range views through focused topics and directed staff to provide for another workshop with the RTE focused on energy.

MOVED by Director Derman, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,
That the Roundtable on the Environment's strategic framework be received for information.

CARRIED

6. Waste Flow Management – Overview of Implications for the Capital Regional District (ERM 14-23)

The Chair gave an overview of the report and L. Hutcheson provided a further summary.

The Committee discussed points of issue that would need to be addressed on planning for waste flow management within the Capital Regional District. The item will be included in a workshop in regards to the Solid Waste Management Plan in June.

MOVED by Director Derman, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Helps,
That it be recommended to the Capital Regional District Board:

- 1) That staff report ERM 14-23 on waste flow management implications for the CRD be received for information; and
- 2) That the Board Chair send a letter to the Minister of Environment supporting local government authority to implement a bylaw enabling waste flow management.

CARRIED

7. Environmental Resource Management – 2013 Annual Report (ERM 14-21)

The Chair gave a brief overview of the annual report. On the motion, the Committee sought clarification on illegal dumping of waste. The 2013 results showed a downward trend commensurate with the marketing campaign.

MOVED by Director Derman, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Cullington,
That it be recommended to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the Environmental Resource Management 2013 Annual Report be received for information.

CARRIED

8. Climate Action Program – 2013 Annual Report and 2014 Update (EEP 14-25)

On the motion, the Committee discussed thinking globally and acting locally, noting that more could be done, and finding better ways to measure the impact of climate action.

MOVED by Director Mendum, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Helps,
That it be recommended to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the Climate Action Program 2013 Annual Report be received for information.

CARRIED

9. Regional Source Control Program – Five-Year Plan Update (EPT 14-20)

H. Gibson provided an overview of the report with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. The Committee sought clarification on two emerging contaminants, which are found in hand sanitizers and soaps.

On the motion, the Committee discussed an indication that the outreach and education programs have an impact, shown in the large number of calls to the Recycling Hotline and visits to the information pages on the website.

MOVED by Director Derman, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,
That it be recommended to the Capital Regional District Board:
That the Regional Source Control Program five-year plan update be received for information.

CARRIED

10. Bowker Creek Initiative – 2013 Annual Report (EEP 14-22)

On the motion, the Committee discussed the potential for similar outreach and a watershed management plan for Salt Spring Island.

MOVED by Director Derman, **SECONDED** by Director Mendum,
That it be recommended to the Capital Regional District Board:
That the Bowker Creek Initiative 2013 Annual Report be received for information.

CARRIED

11. Information Item:

- a) Correspondence from District of North Saanich to CRD Board Chair re Kitchen Scraps Processing (April 8, 2014)

MOVED by Director Mendum, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Cullington,
That the correspondence from District of North Saanich to CRD Board Chair re Kitchen Scraps Processing (April 8, 2014) be received for information.

CARRIED

12. Update and Previous Minutes from Solid Waste Advisory Committee

Director Mendum provided an update on the meetings of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, especially item 4.2 of the minutes dealing with changes to the way glass and paper is collected through the curbside recycling program. The Committee received clarification on the implementation, including public education and a grace period.

MOVED by Director Mendum, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,
That the update and previous minutes from Solid Waste Advisory Committee be received for information.

CARRIED

13. Update from Public and Technical Advisory Committee, Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management Plan (minutes not yet available)

D. Murdock left the meeting at 10:41 am.

Director Mendum remarked briefly on the activity of the Public and Technical Advisory Committee and reported they will next meet in September.

MOVED by Director Mendum, **SECONDED** by Director Derman,
That the update from Public and Technical Advisory Committee, Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management Plan, be received for information.

CARRIED

14. New Business: There was no new business.

15. Motion to Close the Meeting

Chair Jensen informed the Committee that Section 90(1)(i) was meant to be included in the motion to close the meeting.

MOVED by Alternate Director Cullington, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Helps,
That the Committee close the meeting in accordance with the *Community Charter* Part 4, Division 3, Section 90(1)(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the regional district or another position appointed by the regional district; (c) labour relations or other employee relations; and (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a regional district service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the board, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district if they were held in public; and (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED

The Committee moved to the closed session at 10:44 am.

The Committee rose from the closed session at 11:52 am without report.

16. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Mendum, **SECONDED** by Board Chair Bryson,
That the meeting be adjourned at 11:52 am.

CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDER