



TOWN OF SIDNEY

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, May 13, 2019

Council Chambers

7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor C. McNeil-Smith
Councillors: S. Duncan, B. Fallot, S. Garnett, T. O’Keeffe, C. Rintoul and P. Wainwright

Staff: R. Humble, Chief Administrative Officer
A. Hicik, Director of Corporate Services
B. Mikkelsen, Fire Chief
C. Newcomb, Senior Manager of Long Range Planning
B. DeMaere, Manager of Engineering
T. Restell, Manager of Finance
S. Nelson, Corporate Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER / PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD (maximum 20 minutes) / INTRODUCTIONS / PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

1. **D. Gelinis, 2545 Oakville Avenue** – stated was pleased that the CRD will be implementing a new policy to improve openness and transparency with citizens across the region; and regarding item 13c, urged Council to take a step back and determine whether there really is a need for a Regional Foodland Access Program.
2. **J. Blair, 2312 Henry Avenue** – expressed appreciation to Council for efforts made to mitigate the effects and problems suffered by tenants when they lose their homes to development; thanked Town staff, Mr. Corey Newcomb, for the well-written report; and noted that the Province will have a second phase of reforms for compensation and relocation guidelines for tenants who’s buildings are being demolished.
3. **W. Wolfe, 2093 Wood Violet Lane (North Saanich)** – regarding item 13d, expressed support for the proposal from Eaglehurst Homes for a link between the southern and northern parts of Reay Creek Park, as it would offer access to existing trails, reduce the need for pedestrians to access Canora Road, which can be dangerous, and provide access to Greenglade, Weiler Avenue, and the overpass – a “win-win” situation for residents in both communities.

Public Participation Period closed at 7:09 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2019.23.241 Moved by Councillor S. Garnett, seconded by Councillor C. Rintoul, that the agenda be approved with the addition of item 17a – Notice of Motion from Councillor B. Fallot.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Regular Council Meeting – April 23, 2019

2019.23.242 Moved by Councillor C. Rintoul, seconded by Councillor T. O’Keeffe, that Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 23, 2019, be adopted as revised.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Special Council Meeting – April 30, 2019

2019.23.243 Moved by Councillor C. Rintoul, seconded by Councillor P. Wainwright, that Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of April 30, 2019, be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. BUSINESS NOT COMPLETED AT A PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES *(for information only)*

6. DELEGATIONS

7. PETITIONS

8. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following: 1. CRD Board – at next month's CRD Board meeting there will be a dashboard to rise and report on items from In-Camera and that monthly reports will be provided summarizing items discussed at the Board; 2. Healthcare Forum – was held on May 4 (hosted by Saanich, Central Saanich, Sidney and North Saanich and the Saanich Peninsula Hospital & Healthcare Foundation) to bring the community together for a discussion on healthcare in the region, it was well-attended with over 300 people and numerous presenters; 3. Aranza Building - members of Council received a tour on May 9 of the new rental housing facility (58 units, 29 below market, and a 7,500 sq.ft. daycare facility with an additional 4,000 sq.ft. outdoor area), noting first tenants arriving on June 1; 4. South Island Prosperity Project Luncheon – will be attending on May 13 where winners of the Smart Cities Challenge (and \$10 million grant funding from Infrastructure Canada) will be announced; 5. Downtown Employee Parking lot – provides 167 new vehicle parking spaces and the opening ceremony will be held on May 17 at 9:00am; 6. Community Safety Building – the Fire Department will begin responding to emergency calls later this week (BC Ambulance by end of June) and the official ribbon cutting ceremony will be held on July 1; and 7. Library – renovations are complete and a soft opening will be held on May 21.

9. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

a. Councillor S. Garnett – advised that the Sidney Museum & Archives were successful in receiving a \$14,300 grant from Heritage Canada for the Chief Dan George exhibit and encouraged citizens to obtain the official program for the exhibit and to attend the opening ceremonies on June 21, at 10:00am.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Committee of the Whole – May 6, 2019

2019.23.244 Moved by Councillor C. Rintoul, seconded by Councillor B. Fallot, that the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 6, 2019, be received.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes contain recommendation(s) regarding:

R.1 Select Committee to Review the EDC

2019.23.245 Moved by Councillor C. Rintoul, seconded by Councillor T. O'Keeffe, that Council schedule an afternoon meeting to continue discussion regarding terms of reference for an Economic Development Committee.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019.23.246 Moved by Councillor C. Rintoul, seconded by Councillor P. Wainwright, that the remaining members of Council be appointed to the Select Committee to Review the EDC for the next meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R.2 Displacement of Tenants

- 2019.23.247 Moved by Councillor C. Rintoul, seconded by Councillor S. Garnett:
1. That staff bring forward a Tenant Assistance Policy for Council consideration;
 2. That when purpose-built rental buildings are redeveloped in the future, staff continue to raise the issue of tenant displacement with the property owner/developer and advocate on the tenants' behalf; and
 3. That the issue of tenant displacement be included in the discussion of housing policy as part of the development of the new Official Community Plan.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. STAFF REPORTS

a. Sidney Housing Needs Assessment Project

- 2019.23.248 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor B. Fallot:
1. That Council support the preparation of a Housing Needs Assessment for the Town of Sidney in preparation for a comprehensive review of the Town's Official Community Plan; and
 2. That staff provide overall project management for the project and report back to Council in accordance with the *Local Government Act* requirements following completion of the final report.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. 2018 Financial Statements

- 2019.23.249 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor S. Garnett, that the Town's Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2018 be accepted.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. MOU - Twinning of BC Hydro EV Station (Town Parking Lot E - Bevan Avenue)

- 2019.23.250 Moved by Councillor S. Garnett, seconded by Councillor P. Wainwright, that the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and BC Hydro, to add a second Electric Vehicle Direct Current Fast Charging (DCFC) station in the Town's Parking Lot E (2330 Bevan Avenue) be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. OTHER REPORTS

13. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Funding for Victoria Sexual Assault Centre

- 2019.23.251 Moved by Councillor B. Fallot, seconded by Councillor T. O'Keeffe, that the letter from District of Saanich, dated April 23, 2019, be received and that the Mayor write, on behalf of Council, to the Premier of BC requesting continuous provincial funding to the Victoria Sexual Assault Centre.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Plaque for Community Safety Building

- 2019.23.252 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor S. Garnett, that the letter from S. Price, dated April 23, 2019, and email from Mayor C. McNeil-Smith dated April 17, 2019, regarding the plaque for the Community Safety Building, be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. Regional Foodland Access Program

2019.23.253 Moved by Councillor B. Fallot, seconded by Councillor S. Garnett, that the letter from CRD, dated April 24, 2019, regarding a Regional Foodland Access Program, be referred to staff for a report.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

d. Pedestrian Pathway Connection via Reay Creek & Peter Grant Parks

2019.23.254 Moved by Councillor B. Fallot, seconded by Councillor C. Rintoul, that the letter from Eaglehurst Developments, dated April 27, 2019 and the email from W. Wolfe, dated May 2, 2019, be received and that the request for a pedestrian pathway connection via Reay Creek & Peter Grant Parks be referred to staff for a report.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

e. Climate Action – Expansion of Public Transit Ridership

2019.23.255 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor S. Duncan, that the letter from City of Victoria, dated April 29, 2019, regarding a proposal for the expansion of public transit ridership through phasing out user fees, be received and that a letter be sent to the City indicating that the Town does not support the proposal.

**OPPOSED: Mayor C. McNeil-Smith
MOTION CARRIED 6:1**

f. Request for Additional Bicycle Racks

2019.23.256 Moved by Councillor T. O'Keeffe, seconded by Councillor S. Duncan, that the emails from P. James, dated April 16 & May 4, 2019, and email from A. Lewis, dated May 3, 2019, be received and that staff prepare a report on adding additional bicycle racks throughout the Town.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. BYLAWS / DEVELOPMENT PERMITS / VARIANCES / SUBDIVISION

a. Bylaw No. 2164 – Miscellaneous Fees & Charges, Amendment No. 17

2019.23.257 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor B. Fallot, that Bylaw No. 2164 – Miscellaneous Fees & Charges, Amendment No. 17, be introduced and given first reading.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019.23.258 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor B. Fallot, that Bylaw No. 2164 – Miscellaneous Fees & Charges, Amendment No. 17, be given second reading.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019.23.259 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor B. Fallot, that Bylaw No. 2164 – Miscellaneous Fees & Charges, Amendment No. 17, be given third reading.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Bylaw No. 2173 – Tax Rate 2019

2019.23.260 Moved by Councillor B. Fallot, seconded by Councillor T. O'Keeffe, that Bylaw No. 2173 – Tax Rate 2019 be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. NEW BUSINESS

16. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

- 2019.23.261 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor S. Garnett, that he following correspondence be received for information:
1. Letters from various organizations, expressing appreciation for receipt of the Town's 2019 grant-in-aid funding.
 2. Email from R. Painter, advising of the 2nd Annual Walk/Run for Mental Health on May 12, dated April 11, 2019.
 3. Letter from Victoria Foundation, regarding their findings of this year's Victoria's Vital Signs report, dated April 12, 2019.
 4. Letter from UBCM, regarding 2018 funding for Emergency Operations Centres and Emergency Management Training, dated April 16, 2019.
 5. Email from City of Abbotsford, regarding gang violence and resolution for criminal justice reform in BC, dated April 18, 2019.
 6. Email from C. Froom, regarding accessible parking standards and the Town's new employee parking lot, dated April 8, 2019. Reply dated April 18, 2019.
 7. Email from Recreation Integration Victoria, regarding municipal withdrawal, dated April 15, 2019. Email from Panorama Recreation, dated April 18, 2019.
 8. Letter from City of Victoria, regarding the climate emergency declaration and their request to the Federal Minister to provide municipalities with the powers and resources to make our 2030 targets possible, dated April 24, 2019.
 9. Letter from City of Burnaby, regarding expanding investment opportunities, dated May 2, 2019.
 10. Correspondence from J. Austin, regarding a CRD Regional Foodland Access Program, dated May 2 & 5, 2019.
 11. Email from Capital Region Food & Agriculture Roundtable, regarding a CRD Regional Foodland Access Program, dated May 7, 2019.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17. NOTICES OF MOTION

a. Victoria Family Court & Youth Justice Committee

Councillor B. Fallot gave notice of the following motion to be considered at the next regular Council meeting:

"WHEREAS Councillor Heather Gartshore from the District of North Saanich and I have become increasingly concerned about a number of issues related to the Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee, including whether or not the Committee is in fact meeting its own mandate, how effective it is in doing so, whether or not it continues to be relevant, and the appropriateness of this being a Committee of the Capital Regional District Board,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Mayor Cliff McNeill-Smith to work with Mayor Geoff Orr of the District of North Saanich to seek the CRD Board's endorsement of a review of the Victoria Family Court and Youth Justice Committee as soon as possible."

18. MOTION TO GO "IN-CAMERA" (CLOSED MEETING) – not required

19. ADJOURNMENT

- 2019.23.262 Moved by Councillor S. Garnett, seconded by Councillor C. Rintoul, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY