



**DISTRICT OF HIGHLANDS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2023 @ 9:30 AM
COMMUNITY HALL, 729 FINLAYSON ARM ROAD**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Ken Williams
Councillor Leslie Anderson
Councillor Ann Baird
Councillor Gord Baird
Councillor Marcie McLean
Councillor Karel Roessingh
Councillor Rose Stanton

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Administrative Officer Lorraine Hilton
Corporate Officer Melisa Miles
Municipal Planner Laura Beckett
Building Inspector/Bylaw Enforcement Officer Chris Leek

Public Observation: 1

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: 09-2023

Moved Councillor Anderson, Seconded Councillor Stanton
That the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2.1

RE: COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

Allison Habkirk, Facilitator, reviewed the Highlands Workshop Report from the December 13, 2022 Strategic Planning session with Council.

Council confirmed the following items to be included in the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan, and the projected timeline for accomplishing the following initiatives:

- Organizational Review
- South Highlands Local Area Plan Finalization & Adoption
- Groundwater Protection Implementation and Work Plan (ongoing)
- Emergency Program Strategic Plan Implementation (ongoing)
- Community Hall Pergola Construction
- Tree Bylaw Review
- Secondary Suites (bylaw finalization)
- Step Code Implementation (ongoing)
- Improve Communications (staff report)
- Recreation Participation (staff report)
- High Level Development Application Fees Review (staff report)
- Bring Forward for Council information and consideration 2002 Trails Master Plan & 2010 Roadside Trail and Cycle Network Plan

Mayor Williams recessed the meeting at 10:42 am.

Mayor Williams reconvened the meeting at 10:52 am.

There was further discussion regarding reworking the wording of the District's Overarching Goals and Priorities. Council identified the following five overarching interconnected goals for the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan that guide the work of the organization:

- Climate emergency, adaptation, and mitigation
- Emergency preparedness, resiliency, and recovery
- Water resources and environmental protection
- Rural values, protection, and enhancement
- Community well-being

Ms. Habkirk advised that the next step will be to prepare the draft 2023-2026 Strategic Plan to come forward for consideration by Council.

3. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 10-2023

Moved Councillor Ann Baird, Seconded Councillor Stanton
That the Special Council meeting of the January 19, 2023 adjourn at 11:35 am.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

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