

**TOWN OF COMOX**  
**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting,**  
**held in Council Chambers on Wednesday December 5, 2018**

**Present:** Mayor R. Arnott  
Councillors A. Bissinger, K. Grant, S. McGowan,  
P. McKenna, N. Minions, M. Swift

**Absent:** Nil

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Agenda was Adopted.

There was 1 visitor in attendance.

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**1. DELEGATIONS: NIL**

**2. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:**

**a. Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

**RCM Minutes**

*That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, held in Council Chambers on Wednesday November 21, 2018, be Approved.*

(2018.290) -- CARRIED

**b. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

**COW Minutes**

*That the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting, held in Council Chambers on Tuesday November 28, 2018, be Received.*

(2018.291) -- CARRIED

**3. COMMITTEE REPORTS: NIL**

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**a. Management Report - December 5, 2018**

**Management Report**

*That the Management Report for December 5, 2018 be received and filed for information.*

(2018.292) -- CARRIED

**b. Child Care Planning Committee**

**Child Care Planning  
Committee**

*That Council of the Town of Comox provide support, in principle, and agree to assist Comox Valley Early Years Collaborative Child Care Planning Committee with their application for funding to the Community Child Care Planning Program for the purpose of developing a child care needs study in Comox.*

(2018.293) -- CARRIED

**5. SPECIAL REPORTS: NIL**

**6. BYLAWS:**

**a. Bylaw No. 1904 - Comox Water Rates and Regulations Bylaw Amendment No. 25, 2018**

**Water Rate Increase**

*That Bylaw No. 1904 - Comox Water Rates and Regulations Bylaw Amendment No. 25, 2018 be Adopted.*

(2018.294) -- CARRIED

**b. Comox Council Remuneration Bylaw No. 1905, 2018**

**Council Remuneration**

*That Comox Council Remuneration Bylaw No. 1905, 2018 be Adopted.*

(2018.295) -- CARRIED

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. Comox Sewer User Rates for 2019**

**Sewer User Rates**

*That the Comox Sewer User Rates Bylaw Amendment No. 12, 2018 be given First, Second and Third Readings.*

(2018.296) -- CARRIED

**b. Notice of Motion (Councillor Swift) - Dog Park**

**Notice of Motion**

*That staff be directed to prepare a report outlining possible locations and costs for creating a dog park and/or a leash optional park.*

(2018.297) -- CARRIED

**AT THIS POINT IN THE MEETING COUNCILLOR ALEX BISSINGER LEFT COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA.**

**c. Development Variance Permit Application: DVP 18-7 (1999 Robb Avenue)**

**1999 Robb Avenue**

1. *That Schedule 1 to the December 5, 2018 Planning Report on DVP 18-7 be amended to replace Development Variance Permit Conditions 1 and 2a with the following text:*

(1) *Construction of a maximum of two accessory buildings within the front yard in accordance with the drawings in Attachment 2 to the December 5, 2018 Planning Report on DVP 18-7.*

(2) *This Development Variance Permit is to vary Comox Zoning Bylaw 1850:*

(a) *Section 101.9(1) - Front Setback*

*From: Front setback shall not be less than 7.5m*

*To: Front setback shall not be less than 7.5m for principal buildings.  
Front setback shall not be less than 1.2m for a maximum of two accessory buildings.*

(2018.298) -- CARRIED

2. *That Development Variance Permit DVP 18-7 be issued subject to the Development Variance Permit Conditions listed in Schedule 1 to the December 5, 2018 Planning Report on DVP 18-7, as amended.*

(2018.299) -- CARRIED

**AT THIS POINT IN THE MEETING, COUNCILLOR ALEX BISSINGER RETURNED TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS.**

**d. Comox Valley Water Committee - Assignment of Weighted Votes**

**CVRD Water Committee**

*That the distribution of weighted votes for the Town of Comox Directors on the Comox Valley Water Committee for 2018/2019 be as follows: Councillor Ken Grant - 2 votes, and Councillor Maureen Swift - 1 vote.*

(2018.300) -- CARRIED

**8. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**a. Mary Kleim (Ocean Pointe Strata VIS5411) Traffic issues on Balmoral Avenue**

**Balmoral Avenue Speeding**

*That the letter received November 20, 2018 from Mary Kleim of the Ocean Pointe Strata VIS5411, regarding traffic issues on Balmoral Avenue, be received and referred to staff for followup.*

(2018.301) -- CARRIED

**b. Peter Brice - Support for DVP 18-7 (1999 Robb Avenue)**

**1999 Robb Avenue**

*That the November 28, 2018 email from Peter Brice of 418 Anderton Road, regarding Development Variance Permit application DVP 18-7, be received and filed for information.*

(2018.302) -- CARRIED

**c. Various correspondence regarding an off-leash dog park**

**Off-Leash Dog Park**

*That the following items of correspondence be received and filed for information:*

- November 21, 2018 email from Trish Fennell, inquiring about a dog park and asking that historic homes not be demolished;
- November 28, 2018 letter from Rosemary Lyle, proposing that the northeast corner of the Woods be an off-leash dog area;
- November 28, 2018 letter from Michael Barner, suggesting that certain times be designated as off-leash times in the North Woods;
- November 29, 2018 email from Marlene Zacharias, requesting that the North East Woods be designated as an off-leash optional place for dogs; and
- November 30, 2018 email from Maggie Stephenson, requesting that the North Woods be designated as an off-leash area.

(2018.303) -- CARRIED

**h. Cheeying Ho (Centre for Sustainability Whistler): Affordable housing workshop**

**Affordable Housing Workshop**

*That the November 25, 2018 email from Cheeying Ho of the Whistler Centre for Housing Sustainability, inquiring whether the Town would be interested in hosting an affordable housing workshop, be received and forwarded to staff for followup.*

(2018.304) -- CARRIED

**i. Barbara and Bruce Martin - Pleased with the new Council**

**New Council**

*That the November 22, 2018 email from Barbara and Bruce Martin, expressing their pleasure with the lively exchanges and interactions between the new Council and staff, be received and filed for information.*

(2018.305) -- CARRIED

**j. David Eby and Mike Farnworth (Office of the Attorney General) Non Medical-Cannabis**

**Non-Medical Cannabis**

*That the November 22, 2018 letter from Dave Eby, Attorney General, and Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, outlining local government's role in licensing cannabis retail stores, be received and filed for information.*

(2018.306) -- CARRIED

**k. Liz Cookson (Union of BC Municipalities) 2019 Call for Resolutions**

**UBCM Resolutions**

*That the November 16, 2018 email from Liz Cookson, forwarding the Resolutions Process and the Executive Committee nomination process for the 2019 Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities' Conference, be received and filed for information.*

(2018.307) -- CARRIED

**l. John Horgan (Office of the Premier): Congratulations**

**Congratulations**

*That the November 13, 2018 letter from Premier John Horgan, congratulating Council on being elected, be received and filed for information.*

(2018.308) -- CARRIED

**9. LATE ITEMS: NIL**

**10. DELEGATIONS: NIL**

**11. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:**

**a. Councillor Grant**

Councillor Grant advised that he attended:

- the tree lighting ceremony;
- the regional district sewer commission, water committee, committee of the whole, in-camera and sports commission meetings; and
- the grant funding announcement for the water treatment project.

**b. Councillor Bissinger**

Councillor Bissinger advised that she attended:

- the Comox-Strathcona waste management board meeting, and advised that she was nominated to two committees;
- the Council orientation session; and
- the regional district orientation session.

**c. Councillor Minions**

Councillor Minions advised that she attended:

- the tree lighting ceremony,
- the Comox-Strathcona waste management board meeting, and
- the regional district orientation session.

**d. Councillor McGowan**

Councillor McGowan advised that she attended:

- the tree lighting ceremony,
- the grant funding announcement for the water treatment project,
- the Shakesides tour,
- a BC Healthy Communities forum,
- a Coalition to End Homelessness board meeting, and
- the regional district orientation session.

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**e. Councillor Swift**

Councillor Swift advised that she attended:

- a Filberg Heritage Lodge and Park Association board strategic planning session,
- a watershed advisory board meeting,
- the regional district orientation session,
- the sewage treatment plant open house,
- the Shakesides tour,
- the tree lighting ceremony, and
- the regional district sewer commission, water committee, sports commission and committee of the whole meetings.

**f. Councillor McKenna**

Councillor McKenna advised that he attended:

- the regional district orientation session,
- the tree lighting ceremony,
- the Homelessness Coalition meeting,
- the Cumberland truck parade,
- a tour of the Ilo Ilo building in Cumberland, and
- the Community Justice Centre AGM.

**g. Mayor Arnott**

Mayor Arnott advised that he attended:

- the Shakesides tour,
- an Island Coastal Economic Trust board meeting,
- the tree lighting ceremony,
- the Courtenay Christmas parade with Councillor Bissinger,
- an Ecole Robb Road school urban planning class,
- the regional district sewer commission meeting,
- the grant funding announcement for the water treatment project, and
- the regional district orientation session.

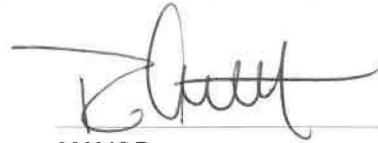
**14. EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC: NIL**

**Adjournment:**

Regularly moved and seconded that Council Rise and the meeting adjourn at 6:27 P.M.

*CARRIED*

Certified correct pursuant to Section 97(1)(b) of the Community Charter.



MAYOR



DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER