

Municipality of North Cowichan Regular Council MINUTES

March 7, 2018, 1:30 p.m.
Municipal Hall - Council Chambers

Members Present Mayor Jon Lefebure
 Councillor Joyce Behnsen
 Councillor Rob Douglas
 Councillor Maeve Maguire
 Councillor Kate Marsh
 Councillor Al Siebring
 Councillor Tom Walker

Staff Present Ted Swabey, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
 Mark Ruttan, Director of Corporate Services / Deputy CAO
 Scott Mack, Director of Development Services
 Mark Frame, Director of Financial Services
 David Conway, Director of Engineering and Operations
 Ernie Mansueti, Director of Parks, Forestry and Recreation

1. CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum present, Mayor Lefebure called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded:

That Council approve the agenda as amended to add 2.4 (Closed) personnel matter.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded:

That Council adopt the February 19, 2018 Special and February 21, 2018 Regular Council meeting minutes.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC INPUT

Council received brief public input regarding agenda items from registered speakers.

5. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Board of Education's Strategic Plan

Candice Spilsbury, School District 79 Board Chair, addressed Council on behalf of the School Board to introduce the Board's Strategic Plan. The School District's vision is "education excellence for everyone, everywhere, every time"; its mission is "empowering tomorrow's learners, today"; and its values are fairness, respect, inclusion, integrity, compassion, collaboration, innovation and curiosity. She also highlighted the School District's priorities, initiatives and indicators of success, urged Council to consider the impact of growth on schools, and thanked Council for its ongoing support for a new high school.

6. BYLAWS

6.1 Bylaw 3691 - "Kingsview Phased Development Agreement Authorization Bylaw"

Council moved into committee of the whole at 2:03 p.m. and following its discussion, Council rose and reported at 2:40 p.m. as follows:

It was moved and seconded:

That Council revise the draft "Kingsview Phased Development Agreement Authorization Bylaw", No. 3691, to do the following:

1. Repeal the second bullet on page 3 and substitute it with "Storm and rain water flow off the site which is related to the work performed by the Developer will be monitored, during and subsequent to construction, and will not be allowed to exceed the determined pre-development nutrient level baseline, provided that such excess is not caused for reasons or events beyond the reasonable control of the Developer";
2. Strikeout section 1 of Schedule E and substitute it with the following:
 1. A list and discussion on the goals that are to be achieved by the SWMP, including:
 - (a) Limit flows from the site to pre-development rates,
 - (b) Limit nutrient levels of flows from the site to pre-development rates,
 - (c) Maintain existing downstream drainage flow patterns,
 - (d) Monitor and control sediments and pollutants from entering downstream systems,
 - (e) Wherever practical, maximize runoff infiltration to recharge groundwater;
 2. Insert as section 2 on page 2 of Schedule E the following: "2) Meet with the Municipality of North Cowichan to discuss development of a long term program of monitoring and controlling nutrient flow from the site"; and
 3. Renumber succeeding sections.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded:

That Council read a first and second time, as amended, "Kingsview Phased Development Agreement Authorization Bylaw", No. 3691.

CARRIED

6.2 Bylaw 3695 - "South End Sewer Local Area Service Enlargement Bylaw, 2018"

Councillor Maguire left the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

It was moved and seconded:

That Council adopt "South End Sewer Local Area Service Enlargement Bylaw, 2018", No. 3695.

CARRIED

7. REPORTS

7.1 Procurement Policy

Councillor Maguire returned to the meeting at 2:45 p.m. Councillor Siebring left the meeting at 2:46 p.m. and returned at 2:51 p.m.

It was moved and seconded:

That Council endorse the revised procurement policy.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Coast Composting Facility

Council discussed the Minister of Environment's February 19, 2018 email regarding Coast Environmental Ltd.'s composting facility in Chemainus.

Councillor Douglas left the meeting at 3:09 p.m. and returned at 3:12 p.m.

9. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

9.1 Distribution of Property Taxes

It was moved and seconded:

That Council direct staff to provide a report on the distribution of property taxes among assessment classifications that

1. explores the implications of possibly lowering the 2018 (Residential) property tax rate,
2. provides options for reducing the Class 1 (Residential) rate by .5% and Class 5 (Light Industry) by 1.0%, and
3. provides a summary of the distribution of property taxes since 2008 (including annual increases by property class).

CARRIED

10. NEW BUSINESS

None.

11. QUESTION PERIOD

Council received no questions from the public regarding business considered at this meeting.

12. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved and seconded:

That Council close the meeting to the public on the basis of the following subsections of section 90 of the *Community Charter*:

1. subsection (1) (a) [*personal information about a municipal appointee*];
2. subsection (1) (e) [*property acquisition*];
3. subsection (1) (g) [*litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality*]; and
4. subsection (1) (i) [*receipt of legal advice*]. (3:30 p.m.)

CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

Council rose without reporting and ended the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Signed by Mayor

Certified by Corporate Officer