



DISTRICT OF SOOKE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
held in the Council Chamber
at 2225 Otter Point Road, Sooke, BC
October 26, 2015
6:00 p.m., Closed Portion, Meeting Room
7:00 p.m., Open Portion, Council Chamber

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Maja Tait
Councillor Bev Berger
Councillor Rick Kasper
Councillor Ebony Logins
Councillor Brenda Parkinson
Councillor Kevin Pearson
Councillor Kerrie Reay

STAFF PRESENT (Open Portion)

Michael Dillabaugh, Acting CAO
Bonnie Sprinkling, Corporate Officer
Elisabeth Nelson, Municipal Engineer
Steve Sorensen, Fire Chief
Tina Hansen, Corporate Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

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

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

MOVED to close the meeting to the public under section 90(1) of the *Community Charter* to discuss:

- 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;
- 90(1)(c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- 90(1)(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;
- 90(1)(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- 90(1)(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO ORDER - OPEN PORTION

Mayor Tait called the open portion of the Regular Council meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED and seconded to add the following items to the agenda as new business/supplemental information:

Package 1

- Item UB-1 Supplementary Information – 6645 & 6647 Sooke Road – Sanitary Sewer Connection
- Verbal Report
 - September 28, 2015 Notice – that the Mayor requires Council reconsideration under section 131 Community Charter of the Council resolution of September 14, 2015 as follows:
“THAT the sewer hook-up be connected to the northern portion of Mr. Zigay’s property at 6645 Sooke Road as it was before.”
 - Written Report September 28, 2015
- Item RI-1 Supplementary Information – Town Centre Construction – Contract Update
- Item C-1 Public Submissions received RE: BC Ambulance Response Times
- Item NB-1 2015 Q3 Variance Report
- Item NB-2 Sooke River Road Park and BikeBC Cycling Infrastructure
- Item NB-3 Report of In Camera Resolutions – October 13, 2015 Regular Council Meeting – Sooke Program for the Arts – Committee Appointments

Package 2

- Item C-1 Supplementary Information – Correspondence RE: BC Ambulance Response Times
 - Correspondence received October 22, 2015 from the British Columbia Professional Fire Fighter’s Association

MOVED and seconded to approve the agenda with the removal of Item UB-1 6645 & 6647 Sooke Road – Sanitary Sewer Connection
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on October 13, 2015 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES FOR INFORMATION

MOVED and seconded that the following minutes be received for information:

September 24, 2015	Climate Change Action Committee
October 6, 2015	Parks & Trails Advisory Committee
October 7, 2015	Board of Variance
October 7, 2015	Long Term Financial Planning Committee
October 10, 2015	Hiring Committee

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

D-1 TELUS Communications

Chad Marlatt, TELUS Government Affairs Manager provided a powerpoint presentation and overview of a proposal for a wireless antenna installation at 6683 Sooke Road. Mr. Marlatt reported that the proposal is for be for a 15 meter high shrouded monopole located at the rear of the TELUS site in the Town Centre. Mr. Marlatt spoke to the increase in data traffic by smart phone users noting that 71% of 911 calls come through mobile phones. Mr. Marlatt overviewed the proposed improved cellular service areas for Sooke and provided a summary of TELUS's public consultation process to date. TELUS is looking for endorsement (concurrence) by Council in order to move ahead with the installation of the monopole.

Council discussed:

- The District of Sooke has put a large amount of funding into the improvements in the Town Centre and Council would like to see TELUS work with the District's Sooke Program for the Arts ("SPA") Committee on a beautification project for the TELUS building and property located at 6683 Sooke Road
- Discussion as to the timeline for the installation of the proposed monopole
- The property is zoned public utility which is regulated by the federal government; TELUS is also federally regulated through Industry Canada
- TELUS requires concurrence by all local governments for the installation of monopoles. If approval is not provided, they would have to go through Industry Canada which is a lengthy process

Doug Anastos, General Manager, Vancouver Island, advised that TELUS will quite often work with municipalities on beautification projects and they would be willing to work with the District's SPA Committee on a project.

MOVED and seconded to endorse the proposed TELUS wireless antenna installation at 6683 Sooke Road as submitted to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D-2 Sooke Region Chamber of Commerce Report – Sean Dyble

Sean Dyble provided a PowerPoint presentation and summary of the Sooke Region Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Update. Mr. Dyble provided information as to the Chamber's funding model advising that they receive \$78,000 in annual revenue that is expended to member-only events, community events, economic development and general administration. Mr. Dyble reviewed the learning opportunities through the "Sooke Region Learning Collaborative" programs which offer education for adults on a broad range of topics. Mr. Dyble also spoke to the important outcomes of the recently held Sooke Region Chamber of Commerce Symposium.

Mr. Dyble advised the Chamber would like to continue to work collaboratively with the District of Sooke and hold regular discussions on economic development opportunities and common priorities.

Mayor Tait advised that Council will be looking at their own Strategic Priorities for the coming year and that it would be good for the Chamber and Council to share priorities.

PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

Gail Hall, Sooke resident addressed Council as to her previous comments made at the October 13th Regular Council meeting regarding the Development Permit and Development Variance Permit for 6523 and 6527 Sooke Road and concerns as to toxic materials contained in shipping containers. Ms. Hall advised that Part 3.2(d)(iii) prohibits the use of a shipping container as a dwelling. Ms. Hall also provided comments as to the zoning of the Sooke River Road property, the proposed parking area and the multi-use trail.

Ellen Lewers, Sooke resident, addressed Council as to concerns of the BikeBC grant application and inquired as to the Sooke Region Chamber of Commerce "Sooke Region Learning Collaborative" program. Ms. Lewers stated that she did not agree with Council giving approval to TELUS for the installation of the wireless antenna as there has not been any public consultation on the issue.

Mayor Tait clarified that the TELUS property has the proper zoning in place to install the wireless antenna.

Mary Brooke, Sooke Voice News, addressed Council as to the Sooke Region Chamber of Commerce Symposium and her concerns that the media was not welcome to attend and report on the event.

Rick Hobday, representing the Sooke Horseshoe Pitching Association, inquired as to the Agricultural Land Commission approval for the horseshoe pitch. Mr. Hobday advised that they were issued a stop work order but the current location is not completely within the ALR and asked whether they will be able to continue to construct the pitches in this location.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

RI-1 Town Centre Construction – Contract Update

MOVED and seconded to direct staff to remove the Phase 2 Grant Road Connector from the Financial Plan in 2015 and 2016 and that the funding from the GST and Casino Reserve funds and taxes that were allocated to this project be reallocated to the Town Centre Construction project;

AND FURTHER TO authorize the additional funding for the project to be funded through Gas Tax.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RI-2 Sooke Fire Rescue Service 3rd Quarter Report

MOVED and seconded to receive the Sooke Fire Rescue Service 2015 3rd Quarter Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RI-3 Mayor and Council Reports (Verbal)

Mayor Tait reported on the upcoming Safe Halloween event on October 31st and the Sooke Legion Remembrance Day Parade on November 11th. Mayor Tait provided information for Council as to an upcoming Economic Development Summit at Camosun College, the CRD Regional Sustainability Strategy and CRD Regional Parks Committee Annual Report. Mayor Tait reported on the Primary Health Care Working Group advising that there has been an extensive analysis and a report will be released on the Sooke x-ray facilities. The Working Group is looking at holding a public health summit in March 2016 to provide information to and get feedback from the public. Mayor Tait also reported on the Victoria Benevolent Society and the activation of the extreme weather shelter.

Councillor Kasper suggested that the Mayor contact the Medical Services Commission who is responsible for issuing the billing licences for the Medical Services Plan. Councillor Kasper reported that these licences are issued on the basis to operate and provide x-ray and diagnostic services to the people in the community.

Councillor Reay noted how families are economically impacted by having to take time from work to commute to Victoria to have a child or family member x-rayed.

RI-4 CAO Report (Verbal)

Mr. Dillabaugh advised that there was nothing new to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 2015 Q3 Variance Report

MOVED and seconded to receive the 2015 Q3 Variance Report for information as to the 2015 Third Quarter Variance financial report
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NB-2 Sooke River Road Park and BikeBC Cycling Infrastructure Grant

MOVED and seconded to continue to wait for a response from the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) as to the approval for a multi-use trail located on Sooke River Road Park before making a decision on the location of the trail, parking and horseshoe pitch;
AND TO direct Staff apply to BikeBC for an extension for completion of the multi-use trail project;
AND THAT Staff inquire with Bike BC as to whether an alternate location for the multi-use trail would be considered by the Province.
CARRIED **Councillor Berger, Logins and Reay opposed the motion**

NB-3 Report of In Camera Resolutions

October 13, 2015 Regular Council Meeting – Closed Portion
Sooke Program of the Arts Committee – Member Appointments

MOVED and seconded that Council appoint the following persons as members of the Sooke Program of the Arts Committee for 2015 and 2016:

Lorna Cospier
Drew Johnston
Frederique Philip
John David Russell
Bob Tully

AND FURTHER that Council release the Sooke Program of the Arts committee appointments to the public.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

- C-1 Public Submissions received RE: BC Ambulance Response Times**
MOVED and seconded to file the correspondence received regarding BC Ambulance Response Times.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE AND COUNCIL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

- I-1 Correspondence received September 19, 2015 from Vancouver Island Regional Library Board** RE: Press Release: Library Board Adopts Balanced 2016 Operating Budget
MOVED and seconded to file the correspondence received September 19, 2015 from Vancouver Island Regional Library Board.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- I-2 Correspondence received October 1, 2015 from British Columbia Lottery Corp.**
RE: BCLC's plans for Greater Victoria marketplace
MOVED and seconded to refer the September 30, 2015 correspondence from the B.C. Lottery Corp. back to Staff to provide a report to Council as to the BC Lottery Corp.'s plans for an additional casino in the Capital Regional District;
AND FURTHER that Staff prepare for Council approval a letter of support for the City of View Royal and Westshore municipalities request that the B.C. Lottery Corp. hold off on any proposed new casino in the Capital Regional District.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- I-3 Correspondence received October 8, 2015 from BC Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development** RE: Asset Management Strategy Grant
MOVED and seconded to file the correspondence received October 8, 2015 from BC Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- I-4 Council Reader File – September 2015**
MOVED and seconded to file the Council Reader File for September 2015.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded to adjourn the open portion of the Regular Council meeting at 9:04 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 10:35 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Certified Correct:

Maja Tait
Mayor

Bonnie Sprinkling
Corporate Officer