

DISTRICT OF SECHELT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
held at 5797 Cowrie Street, Sechelt, BC
Wednesday, June 20th, 2018
7:00pm

PRESENT Mayor B. Milne; Councillors D. Siegers; D. Inkster; N. Muller; D. Wright; M. Shanks; and A. Lutes (partial attendance)

STAFF Chief Administrative Officer A. Yeates; Director of Corporate and Financial Services D. Stewart; Director of Planning and Development Services, T. Corbett; Corporate Officer J. Frank; Community Planner A. Thompson; and Recording Secretary M. Sugars

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF CONFLICT

The Mayor called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and asked for any declarations of Conflict of Interest.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. No. 2018-6D-1 – Moved/Seconded

That the Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. APPOINTMENTS AND DELEGATIONS

3.1 Sheila Page – Climate Accountability

Ms. Page addressed Council regarding Climate Accountability, and the role fossil fuel companies play regarding their share of climate costs. She explained that in Sechelt we are experiencing increased severity and frequency of extreme weather events, which creates insecurity of water supply, destabilization of hillsides, foreshore erosion, increasing numbers of wild fires, and the alteration or destruction of habitat for salmon and other animals. She also explained that these effects have both health and financial implications on Sechelt. She expressed that it is the actions of fossil fuel companies that have caused these changes, and that these companies are seemingly exempt from the growing cost of climate change. She feels these exemptions will delay these companies from investing in sustainable clean technology, and tax payers should not be responsible for the full cost of climate change. Ms. Page requested that Council write a letter to major fossil fuel companies asking them to be accountable for paying their fair share of local climate costs.

The Mayor thanked Ms. Page for her presentation.

Res. No. 2018-6D-2 – Moved/Seconded

That staff be directed to draft a letter to fossil fuel companies regarding producer responsibility and be brought forward to Council for consideration at such a time where further discussion can take place.

CARRIED

3.2 April Struthers, MED, RCC Wit Works Ltd. – Organizing Against Racism and Hate

Ms. Struthers provided Council with an initial understanding of a Coast wide initiative which is funded by the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture under the Organizing Against Racism and Hate Program with Embrace BC. Funding was provided by Embrace BC to produce a protocol to create and embed a community response to critical incidents of racism and hate as well as organize an event to raise awareness. She noted that in the past these kinds of projects have been embedded with the District and other local governments. She explained that there is a current shift in population and demographics on the Sunshine Coast, where there is a worrying trend of “not in my backyard (NIMBY)” position. Ms. Struthers noted there have been incidents in other coastal communities and some traditional disconnects have taken place which prompt the need for a prevention mechanism. She explained that resilience needs to be built in order to prevent the racism and hate that already exists on the Sunshine Coast. Ms. Struthers concluded her presentation by explaining the next steps, protocol, and how this protocol fits within existing policies.

The Mayor thanked Ms. Struthers for her presentation.

4. PROCLAMATIONS

None.

5. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES OF COUNCIL

5.1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 6th, 2018

Res. No. 2018-6D-3 – Moved/Seconded

That the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 6th, 2018 be adopted.

CARRIED

Councillor Lutes left the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

7. COMMITTEE / COMMISSION MINUTES AND REPORTS

7.1 Minutes of the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of June 13, 2018

Res. No. 2018-6D-4 – Moved/Seconded

That the Minutes of the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of June 13, 2018 be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-5– Moved/Seconded

That Recommendations No. 4 and 5 be removed and dealt with separately; and

That the following recommendations from the Minutes of the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of June 13, 2018 be endorsed:

Recommendation No. 2 – Minutes of the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of May 9th, 2018

That the Minutes of the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of May 9th, 2018 be received.

Recommendation No. 3 – District of Sechelt Operations Centre

That the report from the Director of Engineering and Operations, the Director of Corporate and Financial Services and the Corporate Officer dated June 6th, 2018 regarding the Operations Centre, be received.

Recommendation No. 6 – Offset to Address the Elimination of the Municipal Officers' Allowance

That the report from The Director of Corporate and Financial Services dated June 6, 2018 regarding an Offset to Address the Elimination of the Municipal Officers' Allowance be received.

Recommendation No. 7 – Offset to Address the Elimination of the Municipal Officers' Allowance

That Council approve an adjustment to the Mayor and Council's remuneration, effective January 1, 2019, to offset the impact of the elimination of the one-third non-accountable Municipal Officers' Allowance on net pay; and

That Council direct staff to prepare a Council Remuneration policy for consideration.

CARRIED

It was noted that the Minutes of the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee Meeting of June 13, 2018 should be amended to correct that Councillor Shanks was not in attendance.

Res. No. 2018-6D-6– Moved/Seconded

Recommendation No. 4 – District of Sechelt Operations Centre

That Council approve a total budget for the Operation Centre of \$4,800,000 with \$800,000 funded from reserve funds and \$4 million funded from long-term debt; and

That District staff be directed to initiate a loan authorization bylaw to borrow \$4 million from the Municipal Finance Authority for a period of 25 years for the construction of the Operations Centre and

Recommendation No. 5 – District of Sechelt Operations Centre

That Council seek approval of the electors for the loan authorization bylaw by alternative approval process in accordance with section 86 of the Community Charter.

**DEFEATED
IN FAVOUR: Councillor Siegers**

8. BYLAWS

8.1 Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 492-22, 2018 (Wade) & Rezoning Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25 – 286, 2018 (Wade)

Res. No. 2018-6D-7 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Community Planner, dated May 25, 2018, regarding Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 492-22, 2018 (Wade) & Zoning Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25-286, 2018 (Wade) be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-8 – Moved/Seconded

That Council confirms that consultation with persons, organizations, and authorities has been early, ongoing, and is now concluded for Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 492- 22, 2018 (Wade) & Zoning Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25-286, 2018 (Wade).

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-9 – Moved/Seconded

That Zoning Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25-286, 2018 (Wade) be altered by reducing the maximum building height of the CD-42 zone from 19.62 metres and six storeys to five storeys.

**DEFEATED
IN FAVOUR: Councillor Siegers**

Res. No. 2018-6D-10 – Moved/Seconded

That Council refer the application back to staff to work with the applicant to amend the proposal and/or conditions and bring it back for further consideration.

CARRIED

8.2 Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25 – 290, 2018 (Murmac Construction Ltd.)

Res. No. 2018-6D-11 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Community Planner regarding the Zoning Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25-290, 2018 (Murmac Construction Ltd.) dated June 5, 2018 be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-12 – Moved/Seconded

That Zoning Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25-290, 2018 (Murmac Construction Ltd.) be given 2nd and 3rd reading.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-13 – Moved/Seconded

That Zoning Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25-290, 2018 (Murmac Construction Ltd.) be read a second time this 20th day of June, 2018

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-14 – Moved/Seconded

That Zoning Bylaw No. 25, 1987, Amendment Bylaw No. 25-290, 2018 (Murmac Construction Ltd.) be read a third time this 20th day of June, 2018

CARRIED

8.4 District of Sechelt Elections and Other Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 504-1, 2018

Res. No. 2018-6D-15 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Corporate Officer, dated June 13, 2018 regarding Elections and Other Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 504-1, 2018, be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-16 – Moved/Seconded

That Council proceed with adoption of Elections and Other Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 504-1, 2018.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-17 – Moved/Seconded

That Council Elections and Other Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 504-1, 2018 be adopted this 20th day of June, 2018..

CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. BUSINESS ITEMS

10.1 Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Report—2017

Res. No. 2018-6D-18 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Manager of Financial Services dated May 28, 2018 regarding the 2017 Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) report be received.

CARRIED

10.2 Statement of Financial Information reports

Res. No. 2018-6D-19 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Manager of Financial Services dated June 13, 2018 regarding the Statement of Financial Information reports be received.

CARRIED

Councillor Lutes returned to the meeting at 8:38 p.m.
Res. No. 2018-6D-20 – Moved/Seconded

That the Statement of Financial Information reports be received.

CARRIED

10.3 2017 Annual Report

Res. No. 2018-6D-21 – Moved/Seconded

That the report from the Communications Manager dated June 14th, 2018, with attached 2017 Annual Report be received.

CARRIED

11. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

11.1 Reports from Councillors

Councillor Wright noted his attendance at a closed Council meeting, the Finance, Culture and Economic Development Committee meeting, and a Davis Bay Community Association meeting. He also attended the annual Ocean's Day event and Public Hearings.

Councillor Siegers attended the Chamber of Commerce Wine and Taste event as well as the annual Ocean's Day event. She also attended the Sechelt Hospital AGM and a Sechelt Chamber session which focused on local online shopping. Councillor Siegers participated in a bike ride along the bike paths in East Porpoise Bay with District staff, where hazards and benefits were both identified. She also attended a Public Information session on marihuana, Public Hearings and a Canada Day planning meeting. Councillor Siegers urged members of the public to consider volunteering for this event, as there is still a significant need for help.

Councillor Muller mentioned that in addition to the meetings attended by other Councillors, he was pleased about the great success of the annual Ocean's Day event, which he played a large role in organizing. Councillor Muller was happy to see the involvement of other local governments at this event held in Friendship Park. He noted the importance of Council's involvement in community events, and encouraged other Councillors to get involved.

Councillor Lutes expressed disappointment in missing the Ocean's Day event due to a conflict with the CUPE Local 801 50th Anniversary. She attended Public Hearings,

Committee meetings and a Davis Bay Community Association meeting. She also attended a Labour Walk in Gibsons where she learned of more labour history she was unaware of.

Councillor Shanks attended a West Sechelt Community Association meeting, and experienced some difficulties with his ice business. He also reminded Council that he is involved in the coordination of the annual Coaster's Car Club car show. Councillor Shanks commented on a discussion held with the manager of the Bella Beach Motel, where the manager explained they are in the process of making some improvements to the building, and they hope to have the restaurant open next month. Councillor Shanks expressed his intentions to run for Council in the upcoming election.

Councillor Inkster was pleased to hear of Councillor Shanks' discussion with the Bella Beach Motel. He attended the CUPE Local 801 Anniversary and the annual Ocean's Day event. He also attended Public Hearings and the Elder College Appreciation event. Councillor Inkster shared that the next Ocean Protection meeting will be held on June 28th in the Community Meeting Room.

Mayor Milne commented on his trip to Vancouver Island, in particular, the Sidney area. He noted that the Sidney area has a lot of the elements he believes Sechelt is striving for, including high density in three storey buildings, town houses, and vibrant community. He noted their downtown Beacon Avenue, similar in size to Cowrie Street, has a multitude of restaurants, bookstores, coffee shops and two large grocery stores with remarkable walkability.

11.2 Reports from SCRD Board Council Representatives

The SCRD Board representative, Councillor Wright, noted that the ferry terminal walkway, variance development, zoning amendment, OCP amendments, referrals and minutes were discussed at the SCRD Planning and Development Committee meeting. He also attended the second CAO workshop, and the Agenda Planning Committee meeting for infrastructure.

Councillor Wright also attended a Board meeting which included recommendations from the Corporate and Administrative Services Committee, the Planning and Development Committee, a report on the adoption of election procedures and the adoption of water rates and regulations.

12. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING ITEMS

12.1 Release of Resolution from Closed Meeting

Res. No. 2018-6D-22 – Moved/Seconded

THAT the report from the Corporate Officer dated June 14, 2018 regarding release of resolutions from a June 13, 2018 Closed Council Meeting be received. Further, that the following resolutions be confirmed in open meeting:

- (1) That the resignations from the Sunshine Coast Community Forest Board submitted by Glen Bonderud, Fidel Fogarty and Tom Pinfeld, be received for information.
- (2) That Council, as sole shareholder, direct the Sunshine Coast Community Forest Board to provide the necessary funding for the Community Forest Community Engagement Plan.

CARRIED

12.2 Council Correspondence

Res. No. 2018-6D-23 – Moved/Seconded

That Council Correspondence included on the June 20th, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Agenda be received.

CARRIED

Res. No. 2018-6D-24 – Moved/Seconded

That the letter dated June 1, 2018 from M.P. Goldsmith Jones regarding Applications for Environmental Quality Program be referred to staff.

CARRIED

12.3 Sechelt Visitor Centre May 2018 Statistics

Res. No. 2018-6D-25 – Moved/Seconded

That the Sechelt Visitor Centre May 2018 Statistics be received for information.

CARRIED

13. MAYOR, COUNCIL AND STAFF EMERGENCY ITEMS

No emergency items were brought forward.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Res. No. 2018-6D-26 – Moved/Seconded

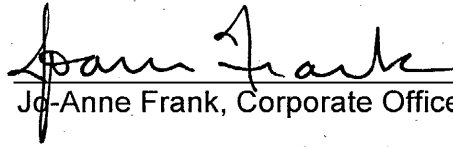
That the Regular Council meeting of June 20th, 2018, be adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:



Bruce Milne, Mayor



Jo-Anne Frank, Corporate Officer