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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION
Held Wednesday, May 20, 2015 in the 6th Floor Boardroom, 625 Fisgard Street

PRESENT: Commissioners: M. Lougher-Goodey (Chair), Z. King, G. Logan, T. Morrison, G. Baird, M. Hicks, B. Gramigna, G. Orr, E. Zhelka, F. Haynes, S. Brice (for L. Wergeland), D. Murdock, V. Derman, V. Sanders, R. Kasper, C. Coleman, J. Loveday, B. Isitt, G. Young, J. Rogers
Staff: T. Robbins, P. Sparanese, A. Constabel, J. van Niekerk, G. Harris, H. Dale, M. Montague (Recorder)
ABSENT: L. Szpak, W. Sifert

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm. The Chair noted that additional speakers had submitted requests to address Item 16.

MOVED by Commissioner Derman and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Haynes,
That the additional speakers be added to the Presentations/Delegations under Item 4.

CARRIED

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED by Commissioner Derman and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Haynes,
that the Regional Water Supply Commission approve the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2015

MOVED by Commissioner Rogers and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Coleman,
that the Regional Water Supply Commission adopt the minutes of the meeting held February 18, 2015.

CARRIED

3. CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair reminded members of the 100th anniversary celebration on Thursday, May 28.

4. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

- 1) Georgia Collins, 2730 Heald Road, Shawnigan Lake, BC expressed concerns with the South Island Aggregate site located within the Shawnigan Lake watershed.
- 2) Kerry Davis, 696 Frayne Road, Mill Bay, BC expressed concerns with the location of the South Island Aggregate hazardous waste dump and noted that a petition asking that the operation not be allowed was submitted to the Legislature last week containing approximately 15,000 signatures.
- 3) Laurel Collins, Michigan Street, Victoria, BC expressed concerns with the South Island Aggregate site located within the Shawnigan Lake watershed.

5. WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE – VERBAL REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

R. Mersereau provided a verbal report on the status of the Water Advisory Committee and provided an update on current initiatives.

MOVED by Commissioner Isitt and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Haynes,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission direct staff to engage First Nations with a view to fill the current vacancy on the Water Advisory Committee as soon as possible.

CARRIED

MOVED by Commissioner Baird and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Morrison,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission receive the verbal report from the Chair of the Water Advisory Committee for information.

CARRIED

6. SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER WATER COMMISSIONS

MOVED by Commissioner Derman and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Logan,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission receive the report for information.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED by Commissioner Rogers and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Zhelka,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission receive the correspondence from Robin P. Lowry,
regarding the South Island Aggregates Ltd. site, Shawnigan Lake, for information.

CARRIED

8. CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY EVENT – MAY 28, 2015

T. Robbins provided an update on the Centennial Anniversary Event scheduled for May 28, 2015. He asked that Commission members email M. Montague if they will be attending the event. The invitation will be resent to members as a reminder.

9. DRAFT REGIONAL SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY - WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE INPUT

MOVED by Commissioner King and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Haynes,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission support, in principle, the submission from the Water Advisory Committee on the draft Regional Sustainability Strategy.

CARRIED

10. PROPOSED PUBLIC SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, SMITH HILL RESERVOIR

MOVED by Commissioner Isitt and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Young,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission:

1. a) Approve a new 2015 capital project, Phase 1 - Smith Hill Reservoir Public Safety Improvements, related to public safety and the environment, at an estimated total cost of \$107,200 with funding from the existing 2015 capital budget.
- b) Reduce the budget for the existing capital project Main #14 – rectify Low Pressure from \$500,000 to \$392,800.
- c) Include Phase 2 – Smith Hill Reservoir Public Safety Improvements in the 2016 capital budget at an estimated cost of \$104,000.

CARRIED

11. T'SOU-KE FIRST NATION TRADITIONAL USE STUDY – LEECH WATER SUPPLY AREA

MOVED by Commissioner Kasper and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Morrison,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission recommend to the CRD Board to enter into a Contribution Agreement with T'Sou-ke First Nation to conduct a Traditional Use Study of the Leech Water Supply Area, and utilize approved 2010/2015 Leech Water Supply Area Restoration capital funds in the amount of \$42,000 to fund the agreement.

CARRIED

12. SPRING 2015 ALGAE BLOOM IN SOOKE LAKE RESERVOIR

MOVED by Commissioner Kasper and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Morrison,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission receive the staff report for information.

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13. WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR SOOKE LAKE RESERVOIR JANUARY – APRIL 2015

MOVED by Commissioner Kasper and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Morrison,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission direct staff to post the Sooke Lake Reservoir monitoring results for January 2015 through April 2015 for public release.

CARRIED

14. UPDATE ON THE LEECH OPEN HOUSES (VERBAL REPORT)

T. Robbins provided a verbal update on the Leech Open Houses.

MOVED by Commissioner Kasper and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Morrison,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission receive the report for information.

CARRIED

15. WATER WATCH

MOVED by Commissioner King, and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Baird,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission receive the report for information.

CARRIED

16. MOTION WITH NOTICE

MOVED by Commissioner Isitt and **SECONDED** by Commissioner King,
That staff be directed to report on the potential impact of the South Island Aggregates facility on the Sooke Lake water supply in light of new information considered during the BC Environmental Assessment Board process.

CARRIED

17. NEW BUSINESS

Peninsula Farm Tour – Commissioner Orr noted that the Peninsula and Area Agricultural Commission is hosting a farm tour on June 13. The invitation will be forward to the Commission members by email.

18. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Derman and **SECONDED** by Commissioner King,
That the Regional Water Supply Commission meeting be adjourned at 1:55 pm.

CARRIED

Chair

Secretary