

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE Sticks Allison Water Local Service Committee, held Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 1:00 p.m., In the Goldstream Meeting Room, 479 Island Highway, Victoria, BC

**PRESENT:** Committee Members: B. Russell (Chair) (EP); J. Fenby (EP); H. Schofield (EP); P. Brent (EP) for D. Howe, Electoral Area Director

**Staff:** M. McCrank, Senior Manager, Wastewater Infrastructure Operations, D. Puskas, Manager, Capital Projects, D. Dionne, Administrative Coordinator, M. Risvold, Committee and Administrative Clerk (Recorder)

#### **REGRETS:** M. Menyhart

EP = Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 1:03.

## 1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

The Senior Manager called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Sticks Allison Water Local Service Committee for 2022.

P. Brent nominated B. Russell. B. Russell accepted the nomination.

The Senior Manager called for nominations a second time.

The Senior Manager called for nominations a third and final time.

Hearing no further nominations, the Senior Manager declared B. Russell Chair of the Sticks Allison Water Local Service Committee for 2022 by acclamation.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOVED** by P. Brent, **SECONDED** by H. Schofield, That the agenda be approved.

## CARRIED

## 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The committee requested an amendment to the minutes to add a bullet under item 6.1 Sticks Allison Water Local Service 2022 Operating and Capital Budget to read: "The committee discussed postponing the Aquifer Impact Study (22-02), budgeted for \$5,000, indefinitely, pending the Islands Trust Aquifer Study results."

**MOVED** by J. Fenby, **SECONDED** by P. Brent, That the minutes of the October 26, 2021 meeting be adopted as amended.

#### CARRIED

## 4. CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair thanked staff for their diligence, and provided the following remarks:

- Visited the well site prior to the meeting
- Recent system outage
- An unlocked cabinet at side of the Water Treatment Plant needs to be secured
- Thanked staff for being prompt and installing a generator
- The quality and quantity of water being exceptional

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Legal easement documentation around the well site.
- High water monitor, and source of funding for the monitor.
- Water loss percentage.
- Leak detection.

## 5. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

There were no presentations or delegations.

## 6. SENIOR MANAGER'S REPORT

M. McCrank provided the committee meeting schedule for the year, advising there will be three meetings held in 2022. The meetings will be held in the months of February, June and in the Fall. Additional meetings remain at the call of the Chair.

Staff responded to a question from the committee regarding the electronic platform used for virtual meetings. Staff advised WebEx is used for virtual meetings and is secure. Administration staff are available to provide technical support for WebEx if required.

## 7. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

## 7.1. Project and Operations Update

D. Puskas provided the Capital Projects update, outlining the status of projects planned for 2022.

M. McCrank provided the Operational update and advised the water piping damaged due to freezing in late December was 50% insurable.

**MOVED** by H. Schofield, **SECONDED** by P. Brent, The Sticks Allison Water Local Service Committee receives this report for information.

CARRIED

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

# 9. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Increased water rates for 2022, and potential feedback from the community anticipated after the beginning of April.
- Asbestos cement (AC) pipes and concern regarding heavy equipment driving over top.
- Possibility of adding a note to water bills regarding vulnerabilities of AC pipe.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED** by J. Fenby, **SECONDED** by H. Schofield, That the February 24, 2022 meeting be adjourned at 1:46.

CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY