

Meeting Minutes

Environmental Services Committee

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

1:30 PM

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

PRESENT

Directors: B. Desjardins (Chair), N. Taylor (Vice Chair), D. Blackwell (EP), L. Helps (1:45 pm) (EP), M. Hicks (EP), G. Orr (EP), J. Ranns (EP), K. Williams, R. Windsor (EP)

Staff: R. Lapham, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; G. Harris, Senior Manager, Environmental Protection; R. Smith, Senior Manager, Environmental Resource Management; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; S. Orr, Senior Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: G. Holman, J. Olsen, C. Plant

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Vice Chair Taylor provided the Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Williams,
That the agenda for the June 16, 2021 Environmental Services Committee meeting be approved.
CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [21-504](#) Minutes of the May 19, 2021 Environmental Services Committee

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Williams,
That the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting of May 19, 2021 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

The Chair had no remarks.

5. Presentations/Delegations

- 5.1. **21-507** Delegation - Geoff Krause; Representing Saanich Inlet Protection Society:
Re: Agenda Item 6.3.: Biosolids Management - Response to Peninsula Biosolids Coalition
G. Krause spoke in opposition of Biosolids.
- 5.2. **21-508** Delegation - Dave Cowen; Representing Peninsula Biosolids Coalition:
Re: Agenda Item 6.3.: Biosolids Management - Response to Peninsula Biosolids Coalition
D. Cowen spoke in opposition of Biosolids.
- 5.3. **21-509** Delegation - Philippe Lucas; Representing Biosolid Free BC: Re: Agenda Item 6.3.: Biosolids Management - Response to Peninsula Biosolids Coalition
P. Lucas spoke in opposition of Biosolids.
- 5.4. **21-513** Delegation - Nikki Macdonald; Representing Mount Work Coalition: Re: Agenda Item 6.3.: Biosolids Management - Response to Peninsula Biosolids Coalition
N. Macdonald spoke in opposition of Biosolids.

6. Committee Business

- 6.1. [21-471](#) Repealing the Capital Regional District Recycling Bylaw (Bylaw No. 2290)
R. Smith spoke to item 6.1.
**MOVED by Director Williams, SECONDED by Director Taylor,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:**
1. That Bylaw No. 4432, "Capital Regional District Recycling Bylaw No. 2, 1995, Repeal Bylaw No. 1, 2021" be introduced and read a first, second time and third time;
2. That Bylaw No. 4432 be adopted.
3. That Bylaw No. 4434 "Capital Regional District Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 72, 2021" be introduced and read a first, second time and third time;
4. That Bylaw No. 4434 be adopted.
CARRIED
- 6.2. [21-486](#) Cancellation of the Provincial Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program
G. Harris spoke to Item 6.2.
**MOVED by Director Williams , SECONDED by Director Taylor,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:**
That the Board Chair send a letter to: Premier John Horgan; the Minister of Municipal Affairs; the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy; and

UBCM detailing the impact of cancelling the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) and requesting that the Province engage local governments on the swift replacement of CARIP with a program that provides consistent, non-application based funding, with first payments received by local governments in 2022.

CARRIED

6.3. [21-503](#)

Biosolids Management - Response to Peninsula Biosolids Coalition

G. Harris spoke to Item 6.3.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Plant operations
- Contingency planning
- Provincial funding
- Outfall locations
- Water collection systems monitoring
- Flow data
- Project agreement
- Dispute process

MOVED by Director Ranns, SECONDED by Director Williams,

1. That the Capital Regional District support and facilitate, where possible, the business case process the Township of Esquimalt is doing to explore feasibility and gasification of solid waste and kitchen scraps waste management.

2. That the Capital Regional District utilize this process to test biosolids in the gasification process as an option of the final step of biosolids for our region.

CARRIED

Opposed: Blackwell, Windsor

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Long term plan for Biosolids
- Request for Proposal process
- Environmental Impact Study
- Monthly reporting

MOVED by Director Hicks, SECONDED by Director Windsor,

The CRD board request from the Province the end of land application of biosolids on the surface of Hartland Landfill.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Hicks, SECONDED by Director Windsor,

The CRD provide an environmental impact study with monthly testing and reporting.

DEFEATED

Opposed: Desjardins, Taylor, Blackwell, Helps, Hicks, Orr, Ranns, Williams

R. Windsor left the meeting at 2:37 pm.

MOVED by Director Blackwell, SECONDED by Director Williams,

The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That this staff report be received for information.

CARRIED

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There was no notice of motion.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Williams,
That the June 16, 2021 Environmental Services Committee meeting be adjourned
at 2:47 pm.
CARRIED

Chair

Recorder