



DISTRICT OF SOOKE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
held in the Council Chamber
at 2225 Otter Point Road, Sooke, BC
on TUESDAY, February 9, 2016
6:00 p.m., Closed Portion, Meeting Room
7:00 p.m., Open Portion, Council Chamber

COUNCIL PRESENT

Acting Mayor Kerrie Reay
Councillor Rick Kasper
Councillor Brenda Parkinson
Councillor Kevin Pearson

STAFF PRESENT (Open Portion)

Teresa Sullivan, Chief Administrative Officer
Brent Blackhall, Director of Finance
Gabryel Joseph, Director of Corporate Services
Steve Sorensen, Fire Chief
Rob Howat, Director of Development Services
Katherine Lesyshen, Planner II
Tina Hansen, Acting Corporate Officer, recorder

ABSENT: Mayor Maja Tait, Councillor Bev Berger, Councillor Ebony Logins

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Reay called the meeting to order at 6:01 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)(l) discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [annual municipal report].

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO ORDER - OPEN PORTION

Acting Mayor Reay called the open portion of the Regular Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED and seconded to approve the agenda with the following items as new business:

- **Item NB-1 Public Officer and Designated Employee Appointments**
- **Item NB-2 Correspondence received February 5, 2016 from City of Port Coquitlam RE: 2016 FCM Resolution – Building Canada Grant Funding**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on January 25, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on January 26, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES FOR INFORMATION

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

January 21, 2016	Sooke Community Centre Advisory Committee
January 26, 2016	Emergency Planning Committee
January 27, 2016	Sooke Program for the Arts Committee
January 28, 2016	Climate Change Action Committee

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

D-1 Sooke Lions Club – “Gateway to Sooke” Proposed Revitalization Project, John Farmer and Godfrey Medhurst

John Farmer and Godfrey Medhurst, Sooke Lion’s Club provided an overview of the Gateway to Sooke Revitalization Project at the “Welcome to Sooke” sign. The proposal is for a collaborative project with key community stakeholders including the T’Sou-ke First Nations, District of Sooke, Ministry of Transportation, community groups and schools. A rendition of the proposed project includes solar/led signage, seating, watering station, bike racks and additional parking. The Sooke Lion’s Club is asking that Council give consideration to having staff work with them on a strategy for the project and for Council to consider including funds for the project in the District of Sooke’s financial plan.

MOVED and seconded to support in principle the Sooke Lion’s Club Gateway to Sooke revitalization project,

AND TO direct staff to enter into discussions with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) as to types of uses that would be permitted on the property;

AND FURTHER TO refer the proposed project to the Long Term Financial Planning Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D-2 Team Sooke/Juan de Fuca Refugee Sponsorship Committee – Sponsorship Request, Sid Jorna, Chair

Sid Jorna, Chair Team Sooke/Juan de Fuca Refugee Sponsorship Committee provided a powerpoint presentation and overview of the Committee’s efforts to raise funds to bring a refugee family to Sooke. Mr. Jorna stated that the Committee believes that Sooke is a welcoming and safe community to raise a family. Mr. Jorna overviewed the sponsorship process; sponsorship funds will be used to provide for the refugee family’s basic needs for one year as the trained support group helps the family become self sufficient. Mr. Jorna advised that it is important to have the help and involvement of the community in order to

bring a family to Sooke. The Committee is asking for Council's support their grant application for funding to sponsor a refugee family.

Council took the opportunity to thank Mr. Jorna for his presentation.

PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

Council heard from the following public speakers:

1. Ellen Lewers
2. Lorne Christensen

BYLAWS

B-1 Bylaw No. 629, *Officers and Employees Amendment Bylaw (398-1)*

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 629, *Officers and Employees Amendment Bylaw (398-1)* be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B-2 2017 Idlemore Road Bylaw No. 627, *Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (400-8)* Bylaw No. 628, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (600-21)*

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 627, *Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (400-8)* be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 628, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (600-21)* be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B-3 Sooke Zoning Bylaw Proposed Amendments Bylaw No. 630, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (600-22)*

Katherine Lesyshen provided a powerpoint presentation and summary of proposed amendments to Bylaw No. 600, *Sooke Zoning Bylaw, 2013*.

ACTION ITEM: That staff look at including consistency in permitted uses throughout the Commercial Zones (C1-C-4) in the next *Sooke Zoning Bylaw* review.

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 630 *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (600-22)* be introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 630 *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (600-22)* be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded to direct staff to schedule a Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 630 in accordance with the *Local Government Act* and *Community Charter* Notice requirements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

RI-1 Mayor and Council Reports (Verbal)

Councillor Pearson reported on attending the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission meeting and provided an update as to the Commission's discussions on the extension of the water line from LaRonde Road to the District of Sooke boundary on Otter Point Road. Councillor Pearson advised that a report will be coming forward to the Commission in the fall providing recommendations to consider on the water line extension as a Development Cost Charges (DCC) project.

Councillor Kasper reported on attending a number of CRD Committee meetings. Councillor Kasper advised that these meetings were to reaffirm each of the Committee's 2016 work plans being mindful of tax dollars. Councillor Kasper provided an update as to the Ministry of Transportations Planning Committee's recent presentation on the Mackenzie Interchange Project. Councillor Kasper also attended the Local Government Leadership Forum (LGLA) in Richmond.

Acting Mayor Reay also reported on attending the Local Government Leadership Forum advising that the forums are advantageous and bring added value to Council and their work. Acting Mayor Reay read her statement as to the Chief Administrative Officer's review of the operations of the District of Sooke.

Teresa Sullivan reported that her work to date has been to ensure that the District is following good governance practices. Ms. Sullivan advised that implementing the District's Strategic Plan is a priority for Mayor and Council and senior staff. The five pillars of fiscal sustainability, excellence in management and governance, community planning, economic prosperity and enhancing community livability will be the focus over the next four years. Ms. Sullivan took the opportunity to introduce the District of Sooke's corporate leadership team.

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 Public Officer and Designated Employee Appointments

MOVED and seconded to appoint Brent Blackhall as Financial Officer aka Director of Finance under section 149 of the *Community Charter*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NB-2 Correspondence received February 5, 2016 from the City of Port Coquitlam RE: 2016 FCM Resolution – Build Canada Grant Funding

MOVED and seconded to support the City of Port Coquitlam in their 2016 FCM Resolution - Build Canada Grant Funding.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

- C-1 Correspondence dated January 14, 2016 from Westcoast Flyfishers Association RE:**
2016 Fishing Exploratory offered to Journey Middle School students – Request for sponsorship

Jochen Moehr, Volunteer Organizer addressed Council reporting that the Westcoast Flyfishers Association have been providing fly time instruction to Journey Middle School students at least once per year. They have been asked by the principal to provide more instructions and have come up with a program that consists of five fly time sessions for students from April to June. The Westcoast Flyfishers Association is looking for funding towards the purchase of safety equipment for the students in the program.

Acting Mayor Reay asked Mr. Moehr to contact the District of Sooke Director of Finance Brent Blackhall to see if the Westcoast Flyfishers Association would be eligible for funding under the District's Community Grant Program or through sponsorship advertising.

- C-2 Correspondence dated February 1, 2016 from Victoria Chamber of Commerce RE:**
Proclamation Request – Chamber Week February 15-19, 2016

MOVED and seconded to file the Correspondence dated February 1, 2016 from the Victoria Chamber of Commerce.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT OF IN CAMERA RESOLUTIONS

- RIC-1 Resolutions from January 25, 2016 Regular Council Meeting – In Camera portion:**
- Southern Vancouver Island Regional Economic Development

MOVED and seconded to direct the Acting Mayor to inform the Interim Board of Directors that the District of Sooke will not be proceeding with its membership with, and involvement in the initiatives of the South Vancouver Island Regional Economic Development Society.
AND THAT this resolution be released to the public.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Certified Correct:

Kerrie Reay
Acting Mayor

Tina Hansen
Acting Corporate Officer