

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, August 22, 2017
7:00 P.M.
RDN Board Chambers

In Attendance:	Director W. Veenhof	Chair
	Director I. Thorpe	Vice Chair
	Director A. McPherson	Electoral Area A
	Director H. Houle	Electoral Area B
	Director M. Young	Electoral Area C
	Director B. Rogers	Electoral Area E
	Director J. Fell	Electoral Area F
	Director J. Stanhope	Electoral Area G
	Director B. McKay	City of Nanaimo
	Director B. Bestwick	City of Nanaimo
	Director G. Fuller	City of Nanaimo
	Director J. Hong	City of Nanaimo
	Director B. Yoachim	City of Nanaimo
	Director M. Lefebvre	City of Parksville
	Director B. Colclough	District of Lantzville
	Director T. Westbroek	Town of Qualicum Beach
	Chief M. Recalma	Qualicum First Nation
Regrets:	Director J. Kipp	City of Nanaimo
Also in Attendance:	P. Carlyle	Chief Administrative Officer
	R. Alexander	Gen. Mgr. Regional & Community Utilities
	G. Garbutt	Gen. Mgr. Strategic & Community Development
	T. Osborne	Gen. Mgr. Recreation & Parks
	J. Harrison	Director of Corporate Services
	W. Idema	Director of Finance
	J. Hill	Mgr. Administrative Services
	C. Golding	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order and respectfully acknowledged the Coast Salish Nations on whose traditional territory the meeting took place.

The Chair welcomed Chief Michael Recalma, Qualicum First Nation, to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

17- 427

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved, as amended, to include delegations and communications on the addendum.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

17- 428

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held July 25, 2017, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 429

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Special Board meeting held August 3, 2017, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS - AGENDA ITEMS

Dianne Eddy, re Bowser Sewer Plan

Dianne Eddy voiced her concerns regarding the lack of consultation with extended community residents and the additional stress to inland waters from a marine outfall potentially resulting in more algae growth and red tides.

Brian Field, re Development of Land in Bowser

Brian Field shared his vision of a West Coast themed town center with a land-based effluent and wastewater treatment system which could be developed into a fertilizer for retail sale and preserve the Salish Sea waters.

Thomas Gates, re Stop the Marine Sewage Outfall Connected to the Bowser Village Sanitary Sewer Service Establishment Bylaw

Thomas Gates provided a petition to the Board and stated he is not opposed to the development of a sustainable village and voiced his concerns regarding the lack of consultation with residents living near the proposed marine outfall location, potential risks to shellfish, human and marine health, increased costs of a marine outfall system and asked the Board not to adopt the sewer establishment bylaw if it includes a marine outfall.

Leanne Salter, re Secondary Outflow Proposal In Bowser

Leanne Salter shared her views of the possible impacts to species at risk, delicate reefs, air, water, fish and wildlife by the disbursement of secondary treated effluent into Baynes Sound and her lack of confidence in regulations protecting the environment and resources of British Columbia.

Dick Stubbs, re Importance of the Bowser Sewer Project Moving Forward

Dick Stubbs spoke of the unprecedented grant funding which will support the Bowser Village plan and address concerns of elevated contaminants due to overland flows and asked the Board to move the project forward and work together for the best possible outcome.

Owen Bird, re Concerns Regarding Current Bowser Sewage Proposal

Owen Bird voiced his concerns that the effects of pumping sewage into the Georgia Strait could have on tourism, social values, the environment and the potential harm to Bowser as a clean environment with pristine waters.

Laurie Basok, re Concerns Regarding the RDN's Process in Obtaining Bowser Village Centre Property Owners' Support to Establish a Sewer Service for Bowser Village

Laurie Basok spoke in opposition to the proposed sewer service due to lack of consultation with residents living in proximity to the outfall location, and the effect a marine outfall will have on beaches and the marine environment, and asked the Board to vote against the sewer project.

Sandra Finley, re Bowser Sewage Treatment Plan

Sandra Finley asked the Board to send the proposal back to the drawing board stating concerns with the Bowser Village Wastewater Servicing Design Report and advised the Board that you must have water lines in place before you build a sewer treatment system.

Alan Grozell, re Bowser Village Sewer System

Alan Grozell shared his opinion that a land-based outfall design is not suitable as a ground disposal facility due to the location of the watershed and the high water table during the winter months that will overflow and contaminate the creeks, ditches and eventually the beaches, and hopes that the Board will support the project and move forward with an ocean based outfall.

CORRESPONDENCE

17- 430

It was moved and seconded that the following correspondence be received for information:

John Horgan, BC Premier, re 2017 UBCM Convention

Sara Huber, Agricultural Land Commission, re Application for Recreational Trail Use in the Agricultural Land Reserve

Michelle MacEwen, Gabriola Island Recycling Organization, re Funding Request for New Oil Container

Len Walker re Bowser Village Centre Wastewater Project

Greta and Peter Taylor re Bowser Village Sanitary Service Establishment Bylaw

Lisa Helps, Mayor, City of Victoria, re Council Resolution Concerning Abandoned Vessels

Len Walker re Additional Correspondence regarding Bowser Village Centre Wastewater Project

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Business Arising From Communications

17- 431

It was moved and seconded that the Chair of the Regional District write to the Chair of the Agricultural Land Commission (“ALC”) requesting that the Chair of the ALC direct the Executive Committee of the ALC to reconsider the panel decision in accordance with section 33.1 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* on the basis that the decision may not fulfill the purposes of the ALC as set out in section 6 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 432

It was moved and seconded that the Regional District of Nanaimo Chair request a meeting with the Chair of the Agricultural Land Commission and the Electoral Area ‘A’ Director to discuss collaboration opportunities that will provide historical, economic, regional and community benefits with the development of the planned Morden Colliery Regional Trail Nanaimo River crossing and related trail works that would be compatible with the area’s agriculture land.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 433

It was moved and seconded that staff be directed to complete an agreement with the Gabriola Island Recycling Organization for the transfer of Community Works Funds allocated to Electoral Area ‘B’ for an amount up to \$6,325 to purchase a double-walled tank for a used-oil collection service.

Opposed (1): Director McKay

CARRIED

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Executive Committee Meeting - July 25, 2017

17- 434

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held July 25, 2017, be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

Bowser Village Sanitary Sewer Service - Bylaws 1760, 1761 and 1765, 2017

Chair Veenhof passed the Chair to Director Thorpe.

17- 435

It was moved and seconded that “Bowser Village Sanitary Sewer Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1760, 2017” be introduced, read three times and forwarded to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 436

It was moved and seconded that “Bowser Village Sanitary Sewer Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1761, 2017” be introduced, read three times and forwarded to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 437

It was moved and seconded that “Bowser Village Sanitary Sewer Service Development Cost Charge Bylaw No. 1765, 2017” be introduced, read three times, and forwarded to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 438

It was moved and seconded that the Regional District of Nanaimo enter into the Development Cost Charge Frontender Agreement with participating developers, on or before September 5, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Chair Veenhof assumed the Chair.

Nominations to the BC Ferry Authority Board of Directors

17- 439

It was moved and seconded that the Regional District of Nanaimo participate in the 2017 nomination process for an appointment to the BC Ferry Authority Board of Directors.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Proposed Removal of One-Third Tax Exemption

17- 440

It was moved and seconded that the following resolution regarding the Proposed Removal of the One-Third Tax Exemption be adopted and forwarded to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) for consideration at their next Board meeting and Annual Conference:

WHEREAS, the 2017 Federal Budget proposes to eliminate the one-third of Council and Board member remuneration that is currently non-taxable and designed to be reimbursement of expenses incurred by elected local government officials; and

WHEREAS, the impact of this change is that the full amount of local government elected officials' remuneration will now be subject to income taxes and Canada Pension Plan (CPP) contributions and, resultantly, may be considered a disincentive to the holding of public office;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities lobby the Federal Government to rescind the proposal to remove the tax exemption on compensation for local government elected officials.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 441

It was moved and seconded that the resolution regarding the Proposed Removal of the One-Third Tax Exemption also be forwarded to the Federal Minister of Finance William Morneau and Members of Parliament Sheila Malcolmson and Gord Johns.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fall 2017 Community Works Funded Projects Update

17- 442

It was moved and seconded that the Community Works Funds program project list included in Attachment 1 be approved and that staff be authorized to continue work on the projects as needed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Zoning Amendment – File No. PL2017-089 - Electoral Areas 'A', 'C', 'E', 'G' and 'H' - Amendment Bylaws 500.410, 2017 and 500.411, 2017 – Third Reading

17- 443

It was moved and seconded that the Board give third reading to “Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 500.410, 2017”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 444

It was moved and seconded that the Board give third reading to "Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 500.411, 2017".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2016-110 - 1682 Cedar Road, Electoral Area 'A' - Amendment Bylaw No. 500.408, 2017 – Adoption

17- 445

It was moved and seconded that the Board adopt "Regional District of Nanaimo Land Use and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 500.408, 2017".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS - WITH NO ACCOMPANYING REPORT

Southern Community Sewer Secondary Treatment Capital Improvements - Security Issuing Bylaw 1762 and Interim Financing Bylaw 1763

17- 446

It was moved and seconded that "Southern Community Sewer Local Service Secondary Treatment Capital Improvements Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1762, 2017", be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 447

It was moved and seconded that "Southern Community Sewer Local Service Secondary Treatment Capital Improvements Interim Financing Bylaw No. 1763, 2017", be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IN CAMERA

17- 448

It was moved and seconded that pursuant to Sections 90 (1) (c), (e), (j), and (m) of the *Community Charter* the Board proceed to an In Camera meeting for discussions related to labour relations, land acquisition, third party business interests, and intergovernmental relations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 8:57 PM

RISE AND REPORT

Purchase Contract for 1830 Galvin Place - EA 'F' Community Park

17- 449

It was moved and seconded that the Board approve the Purchase Contract with School District 69 (Qualicum) as provided in Attachment 1 with a purchase price of \$150,000 for 1830 Galvin Place (LOT A, BLOCK 359, NEWCASTLE DISTRICT, PLAN VIP73141) for use as an Electoral Area 'F' Community Park and a potential site for a future community recreation centre.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17- 450

It was moved and seconded that the acquisition for 1830 Galvin Place be funded 50% (\$75,000) from Cash In Lieu of Parkland Reserves and 50% (\$75,000) from Five Year borrowing as provided for under Section 175 of the *Community Charter* through the Electoral Area 'F' Community Parks Function.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded that this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 10:22 PM

CHAIR

CORPORATE OFFICER