

DISTRICT OF SECHELT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
held at 5797 Cowrie Street, Sechelt, BC
Wednesday, February 21, 2018

PRESENT Deputy Mayor A. Lutes; Councillors D. Inkster; M. Shanks; D. Wright; N. Muller; and D. Siegers

REGRETS Mayor B. Milne

STAFF Director of Corporate and Financial Services D. Stewart; Arts and Culture Coordinator S. Smith and Recording Secretary M. Sugars

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF CONFLICT

The Deputy Mayor called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and asked for any declarations of Conflict of Interest.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. No. 2018-2C-1 – Moved/Seconded

That the Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. APPOINTMENTS AND DELEGATIONS

3.1 Glen Bonderud, President and Chair of the Sunshine Coast Community Forest

Mr. Bonderud addressed Council regarding the Sunshine Coast Community Forest's fourth quarter results. He began by stating that logging had finished earlier in the year, with final numbers being determined during the fourth quarter. He explained that the budgeted plan of harvesting East Wilson in 2017 was delayed until 2018 therefore the volumes were all from the Sechelt fire site, which took some time to get all permits to log in the area. Mr. Bonderud noted that the species were a good mix this year; however they did not process pulp logs. He also stated that approximately 200 firewood permits were issued. He explained that the deactivation of some roads will occur in 2018; however he does not know which ones at this time. He explained that the deactivation of roads that are no longer in use helps to minimize illegal dumping. Mr. Bonderud expressed their support of the District applying for the renaming of "Wormy Lake" to John Phare Lake in honour of John, as he was a main contractor for them over the years. Mr. Bonderud concluded his presentation by noting that the past year their Operations Manager has dealt with many community groups who have asked for help;

such as the Trails Society, Mountain Bikers, Sunshine Coast Wildlife Project, the Sechelt Groves Society and Gibsons Wildlife Rehab Centre.

The Deputy Mayor thanked Mr. Bonderud for his presentation.

4. PROCLAMATIONS

4.1 Toastmasters Month- February 2018

The Deputy Mayor proclaimed February 2018 Toastmasters Month.

5. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES OF COUNCIL

5.1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 7, 2018

Res. No. 2018-2C-2 – Moved/Seconded

That the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 7, 2018 be amended by the following:

- That item 3.1 (Andrew Ambrozy with Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)) be amended to clarify that discussion of a proposed Master's program at the Water Resource Centre could include research on removing pharmaceuticals from water, not the processing of pharmaceutical waste
- That the second bullet in the discussion of item 10.1 (Modification of Biosolids Composting Partnering Agreement – Salish Soils) be amended to clarify that it is important to extend the current agreement until both the new site is complete and the new agreement is signed; and

That the minutes be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

5.2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 7, 2018

Res. No. 2018-2C-3 – Moved/Seconded

That the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 7, 2018 be adopted.

CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING

None.

7. COMMITTEE / COMMISSION MINUTES AND REPORTS

7.1 Minutes of the Special Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of January 17, 2018

Res. No. 2018-2C-4 – Moved/Seconded

That the Minutes of the Special Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of January 17, 2018 be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-5 – Moved/Seconded

That the following recommendations from the Special Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of January 17, 2018 be endorsed:

Recommendation No. 3 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That the report from the Director of Corporate and Financial Services dated January 9, 2018 be received.

Recommendation No. 4 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That early approval of the Community Investment Program budget of \$52,000 be granted.

Recommendation No. 5 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That early approval of the Nestman Beach Access - Phase II capital project for \$10,000 be granted.

Recommendation No. 6 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That early approval of the Wildlife Resistant Garbage Cans (Davis Bay) capital project for \$15,000 be granted.

Recommendation No. 7 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That early approval of the Trail Avenue Sewer Relocation - Teredo Lane to Teredo Street capital project for \$25,000 be granted.

Recommendation No. 8 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That early approval of the Trail Bay Waterfront - Trail to Ocean Avenue Community Park capital project for \$174,000 be granted.

DEFEATED

Recommendation No. 9 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That staff bring a cost estimate for public consultation and preliminary design options for the Trail Bay Waterfront - Trail to Ocean Avenue Community Park capital project to regular budget deliberations.

Recommendation No. 10 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That early approval of the Trail Avenue Storm Trunk Line - Ebbitide to Pebble Crescent project for \$250,000 be granted.

Recommendation No. 11 – 2018 Budget – Early Approval Request

That early approval of the Trail Avenue Construction P1: Teredo Street to Anchor Road capital project for \$2,500,000 be granted.

Recommendation No. 12 – 2018 - 2022 Financial Plan Communication Strategy

That the report from the Director of Corporate and Financial Services dated January 9, 2018 regarding the Financial Plan Communication Strategy be received.

Recommendation No. 13 – 2018 - 2022 Financial Plan Communication Strategy

That the 2018 – 2022 Financial Plan communication strategy as outlined by District staff be endorsed.

Recommendation No. 14 – 2018 Budget – Business Cases

That the report from the Director of Corporate and Financial Services dated January 9, 2018 regarding the 2018 Budget – Business Cases be received.

CARRIED

7.2 Minutes of the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of February 14, 2018

Res. No. 2018-2C-6 – Moved/Seconded

That the Minutes of the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of February 14, 2018 be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-7 – Moved/Seconded

That Recommendation No. 7 (Sechelt Library Funding Increase Request) from the Minutes of the February 14, 2018 be removed and dealt with separately; and

That the following recommendations be endorsed:

Recommendation No. 3 – Mobile Vending Location at Trail Bay

That further consultation of the proposed amendment to the Parks, Lands and Roads Temporary Rental Amendment Bylaw No. 480-1, 2008 be conducted with the Sechelt Downtown Business Association, Chamber of Commerce and the Farmers' and Artisans' Market regarding the addition of a seasonal mobile vending location in Friendship Park at Trail Bay in Sechelt prior to Council consideration.

Recommendation No. 4 – Sunshine Coast Community Foundation Grant Policy

That the report from the Director of Corporate and Financial Services and the Arts, Culture & Communications Coordinator dated February 7, 2018 regarding the Sunshine Coast Community Foundation Grant Policy be received.

Recommendation No. 5 – Sunshine Coast Community Foundation Grant Policy

That the Foundation Grants for Community-Initiated Projects Policy be adopted as attached to the February 14, 2018 Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting Agenda.

Recommendation No. 6 – Sechelt Library Funding Increase Request

That the report from the Director of Corporate and Financial Services dated February 7, 2018 regarding Sechelt Library Funding Increase Request be received for information.

Recommendation No. 8 – 2018 Budget – Additional Requests

That the report from the Director of Corporate and Financial Services dated February 7, 2018 regarding the 2018 Budget – Additional Requests be received.

Recommendation No. 9 – 2018 Budget – Additional Requests

That the following items be removed from the 2018 Budget – Additional Requests:

- No. 5 Pedestrian path across Wharf Avenue near Daphne's Restaurant and the Old Boot Eatery
- No. 6 Traffic light at Shorncliffe Avenue

Recommendation No. 10 – 2018 Budget – Additional Requests

That the following items be removed from the 2018 Budget – Additional Requests:

- No. 9 Widening of the bottom end/entrance up Selma Park Road
- No. 10 Bicycle lanes from Davis Bay to downtown Sechelt
- No. 11 Turn lane or safer traffic set up for Selma Park Road
- No. 12 Sidewalk up field road, preferably on the residential side
- No. 19 Create a bike path from Sechelt to Sandy Hook, and onwards to Tuwanek

Recommendation No. 11 – 2018 Budget – Additional Requests

That item No. 21 (Build stairs or hand railing for Secret Beach Access) from the 2018 Budget – Additional Requests be referred to the Parks, Public Works and Environment Committee Meeting for further discussion.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-8 – Moved/Seconded

Recommendation No. 7 – Sechelt Library Funding Increase Request

That the District of Sechelt discuss the request of the Sechelt Library for funding of additional capital expenditures for the 2018 budget under the 5 year Memorandum of Understanding with other Sechelt library funders.

CARRIED

Recess: *The Deputy Mayor recessed the meeting at 7:21pm*

Reconvene: *The Deputy Mayor reconvened the meeting at 7:24pm*

Res. No. 2018-2C-9 – Moved/Seconded

That Council approve providing the Sechelt Public Library with a one-time grant of \$45,425 subject to the Sunshine Coast Regional District and the Sechelt Indian Government District agreeing to provide a similar grant proportional to each funder's share of the 2018 Funding and Services Agreement.

DEFEATED

8. BYLAWS

8.1 Porpoise Bay Harbour Regulation Amendment Bylaw

Res. No. 2018-2C-10 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Corporate Officer dated February 14, 2018 regarding Porpoise Bay Harbour Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 494-2, 2017, be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-11 – Moved/Seconded

That Council proceed with rescinding third reading, and giving third reading to Porpoise Bay Harbour Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 494-2, 2017, as amended.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-12 – Moved/Seconded

That third reading of Porpoise Bay Harbour Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 494-2, 2017 be rescinded this 21st day of February, 2018.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-13 – Moved/Seconded

That Porpoise Bay Harbour Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 494-2, 2017 be read a third time, as amended, this 21st day of February, 2018.

CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. BUSINESS ITEMS

10.1 District support for the Sunshine Coast Resource Centre Society's Knowledge Exchange Project

Res. No. 2018-2C-14 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Arts, Culture and Communications Coordinator dated February 13, 2018, regarding District support for the Sunshine Coast Resource Centre Society's Knowledge Exchange Project be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-15 – Moved/Seconded

That Council endorse the request for support from the Community Resource Society.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-16 – Moved/Seconded

That Council direct staff to submit an application to the Sunshine Coast Community Foundation's 2018 community grant program when and if invited to do so by the Foundation.

CARRIED

10.2 Garbage Tags 2018

Res. No. 2018-2C-17 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Engineering Technician 1 dated January 31, 2018 regarding garbage tag cost be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-2C-18 – Moved/Seconded

That Council authorize staff to bring forward the necessary amendment to Bylaw 548, 2016 to increase the cost of garbage tags to \$4.00.

CARRIED

11. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

11.1 Reports from Councillors

Reports on Liaison Activities, General Reports

Councillor Wright shared that he spent an uninterrupted two weeks in Mexico and when he returned he met with District residents.

Councillor Siegers informed Council that she attended the Library Annual General Meeting (AGM), where a full board was established for the first time in quite some time. She also noted attending a rezoning meeting for a property on Sechelt Inlet Road and the E-Town Hall Meeting. Councillor Siegers also attended a Sunshine Coast Homelessness Advisory Committee Meeting where some community initiatives that are in the preliminary stages were discussed, and will be discussed during their upcoming regular meetings. At the Sunshine Coast Homelessness Advisory Committee Meeting it was shared that the Sechelt Homeless Shelter is operating at capacity, having to turn residents away nightly. Councillor Siegers looks forward to attending the Library Canada 150 Renovation Ceremony, the Sechelt Downtown Business Association AGM and the Business Excellence Awards hosted by the Chambers of Commerce on the Sunshine Coast.

Councillor Muller shared his thoughts about the upcoming budget discussions and the positive changes happening regarding water throughout the Sunshine Coast. He noted his attendance at the E-Town Hall Meeting, where the issue of Councillors attending the annual Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) conference was raised. Councillor Muller noted that the majority of their training is conducted at the UBCM conference, with sessions running from early in the morning until late at night and often Councillors incur personal expenses during this conference. Councillor Muller concluded his report by stating that some of his best work as a Councillor has been done at the UBCM conference, especially regarding the preservation of our environment and coast line, which is vital to our community.

Councillor Shanks commented on his three week holiday into the US where he visited all things route 66. He noted that he was able to keep in touch with the District during this time thanks to the Districts' IT Manager. Councillor Shanks looks forward to attending the Library Canada 150 Renovation Ceremony, the Sechelt Downtown Business Association AGM and meeting the Districts' new Communications Manager.

Councillor Inkster noted that in addition to attending events mentioned by other Councillors, he looks forward to attending the upcoming Sechelt Downtown Business Association AGM and the Business Excellence Awards.

Deputy Mayor Lutes acknowledged that she has attended events mentioned by other Councillors, and looks forward to Mayor Milne returning.

11.2 SCRD Board – Council Representative Report

Councilor Inkster, the District's representative, commented that discussions regarding water on the Sunshine Coast continue. He noted that at the upcoming SCR D meeting discussion will take place regarding the landfill and its future moving forward, tipping fees, curbside recycling and waste reduction.

12. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING ITEMS

12.1 Council Correspondence, January 9th – January 29th, 2018

Res. No. 2018-2C-19 – Moved/Seconded

That Council Correspondence included on the February 21st, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Agenda be received.

CARRIED

In discussion it was noted that the Parliamentary Secretary for Poverty Reduction, MLA Mable Elmore, is still looking for further input on a poverty reduction strategy. It was also noted that the District will be writing a letter of thanks to Chief Librarian Margaret Hodgins, who has announced her resignation.

12.2 Sechelt Visitor Centre Statistics January 2017

Res. No. 2018-2C-20 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Sechelt Visitor Centre for January 2017 be received for information.

CARRIED

12.3 Sechelt Visitor Centre Statistics January 2018

Res. No. 2018-2C-21 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Sechelt Visitor Centre for January 2018 be received for information.

CARRIED

13. MAYOR, COUNCIL AND STAFF EMERGENCY ITEMS

No emergency items were brought forward.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Res. No. 2018-2C-22 – Moved/Seconded


That the Regular Council meeting of February 21st, 2018, be adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:



Alice Lutes, Deputy Mayor



Jo-Anne Frank, Corporate Officer