



## DISTRICT OF SOOKE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council  
held in the Council Chamber  
at 2225 Otter Point Road, Sooke, BC  
on November 28, 2016  
6:00 p.m., In-Camera Portion, Meeting Room  
7:00 p.m., Public Portion, Council Chamber

### COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Maja Tait  
Councillor Bev Berger  
Councillor Rick Kasper  
Councillor Brenda Parkinson  
Councillor Kerrie Reay

### STAFF PRESENT:

Teresa Sullivan, Chief Administrative Officer  
Brent Blackhall, Director of Financial Services  
Gabryel Joseph, Director of Corporate Services  
Rob Howat, Director of Development Services  
Patti Rear, Deputy Corporate Officer  
Jeff McArthur, RCMP Staff Sergeant  
Sarah Temple, Corporate Services Assistant

### ABSENT:

Councillor Ebony Logins  
Councillor Kevin Pearson

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tait called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

### MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

#### MOVED K. Reay – B. Berger

THAT this meeting be closed to the public under section 90(1)(g) of the *Community Charter* as it pertains to litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.

**CARRIED**

#### In Favour:

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

#### Absent:

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

### CALL TO ORDER - OPEN PORTION

Mayor Tait called the open portion of the Regular Council meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**MOVED** R.Kasper – K. Reay

THAT the agenda for the November 28, 2016 Regular Council meeting be approved as circulated, with:

- Item RA-1 RCMP Quarterly Report moved to immediately following adoption of Council and COW minutes.
- Deletion of PI-1 Bylaw No. 658, *Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw*

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**MOVED** K. Reay – B. Berger

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on November 28, 2016 be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

## **DELEGATIONS**

### **D-1 Wild Wise Sooke - Debbie Read**

Debbie Read, representing Wild Wise Sooke, provided a PowerPoint Presentation outlining the goals and history of the program. Wild Wise's general approach to reducing wildlife conflict is to educate residents on managing attractants, including fruit trees and garbage. Ms. Read shared statistics on bear and cougar related calls to the Conservation Officer, as well as the numbers of animals who have had to be destroyed over the past few years.

Council discussion:

- Statistics show the program is working, as conflicts are reduced and the number of animals destroyed is decreasing.

### **D-2 Transition Sooke – Jeff Bateman**

- Waste Management Bylaw

Jeff Bateman, representing Transition Sooke, provided a PowerPoint presentation and outlined a proposal for a waste management bylaw that would restrict residents to putting their waste receptacles at the curb no earlier than 5:00 am on collection days.

Council discussion:

- Possibility of working with private sector to manage quicker pick up times.
- Discussion of ways to deal with enforcement and education.

**MOVED** B. Parkinson - R. Kasper

THAT staff provide a report to the Protective Services & Community Safety Committee outlining a draft Waste Management Bylaw for recommendation to Council.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**D-3 Zoning at 6545 Sooke Rd - Ron Fedosenko**

Ron Fedosenko addressed Council and spoke regarding issues with commercial businesses operating at 6545 Sooke Road. A previous Council motion supported the issuing of a business license despite non-conforming use, but it was linked to a specific business. Mr. Fedosenko would like to seek a more permanent solution, rather than having to ask for an exception every time a new business would like to operate.

**MOVED** K. Reay - R. Kasper

THAT staff provide a report regarding the issuance of business licenses at 6545 Sooke Road.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**D-4 Friends of Goodmere - Les Poltak**

- Update on Goodmere Road
- Rainwater Management Plan

Les Poltak, representing the Friends of Goodmere, addressed Council and requested updated information on Council's plans for re-alignment of Goodmere Road. Mr. Poltak spoke regarding the history of the area, including private development plans that have been stalled, and requested improved communication with residents and investors regarding plans for Goodmere Road.

Council discussion:

- Building a Town Centre that is vibrant and accessible is a strategic priority. A staff report outlining timelines and budget should be available shortly.
- Clarification regarding history of Goodmere Road and payment of re-alignment using Development Cost Charge funds.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **U-1 Request for Motion of Support to Establish a Regional Transportation Service**

Council discussion:

- The CRD governance model is a concern as weighted votes can work against Sooke.
- The pressures on Highway 14 are not felt on a regional level. Lobbying the provincial government on behalf of Sooke may be more effective.
- A collective, regional voice may have more impact when seeking federal infrastructure funding.
- Clarification of cost to the District of Sooke, at planning phase and at subsequent phases.

**MOVED** R. Kasper – B. Parkinson

THAT the District of Sooke support the establishment of a regional transportation service throughout the Capital Regional District.

**DEFEATED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Kasper, Mayor Tait

**Opposed:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Reay, Councillor Parkinson

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**MOVED** K. Reay – B. Parkinson

THAT the District of Sooke send a letter to Capital Regional District Board indicating non-support for establishment of a regional transportation service throughout the Capital Regional District.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Reay, Councillor Parkinson

**Opposed:**

Councillor Kasper, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

## PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

Council heard from the following members of the public:

- Ellen Lewers, Sooke resident, spoke regarding the proposed Firearms and Bow Use Bylaw.
- Kevin Wenstob, Sooke resident, spoke regarding the Class 5 Tax Ratio.
- Margarita Dominguez, Sooke resident, spoke regarding the delegation from Wild Wise Sooke.

## BYLAWS

### B-1 Bylaw No. 647, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (600-32) - 6038 Sooke Road*

**MOVED** B. Parkinson – K. Reay

THAT Bylaw No. 647, Zoning Amendment Bylaw (600-32) – 6038 Sooke Road, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

### B-2 Bylaw No. 659, *Firearms and Bow Use Bylaw, 2016*

The Corporate Services department presented an initial draft of the Firearms and Bow Use Bylaw for Council feedback.

Council discussion:

- Based on public feedback, staff to add “air rifle” to definitions in bylaw.
- Discussion regarding provincial hunting laws, specifically regarding properties north of the powerlines, properties in the ALR and farms.
- Updated draft of the Firearms and Bow Use Bylaw to be brought back the December 12<sup>th</sup> Regular Council meeting.

## REPORTS REQUIRING ACTION

### RA-1 RCMP Quarterly Report

Staff Sergeant Jeff McArthur provided a verbal overview of the Sooke RCMP detachment, including current member strength and 2016 case files to date. The detachment is still

waiting to fill an additional Constable position, as federal letters of approval have delayed the process.

Staff Sergeant McArthur also spoke regarding Sooke's Victim's Services program and the need for additional municipal funding to cover operating costs. Costs are to be shared 50/50 between municipal and provincial bodies, with Juan de Fuca Regional District responsible for approximately 37% of the municipal portion. A formal written request for additional funds will be sent shortly from the Sooke Transition House as they administer funds for the program.

Council Discussion:

- Clarification of amount of municipal funding that will be requested.
- Discussion of the operating costs of the program.

**MOVED** K. Reay - B. Parkinson

THAT the Mayor write a letter to RCMP Chief Superintendent Ray Bernoties, Island District Commander, outlining the District of Sooke's concerns regarding the 18-month wait to fill the new Constable position.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**RA-2 Class 5 Tax Ratio**

The Director of Financial Services provided an overview of the written staff report.

Council Discussion:

- Clarification that the intention of the change was not to shift tax burden onto residential property owners.
- Discussion as to balancing a desire to attract business and light industry, while still maintaining affordable taxation rates and revenue to develop necessary infrastructure for a growing community.

**MOVED** B. Parkinson – K. Reay

THAT staff provide a report reviewing Policy 5.5, *Revenue, Tax and Budget Policy, 2008*.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**RA-3 2017 Council Appointments to Regional Board Committees and Commissions**

**MOVED R. Kasper – B. Berger**

That Council appoint Councillor Parkinson as Council Member and Councillor Reay as Alternate to the Capital Regional District, Regional Housing Trust Fund Commission for the years 2017 and 2018.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**MOVED K. Reay – B. Berger**

THAT Council appoint Councillor Berger as Council Member and Councillor Reay as Alternate to the Sooke and Electoral Area Parks and Recreation Commission (SEAPARC) for the year 2017.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

#### **RA-4 Appointment of Board of Variance Member**

**MOVED B. Parkinson – K. Reay**

THAT staff be directed to continue advertising on the District's website for member applications regarding the Board of Variance appointment, until a qualified application has been received.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

#### **REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

##### **RI-1 Development Cost Charges Update January - November 2016**

**MOVED B. Parkinson – K. Reay**

THAT the November 28, 2016 Development Cost Charges Update report, be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**RI-2 Mayor and Council Reports (verbal)**

Councillor Reay reported on attending:

- Screening of “A Changed Mind” presented by the Cridge Centre at Government House.
- Strategic Planning workshop for CREST.
- Retirement function for former Sooke Staff Sergeant Steve Wright.
- Royal Roads University presentation at the Prestige Hotel.

Councillor Parkinson reported on attending:

- Juan de Fuca Salmon Restoration Society event.
- Te'mexw Treaty meeting.
- MOU working group meeting with T'Sou-ke Nation.
- Royal Roads University presentation at the Prestige Hotel.
- Sooke Christmas Bureau Food Drive.
- Sooke Salmon Enhancement Centre event.

Mayor Tait reported on:

- Attending the UBCM Executive meetings in Vancouver.
- Transit Commission orientation to take place in December, followed by the first Commission meeting on December 13.
- Chamber of Commerce breakfast series event on November 29.
- Attending the Capital Regional District Board meetings. The first round of the Regional Sustainability Strategy will be coming forward for Council feedback shortly.
- The Sooke Santa Parade which will be held on Sunday, December 4.

**CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION**

**C-1 Letter received November 15, 2016 from CRD re: 2003 Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) Amendment Bylaw 4124 – Referral for Municipal Acceptance**

**MOVED** B. Parkinson – R. Kasper

THAT the District of Sooke accept the Capital Regional District 2003 RGS Amendment Bylaw 4124.

**CARRIED**



**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**C-2 Letter received November 16, 2016 – Loretta Rose Deutscher Re: Council Chamber Public Elevator**

**MOVED** B. Parkinson – R. Kasper

THAT staff to write a report on the cost of a replacement elevator to service the Council Chamber, for consideration in 2017 budget planning.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**MOVED** K. Reay - B. Parkinson

THAT staff provide a report on the servicing of elevators in Council Chamber and the Sooke Community Centre.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**C-3 Letter received November 16, 2016 – Royal Canadian Mounted Police Re: Corporate Management and Comptrollership Branch (CMCB) Availability for Presentations**

**MOVED** K. Reay – R. Kasper

THAT staff be directed to invite representatives from the RCMP Corporate Management and Comptrollership Branch (CMCB) to present to Council at an upcoming meeting regarding RCMP financing.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**C-4 Letter received November 16, 2016 – Cathy Peters Re: Human Trafficking/Sexual Exploitation, Youth and Child Exploitation, Youth Porn Use/Addiction In BC**

**MOVED** K. Reay – B. Parkinson

THAT the correspondence from Cathy Peters re: Human Trafficking/Sexual Exploitation, Youth and Child Exploitation, Youth Porn Use and Addiction in BC, be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

Staff were asked to send a letter to Ms. Peters and include the resolution from Council regarding receipt of her letter dated November 16, 2016.

**C-5 Email received November 17, 2016 – BC Guide to Arts & Culture Re: Call for Advertisements for The Definitive Guide for the Arts & Cultural Traveler 16<sup>th</sup> Edition (deadline December 9, 2016)**

**MOVED** B. Parkinson – K. Reay

THAT the correspondence from BC's Guide to Art and Culture, be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**C-6 Email received November 22, 2016– Small Business BC Awards Re: Four Local Businesses in Sooke Nominated for 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Small BC Business Awards**

**MOVED**

THAT staff be directed to issue a Press Release recognizing the four local businesses nominated for the Small Business BC Awards.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

## CORRESPONDENCE AND COUNCIL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

### I-1 Correspondence received November 14 - 28, 2016

**MOVED** B. Parkinson – K. Reay

THAT the correspondence received November 14 – 23, 2016, (listed as agenda items I-1 – I-6), be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

## REPORT OF IN CAMERA RESOLUTIONS

### RIC-1 Items for Release from In-Camera Minutes held on November 14, 2016

The following resolutions from the November 14, 2016 In-Camera meeting, are released to the public:

1. THAT Council approve a moratorium on business licenses for marijuana-related dispensaries for the District of Sooke, effective immediately;  
AND maintain status-quo on the regulation of medical marijuana-related storefronts until federal legislation is implemented.
2. THAT Council support the formation of the new Council Standing Committees for 2017.

## MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

**MOVED** B. Berger – K. Reay

THAT this meeting be closed to the public under section 90(1)(g) of the *Community Charter* as it pertains to litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

## ADJOURNMENT

**MOVED**

To adjourn the meeting at 10:47 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour:**

Councillor Berger, Councillor Kasper, Councillor Parkinson, Councillor Reay, Mayor Tait

**Absent:**

Councillor Logins, Councillor Pearson

**Certified Correct:**

Original signed by

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**Maja Tait**  
**Mayor**

Original signed by

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**Gabryel Joseph**  
**Corporate Officer**