

## REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD

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Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Strathcona Regional District held on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at the Strathcona Regional District offices located at 990 Cedar Street, Campbell River, B.C.

A quorum having been confirmed, the Chair called the meeting to order at 9:47 a.m. with the following members in attendance:

<b>Chair:</b>	M. Babchuk	City of Campbell River
<b>Directors:</b>	J. Abram	Discovery Islands-Mainland Inlets (Electoral Area C)
	N. Anderson	Cortes Island (Electoral Area B)
	J. Colborne	Village of Zeballos
	C. Cornfield	City of Campbell River
	M. Davis	Village of Tahsis
	R. Kerr	City of Campbell River
	J. MacDonald	Village of Sayward
	B. Unger	Village of Gold River
	G. Whalley	Kyuquot/Nootka-Sayward (Electoral Area A)
<b>Alt. Director:</b>	C. Evans	City of Campbell River
	for C. Moglove	

## **ADOPTION OF PUBLIC AGENDA**

Unger/MacDonald: SRD 924/19

THAT the agenda for October 24, 2019 regular meeting of the Board be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Unger/Colborne: SRD 925/19

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Regional Board held on October 9, 2019 be adopted. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

### **Curtis Wilson (Mulidzas)**

The Chair informed the Board of the passing of Mulidzas - Curtis Wilson, First Nation band councillor and advocate for education, reconciliation and togetherness. The service is scheduled to be held on October 29, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

### **Connected Coast Funding Agreement**

The Chair advised that staff has the Federal funding agreement ready for signature today.

## **Resignation of Senior Manager Strategic Initiatives**

The Chair advised the Board of the recent resignation of Victoria Smith, Senior Manager Strategic Initiatives.

## **Alternate Director - Electoral Area B (Cortes Island)**

The Chair welcomed and introduced Corry Dow, recently appointed Alternate Director for Electoral Area B (Cortes Island).

## **Municipal Insurance Association**

The Chair advised that Director Cornfield would provide the Municipal Insurance Association Annual Report to staff. [[Item](#)]

Abram/Evans: SRD 926/19

THAT the Chair's report be received.

CARRIED

## **COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS**

### **Electoral Areas Services Committee**

Whalley/Abram: SRD 927/19

THAT the draft minutes of the regular meeting of the Electoral Areas Services Committee held on October 9, 2019 be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

### **Strathcona Gardens Commission**

Evans/Kerr: SRD 928/19

THAT the draft minutes of the regular meeting of the Strathcona Gardens Commission held on October 9, 2019 be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **Request for Financial Assistance - Climate Hope Society**

Anderson/Colborne: SRD 929/19

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

Anderson/Colborne: SRD 930/19

THAT the Board approve a grant in aid for the Climate Hope Society, Cortes Chapter in the amount of \$7,000 to assist with costs for various climate change initiatives for Cortes Island to be paid from the Electoral Area B grant in aid budget.

Director Leigh entered the meeting chambers.

A vote was held on the motion and it was ...

CARRIED

*Directors  
Cornfield and  
Leigh opposed*

## **BYLAWS**

### **Bylaw No. 370 - Permissive Tax Exemption (Royal Canadian Legion -**

**Quadra Branch)**

Abram/Cornfield: SRD 931/19

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received. [[Item](#)]  
CARRIED

Abram/Unger: SRD 932/19

THAT Bylaw No. 370, being a bylaw to provide an exemption from taxation for specified real property located on Quadra Island, be now introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED

Abram/Unger: SRD 933/19

THAT the rules be suspended and Bylaw No. 370 be given second and third readings.

CARRIED

Abram/Cornfield: SRD 934/19

THAT Bylaw No. 370, being Royal Canadian Legion Property Tax Exemption Bylaw 2020, be reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.

CARRIED

**Bylaw No. 371 - Riparian Tax Exemption 2020 (241 Irene Rd., Quadra Island)**

Unger/Cornfield: SRD 935/19

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received. [[Item](#)]  
CARRIED

Abram/Cornfield: SRD 936/19

THAT Bylaw No. 371, being a bylaw to provide an exemption from taxation for specified riparian property located on Quadra Island, be now introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED

Abram/Cornfield: SRD 937/19

THAT the rules be suspended and Bylaw No. 371 be given second and third readings.

CARRIED

Abram/Unger: SRD 938/19

THAT Bylaw No. 371, being McCarter-Martin Riparian Property Exemption Bylaw 2020, be reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.

CARRIED

**Bylaw No. 372 - Riparian Tax Exemption 2020 (Irene Rd., Quadra Island)**

Abram/Cornfield: SRD 939/19

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received. [[Item](#)]  
CARRIED

Abram/Cornfield: SRD 940/19

THAT Bylaw No. 372, being a bylaw to provide an exemption from taxation for specified riparian property located on Quadra Island, be now introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED

Abram/Whalley: SRD 941/19

THAT the rules be suspended and Bylaw No. 372 be given second and third readings.

CARRIED

Abram/Cornfield: SRD 942/19

THAT Bylaw No. 372, being Wallin-Reusse Riparian Property Exemption Bylaw 2020, be reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.

CARRIED

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Leigh/Colborne: SRD 943/19

THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received. [[Item](#)]

Director Whalley left the meeting chambers.

A vote was held on the motion and it was ....

CARRIED

Leigh/Abram: SRD 944/19

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to consider matters deemed to fall within the parameters of subsections 90(1)(f), (i), (n), (o) and 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

Director Whalley returned to the meeting chambers.

## **RECONVENE**

The Board reconvened in public at 12:25 p.m.

## **RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

While in closed session the Board released the following to the public:

### **Censure Hearing - Release of Confidential Information**

Abram/Unger: SRD 951/19

THAT the Board disapproves of Director Anderson's conduct in revealing confidential and privileged information, specifically the February 18, 2019 report by Creative Solutions Risk Management Consulting and the February 19, 2019 and March 14, 2019 legal opinions prepared for the Regional District by Kathryn Stuart of Stuart, McDannold and Stewart, contrary to the Community Charter and the Director Code of Conduct Bylaw 2018; and

THAT Director Anderson be directed to comply with s.117 of the Community Charter and the Director Code of Conduct Bylaw 2018 in the future; and

THAT, for the remainder of her current term of office, Director Anderson be excluded from being appointed to any select committees established by the Board or any public hearing delegations established by the Board except for public hearing delegations established to consider matters affecting Electoral Area B; and

THAT, for the remainder of her current term of office, Director Anderson be excluded from being designated, nominated or appointed by the Regional Board to any external organization or agency to represent the interests of the Regional

District; and

THAT Director Anderson be required to issue a written apology to the Board acknowledging her transgressions against the Community Charter and the Director Code of Conduct Bylaw 2018 with respect to maintaining confidentiality; and

THAT Director Anderson be required to take additional training for elected officials regarding the rules of confidentiality associated with her position as a Director of the Regional District.

CARRIED

**TERMINATION**

Whalley/Colborne: SRD 959/19

THAT the October 24, 2019 regular meeting of the Regional Board be terminated.

CARRIED

Time: 12:25 p.m.

Certified Correct:

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Chair

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Corporate Officer