

## REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Strathcona Regional District held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at the Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nation Band Office located in Kyuquot, B.C.

A quorum having been confirmed, the Chair called the meeting to order at 10:42 a.m. with the following members in attendance:

<b>Chair:</b>	M. Baker	Village of Sayward
<b>Directors:</b>	D. Chapman	City of Campbell River
	J. Colborne	Village of Zeballos
	M. Davis	Village of Tahsis
	R. Mawhinney	Discovery Islands-Mainland Inlets (Electoral Area C)
	J. Rice	Oyster Bay-Buttle Lake (Electoral Area D)
	M. Vonesch	Cortes Island (Electoral Area B)
	G. Whalley	Kyuquot/Nootka-Sayward (Electoral Area A)

## **FIRST NATIONS TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair acknowledged that we are meeting on the treaty lands of the Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/ Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nations.

## **ADOPTION OF PUBLIC AGENDA**

Colborne/Whalley: SRD 832/23

THAT the agenda for October 11, 2023 regular meeting of the Board be adopted as presented.

Director Vonesch requested that an item of New Business entitled "Quadra and Cortes Transit" be added to the agenda.

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

CARRIED

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Colborne/Whalley: SRD 833/23

THAT the following regular minutes of the Regional Board be adopted:

- August 16, 2023 as amended [[Item](#)]

- September 13, 2023. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

## **COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS**

### **Electoral Areas Services Committee**

Whalley/Colborne: SRD 834/23

THAT the draft minutes of the regular meeting of the Electoral Areas Services Committee held on September 13, 2023 be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

### **Strathcona Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee**

Colborne/Whalley: SRD 835/23

THAT the draft minutes of the inaugural meeting of the Strathcona Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee held on October 5, 2023 be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **Cortes Island Zoning Bylaw Review Process**

Vonesch/Rice: SRD 836/23

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

CARRIED

Vonesch/Mawhinney: SRD 837/23

THAT a report be prepared to update the Board on the process and status of the Cortes Island zoning bylaw review.

CARRIED

### **Housing Action Plan**

Mawhinney/Davis: SRD 838/23

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

CARRIED

Vonesch/Colborne: SRD 839/23

THAT a report be prepared on the Housing Action Plan which includes:  
-details of the plan;  
-cost estimates of the actions presented in the verbal report, along with any additional elements which are part of the Action Plan;  
-budget analysis including how regional elements such as the Climate Adaptability Plan would be fiscally managed;  
-rationale for the elements included; and  
-alternate options which could be considered in a draft Housing Action Plan designed for rural electoral areas.

Director Jack arrived in the meeting chambers.

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

CARRIED

### **Transport Canada Divested Wharves- Options**

Mawhinney/Davis: SRD 840/23

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

CARRIED

Chapman/Whalley: SRD 841/23

THAT the Regional District begin the process of moving the responsibility for the Surge Narrows, Port Neville and Owen Bay wharves into the Electoral Area C parks service.

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Whalley: SRD 842/23

THAT the Regional District investigate the divestiture of the Port Neville wharf with potential interested parties, and

THAT a report on the results of the investigation be returned to the Electoral Areas Services Committee for consideration.

CARRIED

### **Evans Bay Aquaculture License**

Whalley/Chapman: SRD 843/23

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

CARRIED

Chapman/Whalley: SRD 844/23

THAT a report be prepared outlining the current situation in respect of the aquaculture license held by Island Sea Farms in the Evans Bay area, and

THAT the report provide responses to questions posed in the correspondence attached to the September 19, 2023 report from the Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED

### **Electoral Area C Advisory Planning Commission - Applications for Membership**

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 845/23

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

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Whalley: SRD 846/23

THAT the following persons be appointed to the Electoral Area C (Discovery Islands-Mainland Inlets) Advisory Planning Commission:

1. Paul Nimmon
2. Pamela Gojiberg
3. Sheldon Etheridge
4. Sheila Hollanders
5. Tina Oswald
6. Nick Robinson
7. Sonya McLaren
8. Heather Jansen
9. Carol Ann Terreberry

CARRIED

### **Surge Narrows Marine Revitalization Project**

Mawhinney/Chapman: SRD 847/23

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

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Chapman: SRD 848/23

THAT up to \$400,000 be allocated from the Electoral Area C Gas Tax Reserve

Fund to assist with completion of the Surge Narrows Marine Revitalization Project.

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Chapman: SRD 849/23

THAT the Regional District plan a community meeting at Surge Narrows to discuss the Surge Narrows Revitalization Project.

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 850/23

THAT a committee of Outer Discovery Islanders be created with nominations from the community to facilitate communication between the Regional District and the Read Island community.

CARRIED

### **Grant Application: Active Transportation Network Planning Program**

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 851/23

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

CARRIED

Chapman/Mawhinney: SRD 852/23

THAT an application for funding be submitted to the 2023 Active Transportation Network Planning program to develop an Active Transportation Network Plan for Electoral Area C, and

THAT the Regional District commit to overall management of the grant if the application is successful, and

THAT if the application is successful, that 50% of the project funding be approved from the Electoral Area C Community Works Fund to a maximum of \$50,000.

CARRIED

### **School District 72 Liaison Committee**

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 853/23

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

CARRIED

Rice/Whalley: SRD 854/23

THAT a further report be prepared to investigate possible changes to the Terms of Reference for the School District 72 Liaison Committee which would establish a broader forum for discussing matters of mutual interest.

CARRIED

### **Linnaea Farm Society - Financial Assistance Request**

Vonesch/Colborne: SRD 855/23

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

CARRIED

Colborne/Whalley: SRD 856/23

THAT a report be prepared in consultation with Linnea Farms regarding the eligibility under UBCM criteria for the Linnaea Farm Society to access Community Works Funds to purchase and install a heat pump.

CARRIED

### **Financial Assistance Request - Cortes Island Community Foundation**

Vonesch/Colborne: SRD 857/23

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

Vonesch/Colborne: SRD 858/23

THAT a grant in aid in the amount of \$5,000 be awarded to the Cortes Island Community Foundation to assist with the production costs of a Vital Signs-like report on the state of the island community to be paid from the Electoral Area B grant in aid budget.

CARRIED

### **Requests for Financial Assistance - Electoral Area C**

Mawhinney/Chapman: SRD 859/23

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

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 860/23

THAT the Board approve grants in aid to be paid from the Electoral Area C grant in aid budget as follows:

- i) \$1,500 to the Quadra Cat Rescue to assist with costs associated with controlling the unwanted cat population on Quadra Island; and
- ii) \$400 to the Quadra Island Recreation Society to assist with expenses for Friday Flicks.

CARRIED

### **BYLAWS**

#### **Bylaws No. 497 & 498 - OCP Amendment and Rezoning - Electoral Area C (April Point Developments)**

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 861/23

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

Vonesch/Colborne: SRD 862/23

THAT the report on the public hearing for Bylaws No. 497 and 498 and all related records be received. [\[Item\]](#)

CARRIED

Whalley/Colborne: SRD 863/23

THAT Bylaw No. 497 be given third reading.

CARRIED

Whalley/Rice: SRD 864/23

THAT Bylaw No. 497, being Quadra Island Official Community Plan Bylaw 2007, Amendment No. 18, be reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Whalley: SRD 865/23

THAT Bylaw No. 498 be given third reading.

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Whalley: SRD 866/23

THAT Bylaw No. 498, being Quadra Island Zoning Bylaw 1990, Amendment No. 142, be reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Vonesch: SRD 867/23

THAT all ten homeowners involved in this application receive a copy of the permitted uses of the residential zone they are moving into and a copy of the Board staff report dated September 13, 2023 regarding short-term vacation rentals in Electoral Area C.

CARRIED

**Bylaws No. 503 and 504 - Electoral Area D OCP and Rezoning (Couverdon)**

Rice/Vonesch: SRD 868/23

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

CARRIED

Rice/Mawhinney: SRD 869/23

THAT Bylaw No. 503 be given third reading.

CARRIED

*Director Whalley opposed.*

Rice/Mawhinney: SRD 870/23

THAT Bylaw No. 503, being Oyster Bay-Buttle Lake Official Community Plan Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 23, be now reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.

CARRIED

*Director Whalley opposed.*

Rice/Vonesch: SRD 871/23

THAT Bylaw No. 504 be given third reading.

CARRIED

*Director Whalley opposed.*

Rice/Mawhinney: SRD 872/23

THAT Bylaw No. 504, being Campbell River Area Zoning Bylaw 1991, Amendment No. 63, be now reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.

CARRIED

*Director Whalley opposed.*

**Bylaw No. 519 - Rezoning Applications - Electoral Area D (Zaschke, Sprout, et al)**

Whalley/Mawhinney: SRD 873/23

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

CARRIED

Whalley/Rice: SRD 874/23

THAT the report on the public hearing for Bylaw No. 519 and all related records be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

Rice/Vonesch: SRD 875/23

THAT Bylaw No. 519 be given third reading.

DEFEATED

*Directors Mawhinney and Whalley opposed.*

**Bylaw No. 520 - Rezoning Application - Electoral Area D (Miller)**

Whalley/Mawhinney: SRD 876/23

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

Whalley/Mawhinney: SRD 877/23

THAT the report on the public hearing for Bylaw No. 520 and all related records be received. [\[Item\]](#)  
CARRIED

Rice/Whalley: SRD 878/23

THAT Bylaw No. 520 be given third reading.  
CARRIED

Rice/Whalley: SRD 879/23

THAT Bylaw No. 520, being Campbell River Area Zoning Bylaw 1991, Amendment No. 66, be reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.  
CARRIED

**Bylaw No. 524 - 2023 to 2027 Financial Plan Amendment**

Colborne/Whalley: SRD 880/23

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

Chapman/Vonesch: SRD 881/23

THAT Bylaw No. 524, being a bylaw to amend the 2023 to 2027 financial plan and capital expenditure program, be now introduced and read a first time.  
CARRIED

Chapman/Whalley: SRD 882/23

THAT the rules be suspended and Bylaw No. 524 be given second and third readings.  
CARRIED

Colborne/Mawhinney: SRD 883/23

THAT Bylaw No. 524, being 2023 to 2027 Financial Plan and Capital Expenditure Program Bylaw, Amendment No.1, be now reconsidered, finally passed and adopted.  
CARRIED

**Bylaws No. 525 and 526 - OCP and Rezoning - Electoral Area D (Honig)**

Rice/Colborne: SRD 884/23

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

Rice/Mawhinney: SRD 885/23

THAT Bylaw No. 525, being a bylaw to amend the Oyster Bay-Buttle Lake Official Community Plan, be now introduced and read a first time.  
CARRIED

Rice/Vonesch: SRD 886/23

THAT Bylaw No. 525 be given second reading.

CARRIED

Whalley/Mawhinney: SRD 887/23

THAT Bylaw No. 526, being a bylaw to amend the zoning regulations applicable to Electoral Area D (Oyster Bay-Buttle Lake), be now introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED

Rice/Vonesch: SRD 888/23

THAT Bylaw No. 526 be given second reading.

CARRIED

Vonesch/Rice: SRD 889/23

THAT an in-person public hearing to consider Bylaws No. 525 and 526 be scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at the Oyster Bay Resorts, Banquet Hall located at 4357 Island Hwy. S., Campbell River, BC and

THAT the holding of the public hearing be delegated to the Electoral Area D director.

CARRIED

### **Bylaw No. 527 - Sayward Valley Heritage Hall - Request for Funding**

Whalley/Vonesch: SRD 890/23

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

CARRIED

Whalley/Colborne: SRD 891/23

THAT Bylaw No. 527, being a bylaw to authorize entering into an agreement respecting the use of Community Works Funds, be now introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED

Whalley/Colborne: SRD 892/23

THAT the rules be suspended and Bylaw No. 527 be given second and third readings.

CARRIED

Whalley/Mawhinney: SRD 893/23

THAT Bylaw No. 527 be returned for consideration of adoption following receipt of written consent from the director for Electoral Area A.

CARRIED

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Colborne/Vonesch: SRD 894/23

THAT the following items be received:

### **Youth Parliament of British Columbia**

- September 14, 2023 correspondence from the Youth Parliament of British Columbia regarding their 95th Parliamentary Session in Victoria. [[Item](#)]

### **Vancouver Island Regional Library Budget**



- September 19, 2023 correspondence from the Vancouver Island Regional Library regarding its 2024 budget. [[Item](#)]

### **BC Ferry Authority 2022-23 Annual Report**

- September 19, 2023 correspondence from the BC Ferry Authority regarding its 2022-23 Annual Report. [[Item](#)]

### **Foster Family Month**

- September 26, 2023 correspondence from the Minister of Children and Family Development regarding Foster Family Month. [[Item](#)]

### **Cortes Island Septage Study**

- September 27, 2023 correspondence from the Minister of Municipal Affairs regarding an infrastructure planning grant for the Cortes Island Septage Management feasibility study. [[Item](#)]

### **Salmon Species at Risk**

- October 6, 2023 correspondence from Fisheries and Oceans Canada regarding Sakinaw Sockeye salmon. [[Item](#)]

- October 6, 2023 correspondence from Fisheries and Oceans Canada regarding Okanagan Chinook salmon. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

### **AVICC Committee on Solid Waste**

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 895/23

THAT the August 21, 2023 correspondence from the AVICC Committee on Solid Waste regarding its proposal to include 'circular economy' in its Terms of Reference be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

Vonesch/Colborne: SRD 896/23

THAT the AVICC Committee on Solid Waste Terms of Reference be accepted as presented; and

THAT Director Mawhinney be appointed to participate on the Committee.

CARRIED

### **Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (VICC) Climate Leadership Steering Committee**

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 897/23

THAT the September 15, 2023 correspondence from the VICC Climate Leadership Steering Committee regarding a financial assistance request be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Vonesch: SRD 898/23

THAT the Regional Board provide \$8,400 to the VICC Climate Leadership Steering Committee to be paid from the regional grant in aid budget.

Chapman/Rice: SRD 899/23

THAT staff prepare a report outlining composition of the VICC Climate Leadership Steering Committee and other similar committees in the province.

CARRIED

## **KCFN Water Safety Program**

Mawhinney/Colborne: SRD 900/23

THAT the correspondence from the Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nations requesting support for its Water Safety Program be received. [[Item](#)]

CARRIED

Mawhinney/Jack: SRD 901/23

THAT the SRD provide a letter of support to the Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nation regarding their application to the Telus Indigenous Communities grant for water safety training.

CARRIED

## **Strathcona Gardens Service**

Whalley/Mawhinney: SRD 902/23

THAT the following items of correspondence be received:

- September 29, 2023 correspondence from Lisa Le Signe regarding the Strathcona Gardens service. [[Item](#)]

- October 2, 2023 correspondence from Bill West-Sells regarding the Strathcona Gardens Service. [[Item](#)]

- October 3, 2023 correspondence from Myfanwy and Jason Varalta regarding the Strathcona Gardens service. [[Item](#)]

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Quadra and Cortes Transit**

Vonesch/Mawhinney: SRD 903/23

THAT staff prepare a report on subregional transportation services between Quadra Island, Discovery Islands, and Cortes Island with a tax requisition of \$5.00 or under per average property to leverage ride sharing and other initiatives.

DEFEATED

*Directors Baker,  
Colborne, Davis,  
Rice, and Whalley  
opposed.*

## **TERMINATION**

Whalley/Colborne: SRD 904/23

THAT the October 11, 2023 regular meeting of the Regional Board be terminated.

CARRIED

Time: 11:55 a.m.

Certified Correct:

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Chair

Corporate Officer

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