

TOWN OF COMOX
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting,
held in Council Chambers on Wednesday September 18, 2019

Present: Mayor R. Arnott
Councillors A. Bissinger, K. Grant, S. McGowan,
P. McKenna, N. Minions, M. Swift
Staff S. Russwurm, Deputy Corporate Administrator
C. Freundlich, Director of Finance
M. Kamenz, Municipal Engineer

Absent: Nil

Call to Order:

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

The Agenda was Adopted.

There were 0 visitors in attendance.

1. DELEGATIONS: NIL

2. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

a. Regular Council Meeting Minutes

RCM Meeting

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, held in Council Chambers on Wednesday September 4, 2019, be Approved.

(2019.273) -- CARRIED

b. Special Council Meeting Minutes

Special Council Meeting

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council, held in Council Chambers on Thursday September 5, 2019, be Approved.

(2019.274) -- CARRIED

c. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

COW Meeting

That the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting, held in Council Chambers on Wednesday September 11, 2019, be Received.

(2019.275) -- CARRIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (1) Comox Valley Sports Centre Commission - Low Income Regional Recreation All Access Pass Program

All Access Pass

1. *That participation with the Comox Valley Regional District and other local municipalities, in developing a Low Income Regional Recreation All Access Pass Program, be referred to staff for a report.*

That the main motion be amended to read "That staff participate with the Comox Valley Regional District and other local municipalities in developing a Low Income Regional Recreation All Access Pass Program.

(2019.276) -- DEFEATED

[Opposed: Mayor Arnott, Councillors ABissinger KGrant NMinions MSwift]

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (1) Comox Valley Sports Centre Commission - Low Income Regional Recreation All Access Pass Program

All Access Pass

2. *That participation with the Comox Valley Regional District and other local municipalities, in developing a Low Income Regional Recreation All Access Pass Program, be referred to staff for a report.*

That the main motion be amended to add the text, "That the report include a discussion on how the All Access Pass Program would potentially affect the capacity of the Comox Community Centre."

(2019.277) -- CARRIED

That the main motion be amended to add the text, "That staff report back on the progress of the report within 30 days."

(2019.278) -- CARRIED

Main motion as amended:

3. *That participation with the Comox Valley Regional District and other local municipalities, in developing a Low Income Regional Recreation All Access Pass Program, be referred to staff for a report;*

That the report include a discussion on how the All Access Pass Program would potentially affect the capacity of the Comox Community Centre; and further,

That staff report back on the progress of the report within 30 days.

(2019.279) -- CARRIED

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS: NIL

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. Management Report - September 18, 2019

Management Report

That the Management Report for September 18, 2019 be received and filed for information.

(2019.280) -- CARRIED

5. SPECIAL REPORTS: NIL

6. BYLAWS: NIL

7. NEW BUSINESS AND NOTICES OF MOTION:

- a. Street Closure - Highridge Drive Block Party

Highridge Drive Block Party

That the Town of Comox - Road Permit Application received September 9, 2019 from Paula Ives be received; and further,

That the request to close the cul-de-sac portion of Highridge Drive between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on Saturday September 21, 2019 be approved, subject to all emergency service providers being notified and the applicant meeting all other conditions of the Town of Comox Road Permit.

(2019.281) -- CARRIED

b. Notice of Motion (Councillor Minions): Town Hall Meeting - Climate Crisis and Adaptation

Notice of Motion

Councillor Minions provided a notice of motion, "That a Town Hall meeting be held at the Comox Community Centre on the topic of Climate Crisis and Adaptation during one of Council's Committee of the Whole meetings in October, 2019".

8. CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Robert James (Point Holmes Recreation Association) Pavilion Celebration

Point Holmes Pavilion

That the September 11, 2019 email, inviting Council to a BBQ to celebrate the construction of the Point Holmes Pavilion, be received and filed for information.

(2019.282) -- CARRIED

9. LATE ITEMS: NIL

10. DELEGATIONS: NIL

11. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

a. Councillor Bissinger

Councillor Bissinger advised that she attended the solid waste management board meeting, and the hospital board meeting. Councillor Bissinger also advised that she is trying to organize a site tour of the fixed wing search and rescue station.

b. Councillor Grant

Councillor Grant advised that he attended the Regional District sewer, water, board and committee of the whole meeting.

c. Councillor Minions

Councillor Minions advised that she:

- attended the Mayor's golf tournament,
- emceed the 6th annual Petit Fondo event,
- attended a BC Cooperative Housing Federation meeting, and
- attended the solid waste management board meeting.

d. Councillor McGowan

Councillor McGowan advised that she attended:

- the Parkinson's SuperWalk,
- a mental health and addictions education announcement,
- a seniors' advocacy forum, and
- a d'Esterre Seniors' board meeting.

Councillor McGowan also advised that she participated in the Variety Children's Charity Radiothon.

e. Councillor Swift

Councillor Swift advised that she attended the Regional District sewer, water and committee of the whole meetings, as well as a Filberg board meeting.

f. Councillor McKenna

Councillor McKenna advised that he:

- participated in the Variety Children's Charity Radiothon,
- attended a Coalition to End Homelessness meeting,
- played in the Mayor's golf tournament,
- attended a seniors' housing discussion, and
- the BC Cooperative Housing Federation meeting.

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g. Mayor Arnott

Mayor Arnott advised that he attended:

- the Mayor's golf tournament,
- Dave McLeod's celebration of life,
- the Regional District sewage commission meeting, and
- the BC Cooperative Housing Federation meeting.

14. EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC:

a. Exclude the Public

Exclude the Public

That the Public be Excluded from the In-Camera Meeting of Council on Wednesday September 18, 2019, pursuant to the following sub-sections of the Community Charter:

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; and

90(1)(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

(2019.283) -- CARRIED

THE MEETING WAS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AT 6:10 P.M.

THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:25 P.M.

Adjournment:

Regularly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 7:25 p.m.

CARRIED

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

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

Deputy