



DISTRICT OF HIGHLANDS
MINUTES OF ELECTRONIC COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021 @ 7:00 PM

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 Deb Hopkins
Municipal Planner Laura Beckett
Fire Chief Dean Ford

Public Observation: 3

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: 01-2021

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

CARRIED

2. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1

Council Minutes – December 7, 2020

MOTION: 02-2021

Moved Councillor Roessingh, Seconded Councillor Ann Baird
That the minutes of the December 7, 2020 Council meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

3.2

West Shore Parks and Recreation Society Minutes

MOTION: 03-2021

Moved Councillor Roessingh, Seconded Councillor Stanton
That the minutes of the November 25, 2020 West Shore Parks and Recreation Society meeting be received.

CARRIED

4. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

Councillor Leslie Anderson
Heritage Select Committee, West Shore Parks and Recreation Society
and Western Communities Policing Advisory Committee

Councillor Ann Baird
CRD Climate Action Committee and CRD Housing Trust Fund
Commission

Councillor Gord Baird
CRD Regional Water Commission & CRD JDF Water Distribution
Commission

Councillor Marcie McLean
Coexisting with Carnivores Alliance, Greater Victoria Family Court
Youth Justice Committee, Intermunicipal Advisory Committee on
Disability Issues and Sustainable Land Use Select Committee

Councillor Karel Roessingh
Capital Region Emergency Services Telecommunications, CRD Arts
and Greater Victoria Public Library Board

Councillor Rose Stanton
 Emergency Planning and Social Sustainable Committee
 Mayor Ken Williams

CRD Finance Committee – January 6, 2021

Mayor Williams reported that he attended the first Finance Committee meeting of the year with a focus on audit planning. He noted that a motion had been made to review the current procurement policy and that staff will be bringing back a report for further consideration.

CRD Board - December 9, 2020

There was discussion at the CRD Board meeting about the devastation of the tourist industry as a result of COVID-19 and the ongoing pandemic. The Greater Victoria Harbour Authority reported an 80% decrease in revenues and the Victoria Airport Authority reported approximately 70% in decreased revenues in 2020.

CRD Arts Commission - November 25, 2020

At the request of the Arts Commission, changes to amending Bylaw No. 4367 amending CRD Arts Advisory Council Bylaw, 2002 (Bylaw No. 2973) were passed with additional language on exclusions to service on the Arts Advisory Council. The purpose of the amendment, including the introduction of conflict of interest and recusal processes, will increase accountability in the grant assessment process and broaden the pool of potential candidates with desirable skills and experience.

Transportation Gap Summary

The CRD Board approved motions to form a transportation standing committee, and for staff to work with jurisdictional partners and BC Transit to develop a list of regional transportation priorities including low carbon options in order to meet the CRD's climate targets and report back to the Board for prioritization. Additionally, CRD staff will be researching options for a transportation governance model that will improve regional coordination and provide long-term advocacy and action.

<https://www.crd.bc.ca/docs/default-source/regional-planning-pdf/transportation/presentation-transportation-gap-summary.pdf>

5. RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

6. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1

Report – Municipal Planner, January 6, 2021 (DVP-06-20)

RE: DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT DVP-06-20 – 1464 WHITE PINE TERRACE

MOTION: 04-2021

Moved Councillor Gord Baird, Seconded Councillor Roessingh
 That Council issue DVP-06-20.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1

Letter – City of Port Moody, November 4, 2020
RE: FLOOD RISK MITIGATION THROUGH GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AND NATURAL ASSETS

8.2 Letter – P. Julian, MP New Westminster-Burnaby, J. Kwan, MP Vancouver East & D. Davies, MP Vancouver Kingsway, November 26, 2020

RE: BILL C-213, THE CANADA PHARMACARE ACT

8.3 Letter – City of Vernon, November 30, 2020

RE: UNIVERSAL NO-COST ACCESS TO ALL PRESCRIPTION CONTRACEPTION

MOTION: 05-2021

Moved Councillor Gord Baird, Seconded Councillor Roessingh
That Council receive the letters in items 8.1, 8.2, and 8.3.

CARRIED

9. BYLAWS

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Report – Fire Chief, January 4, 2021 (2240.70)

RE: AUTOMATIC AID AGREEMENT WITH THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH

MOTION: 06-2021

Moved Councillor Stanton, Seconded Councillor Roessingh

That Council approve the Automatic Aid Agreement with the District of Saanich, substantially in the form attached to the report from the Fire Chief dated January 4, 2021, consistent with the terms and conditions of the Master Aid Agreement between the parties agreed to May 13, 2020; and that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the District.

CARRIED

10.2 Report – Municipal Planner, January 7, 2021 (4750.36)

RE: REVISED CHILD CARE INVENTORY AND ACTION PLAN

The Municipal Planner provided an overview of the revisions to the report regarding the future need for additional child care spaces in the District of Highlands.

There was consensus from Council that the Highlands Child Care Inventory and Action Plan be included in the next Official Community Plan review process.

Moved Councillor Roessingh, Seconded Councillor Ann Baird

That Council receive the revised report “Highlands Child Care Inventory and Action Plan 2020” from Queenswood Consulting for information.

MOTION: 07-2021

CARRIED

11. IN CAMERA

MOTION: 08-2021

Moved Councillor Gord Baird, Seconded Councillor McLean

That Council move In Camera to discuss items specific to the *Community Charter*, specifically sections 90(1)(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality.

CARRIED

Council reconvened from In Camera at 7:17 pm.

**12. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA
RESOLUTIONS**

That Council re-appoint Marnie Essery to the Inter-Municipal Advisory Committee on Disability Issues for a one year term ending December 31, 2021, and that Council Rise and Report at the Regular Council meeting of January 11, 2021 on this appointment.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 09-2021

Moved Councillor Ann Baird, Seconded Councillor Anderson
That the Council meeting of January 11, 2021 adjourn at 7:18 pm.
CARRIED

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

Adopted January 25, 2021