

**TOWN OF COMOX**  
**Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting,**  
**held in Council Chambers on Wednesday March 13, 2019**

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

**Absent:** R. Arnott

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m.

The Agenda was Adopted.

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**1. DELEGATIONS:**

**a. Rachel Blaney (Member of Parliament for North Island-Powell River) Introduction to New Town Council**

Ms. Blaney introduced herself and advised that she was available to answer any questions of Council.

**b. Audrey Craig & Tom Blackburn (Filberg Heritage Lodge & Park Association) Plans for the Future**

Ms. Craig and Mr. Blackburn advised that the Association has a new board with a redesigned mission and vision. They highlighted some of the park buildings and functions, discussed their budget and some of the upcoming projects, and advised of their open house in June.

**2. Minutes of Meetings: NIL**

**3. Department Reports: NIL**

**4. Staff Reports:**

**a. 2019-2023 Preliminary Financial Plan**

Mr. Freundlich, Director of Finance, introduced the first draft of the Financial Plan. He advised that he started with the general property tax increase of 2.11%, as identified for year 2 in the 2018 Financial Plan. He advised that there are three themes that he built into the budget this year: operational capacity, infrastructure projects and Council initiatives.

The March 8, 2019 report from the Director of Finance, titled "2019 Preliminary Financial Plan" was received for information.

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**5. Correspondence:**

- a. **Jake Martens (CVRD) Comox Valley Community Justice Contribution Extended Service Bylaw No. 2262, 2000, Amendment No. 2**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Town of Comox consent to the adoption of Comox Valley Regional District Bylaw No. 576 being "Comox Valley Community Justice Contribution Extended Service Bylaw No. 2262, 2000, Amendment No. 2.

CARRIED

- b. **Liz Condon (District of Highlands) Municipal Survivor Climate Challenge**

The March 5, 2019 email from Liz Condon of the District of Highlands, regarding their Municipal Survivor Climate Challenge, was received and filed for information.

- c. **Martin von Holst (RCMP) RCMP Appreciation Day in BC**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

That the February 28, 2019 letter from Martin von Holst, Chair of the RCMP Day - Vernon Committee, asking for a letter of support in acknowledging February 1 of each year as Royal Canadian Mounted Police Day to honour and recognize members for their dedication and service, be received and a letter of support provided.

CARRIED

- d. **Emma and Maeve (Brooklyn Elementary School) Increase the Amount of Sidewalks in the Comox Valley**

The February 6, 2019 Sidewalk Proposal from Maeve Traux and Emma Hrysio, to increase the amount of sidewalks on busy streets in the Comox Valley, was received and filed for information.

**6. Exclude the Public: NIL**

**Adjournment:**

Regularly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 4:53 p.m.

CARRIED

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

CHAIR

