

Minutes of the Regional Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 in the Board Room, 175 Ingram Street, Duncan BC at 9:30 AM.

PRESENT: Vice-Chairperson K. Marsh
Director M. Clement
Director K. Davis
Director B. Day
Director M. Dorey
Director S. Jackson <until 12:59 PM>
Director K. Kuhn <after 9:40 AM>
Director J. Lefebure
Director M. Marcotte <until 1 PM>
Director I. Morrison
Director A. Nicholson
Director T. Walker <until 12:59 PM>
Alternate Director A. Bomford
Alternate Director J. Friesenhan
Alternate Director S. Acton

ALSO PRESENT: B. Carruthers, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Harrison, Deputy Corporate Secretary
R. Blackwell, General Manager, Land Use Services
H. Hatami, General Manager, Engineering Services
A. Melmock, Manager, Economic Development
T. Waraich, Manager, Recycling & Waste Management
B. Farquhar, Manager, Parks & Trails
K. Miller, Manager, Environmental Services
B. Suderman, Planner III
K. Lawrence, Senior Environmental Analyst
A. Tokarek, Senior Environmental Energy Analyst
G. Gidden, Parks & Trails Planner
T. Daly, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: Chairperson A. Stone
Director S. Furstenau
Director L. Iannidinaro

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 Regular Regional Services Committee meeting of March 22, 2017

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Regional Services Committee meeting of March 22, 2017 be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED**DELEGATIONS**

D1 Terri Dame, Cowichan Housing Association Re: Status of Homelessness and Affordable Housing in the Cowichan Valley

Terry Dame, Cowichan Housing Association provided a PowerPoint presentation on the status of homelessness and affordable housing in the Cowichan Valley. Ms. Dame introduced Christy Villiers, Social Planning Cowichan, who presented "Cowichan Voices", the first in a series of short videos.

9:40 AM Director Kuhn entered the meeting at 9:40 AM.

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that staff report to the Regional Services Committee on a range of options for local government participation in addressing affordable housing and homelessness in the Cowichan Region.

MOTION CARRIED

D2 Brian Roberts, Cowichan Energy Alternatives Society Re: Update on Cowichan Carbon-Smart and Cowichan Biofuel Facility Initiatives

Brian Roberts, Cowichan Energy Alternatives Society provided a PowerPoint presentation and overview of the growth of the Cowichan Biofuel Initiative, noting that 2017 marks a ten-year collaboration with the CVRD and extended an invitation to an open house on May 13th from 10 AM to 3 PM.

CORRESPONDENCE

C1 Correspondence Re: Free Drop Off/Market Rates - CVRD Yard & Garden Waste Policy, referred from the April 12, 2017 Board meeting

1. Hillside Stone & Garden; and
2. Vancouver Island Recycling & Waste Industry Coalition

It was the consensus of the Committee to receive the correspondence for information and send responses to the organizations acknowledging their concerns.

C2 Correspondence Re: Salvation Army Tipping Fees

It was the consensus of the Committee that Item C2 be considered with Item R7.

REPORTS

R1 Report from the Parks & Trails Planner, Parks & Trails Division Re: Tri 1 Events - Cowichan Crusher Gravel Fondo - Bike Race

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that a Parks

Special Event Permit be issued to Tri Events 1 for a bike race event on June 24, 2017, subject to the conditions outlined in the staff report to the April 26, 2017, Regional Services Committee Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

R2 Report from the Manager, Parks & Trails Division Re: Cowichan Valley Trail Completion Initiative - Spring 2017 Update was received for information.

R3 Report from the Manager, Environmental Services Division Re: Climate Issues

The Manager, Environmental Services provided an overview of the current procedures of the Provincial government concerning climate issues.

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that a letter be sent to the province requesting that the Community Energy and Emissions Inventory (CEEI) data provided to local governments include both transportation and land conversion sources in the future; and that they be made aware of the data inconsistencies in the most recent release.

MOTION CARRIED

R4 Report from the Senior Environmental Analyst, Environmental Services Division Re: Regional Airshed Protection, Reducing Emissions From Open Burning was received for information. The Senior Environmental Analyst responded to questions from the Committee.

R5 Report from the Manager, Environmental Services Division Re: Climate Adaptation Program Update

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that the Phase I recommendations of the New Normal Cowichan Climate Adaptation Program as outlined in the April 12, 2017 Environmental Services Division Staff Report to the April 26, 2017 Regional Services Committee be implemented.

MOTION CARRIED

R6 Report from the Manager, Environmental Services Division Re: Watershed Management

It was the consensus of the Committee to consider the recommendations in the report separately.

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that a facilitated process to review and determine various roles and responsibilities of water governance in the region be developed.

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that an

analysis of the various options to support a watershed function for the CVRD (watershed specific, sub-regional or regional) for the committee's review and further public input be developed.

MOTION CARRIED

R7 Report from the Manager, Recycling & Waste Management Division Re: Tipping Fee Exemptions - Solid Waste Management Charges and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 4110

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board:

1. That Solid Waste Management Charges and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 4110 be forwarded to the Board for consideration of first three readings and adoption.
2. That the Free Tipping Policy dated April 8, 1998 be rescinded effective upon the adoption of Solid Waste Management Charges and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 4110.

It was moved and seconded that Section 6(f) of Bylaw No. 4110 be amended by changing the dollar value from \$5,000 to \$15,000.

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board:

- 1. That Solid Waste Management Charges and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 4110 be forwarded to the Board, as amended by increasing the total value of all approved Tipping Fee Exemption applications to \$15,000 per calendar year, for consideration of first three readings and adoption.**
- 2. That the Free Tipping Policy dated April 8, 1998 be rescinded effective upon the adoption of Solid Waste Management Charges and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 4110.**

MOTION CARRIED

C2 Correspondence Re: Salvation Army Tipping Fees

12:59 PM Directors Jackson and Walker left the meeting at 12:59 PM.

1 PM Director Marcotte left the meeting at 1 PM.

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that staff gather further information on the correlation between not-for-profit groups and free-tipping, and report back to the Regional Services Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

1:15 PM **It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.**

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.

Chair

Recording Secretary

Dated: _____