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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission  
Held September 30, 2019, SSI Public Library, 129 McPhillips Ave, Salt Spring Island, BC**

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**Present:**       **CRD Director:** Gary Holman  
**Commission Members:** Gary Lehman, Myna Lee Johnstone, Gayle Baker, Maxine Leichter, Mitchell Sherrin  
**Staff:** Karla Campbell, Senior Manager, Salt Spring Electoral Area; Allen Xu, Manager Engineering; Tracey Shaver, Recording Secretary.  
**Absent:** Shellie Barrett

**1. Election of Chair:** Director Holman requested the election of chair be deferred to next meeting. Commissioner Heitzmann has resigned.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**MOVED** by Commissioner Leichter, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Lehman, That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission agenda of September 30, 2019 be approved and amended by adding Item 5.1 Ganges Accessibility Survey, Item 5.2 Safety Petition, Item 6.7 North Ganges Transportation Plan, Item 6.8 Letter of Agreement between Ministry of Transportation and Islands Trust.

**3. Adoption of Minutes**

**3.1 Minutes of June 24, 2019**

**MOVED** by Commissioner Holman, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Lehman, That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission minutes of June 24, 2019 be approved.

**3.2 Minutes of July 29, 2019**

**MOVED** by Commissioner Baker, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Lehman, That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission of July 29, 2019 be approved.

**4. Delegation/Presentation**

**4.1 Presentation – Partners Creating Pathways – Projects for Inclusion in Transportation Budget**

Background and historical information was presented by members of Partners Creating Pathways (PCP) which outlined projects and accomplishments to date over the past ten years.

PCP is requesting the two items be included in the 5 year capital plan

- 2021 Swanson Road to Park Drive estimated value \$90,000
- 2022 Leisure Lane to Merchant Mews estimated value of \$55,000

**5. Director, Chair and Commissioner Reports**

**5.0** Director Holman briefly reported on:

- Harbour Walk Committee meeting
- Union of BC Municipalities meeting-funding opportunities
- CRD Public Presentations: Safety Bylaw on Oct 15<sup>th</sup> and Provisional CRD Budget on Oct 17<sup>th</sup>

- 5.1** Commissioner Lehman briefly reported on accessibility issues in Ganges and a recent walk around town. A visual presentation will be made at the next meeting.
- 5.2** Commissioner Johnstone briefly reported that she is still gathering petition signatures to reduce speed limits from Brinkworthy Road through town to Alders Road from 50k to 30k.

## **6. Outstanding Business**

### **6.1 2018/2019 Annual Performance Summary**

Received for information.

### **6.2 Transit Expansion Funding Analysis**

Received for information; long term planning for service funding will start in 2020.

### **6.3 Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure**

It was requested that a standing invitation be made to Ministry of Highways and BC Transit Staff to attend or participate electronically in the Salt Spring Island Transportation Meetings.

### **6.4 Crofton/Vesuvius Ferry**

Several community meeting have resulted in a change in ferry service for next summer. BC Ferries has public announcements in several media production.

### **6.5 BC Transit – Electric Bus Transition Correspondence**

BC Transit announced a capital plan which replaces its fleet with electric versions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. It was requested that staff notify the Commission when the new Program Director for this Low Carbon Strategy Program is hired.

### **6.6 Salt Spring Island Transportation Priority Outcomes 2020**

- Brief discussion of priorities
- Final consideration after budget presentation in October
- Suggested to add to the list #7 the top two Partners Creating Pathways Projects requests and # 8 the Fulford Village

### **6.7 North Ganges Transportation Plan - item deferred**

### **6.8 Letter of Agreement between Ministry of Transportation and Islands Trust - item deferred**

## **7. New Business**

### **7.1 Transit, Cycling And Pedestrian Design And Cost Estimates For Fulford-Ganges Road From Seaview Avenue To Beddis Road**

- Opportunity has become available to partner with the Ministry of Transportation (MoTI) to include improvements along the road sides while a resurfacing project is being completed

- Tight timeline-projecting to tender project in early spring and begin work in summer 2020.
- This is a resurfacing project which MoTI have agreed to consider adding our request into the design and construction phases with a monetary contribution yet to be determined.
- Discussion on merits of bus stop and the potential for a safer location in front of shops along Fulford Ganges Rd instead of in front of Embe Bakery.

**MOVED** by Director Holman, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Leichter,  
That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission direct staff to inform Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) to include design and cost estimates, at MoTI's expense, the following components of its Fulford-Ganges Road resurfacing project:

- (1) a 1.2m bike lane on both sides;
- (2) a multiuse trail along the west side of Fulford Ganges Road from Seaview Avenue to Beddis Road;
- (3) bus stop improvements at base of Ganges Hill;
- (4) bus stop landing strips along Fulford Ganges Road at Cusheon Lake Road and Blackburn Road; and
- (5) Drake Road and Beddis Road intersection improvements.

**CARRIED**

Karla Campbell and Allen Xu leave meeting at 5:00 pm.

**7.2 BC Transit Monthly Revenue Report**

Received for information

**8. Next Meeting: October 28, 2019 at 3 pm in SSI Public Library**

**9. Adjournment**

**MOVED** By Director Holman, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Baker,  
That the meeting adjourn at 5:10 pm.

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**CHAIR**

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**SENIOR MANAGER**