

# REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICPAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 8, 2019, 5:30 p.m. Franz Wilhelmsen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre 4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

PRESENT: Mayor J. Crompton

Councillor A. De Jong Councillor R. Forsyth Councillor J. Ford Councillor D. Jackson Councillor C. Jewett

ABSENT: Councillor J. Grills

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Jansen General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey

Acting General Manager of Corporate and Community Services,

R. Weetman

Fire Chief, J. McKearney

Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard

Director of Finance, C. Price Municipal Clerk, A. Banman

Manager of Communications, M. Comeau Utilities Group Manager, G. Woodward Acting Senior Planner, C. Beaubien Acting Senior Planner, R. Licko Planning Analyst, T. Napier Council Coordinator, N. Cooper

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. Crompton recognized that the Meeting is being held on the traditional territories of the Lil'wat Nation and the Squamish Nation.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of October 8, 2019.

## 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2019.

**CARRIED** 

## 4. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

## 4.1 Whistler Fire Rescue Service – Exemplary Service Medals and Regimental Badges

A presentation was given by Mayor J. Crompton and Fire Chief J. Kearney.

Mayor J. Crompton declared a recess of the Meeting at 5:54 p.m.

The Meeting was reconvened at 5:57 p.m.

## 5. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

## Bruce Watt, 9081 Summer Lane

## Alta Lake Road Sewer Line Project

Mr. Watt asked if the amount shown in the budget for the Alta Lake Road Sewer Line is the total estimated amount or a portion of it. He also noted that there doesn't seem to be any way for the RMOW to recoup the money, and he asked if the RMOW could subdivide one or two properties to help mitigate the costs. He also asked if other issues of concern such as the Valley Trail link, parking, barges in the lake had been taken into consideration with the budget.

General Manager of Infrastructure Services J. Hallisey responded that the amount of \$3.81 million is the total estimated amount.

Mayor J. Crompton responded that Council shares some of those concerns such as safety and parking. He noted that the request for the sewer is something that the RMOW is legislated to respond to. He noted that he does not think that the disposal public land to fund the sewer is a good idea at this time.

## Roger McCarthy, 5714 Alta Lake Road

## Alta Lake Road Sewer Line Project

Mr. McCarthy noted that there are some opportunities to hook up some commercial operations, and that he has seen the flagging to move the valley trail, and asked if there is an opportunity to look at putting the sewer line in where it would look better and be at a lower cost. He asked if there is some land that could be sold to help mitigate the cost.

Mayor J. Crompton responded that the RMOW is not looking to sell any public land to mitigate costs on this project.

## 6. MAYOR'S REPORT

## Climate Strike March

Mayor Jack Crompton thanked the hundreds of individuals who met with him and Councillor Arthur De Jong after the Climate Strike march on September 27, 2019. He noted that the march concluded at Municipal Hall where Jade Quinn-McDonald, the president of the Whistler Secondary School Student Environmental Club, gave a speech outlining changes the marchers demanded for the community. He added that Jade Quinn-McDonald handed him a letter signed by around 130 individuals supporting action against climate change, and it began: "We, the young, are deeply concerned about our future." He noted that the letter criticizes levels of Carbon Dioxide emissions within Whistler and states that "Local governments have to be able to set progressive policies to support climate action because climate change will be felt hardest at the local level." After the march Mayor Jack Crompton and Councillor Arthur De Jong attended the meeting at Maury Young Arts Centre for further discussion of climate action ideas.

## Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the UBCM annual convention took place from September 23 to 27, 2019. The convention is the main forum for UBCM policy making and is attended by more than 2,000 delegates from local government, the provincial government, related associations, media and staff. He noted that a Whistler delegation, including members of Council and senior staff, met with provincial ministers and staff, participated in forums and workshops. Mayor Jack Crompton noted that they met with a number of ministries, including Minister Claire Trevena, Transportation and Infrastructure, Deputy Premier Carole James, Minister of Finance, Minister George Heyman, Environment and Climate Change, Minister Lisa Beare, Tourism, Arts and Culture, Minister Doug Donaldson, FLNRO, Minister Katrina Chen, Minister of State for Child Care and Minister Judy Darcy, Mental Health and Addictions.

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that Whistler hosted the convention in 2002, 2010 and 2014, 2018 and will again host UBCM in 2021. He congratulated Councillor Jen Ford who has been elected third vice-president of the UBCM executive board, which means she be elected as president of UBCM in Whistler and will be the first Whistler President of the UBCM.

## Maytober Challenge

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the Maytober Challenge has concluded for this year. The RMOW had asked Whistler residents to help reduce the largest source of our community's emissions—private passenger vehicle trips which are responsible for 57 per cent of emissions—by switching out one trip a week for a lower carbon transportation choice. Mayor Jack Crompton thanked everyone who participated in the challenge, and he congratulated Janet Pashleigh who won the Maytober challenge with her photo of taking the bus into town then hiking up the mountain.

Mayor Jack Crompton provided a few statistics:

- Hundreds of people travelled by Whistler's fantastic Valley Trail each day.
- 2,610 bikes were parked in Whistler's free bike valet.
- The Whistler Transit System carried over 12,000 bikes on the bus bike racks.

 And more people chose the Whistler Transit System to be part of their regular commute: over 23,000 more rides were paid for in 2019 than during the same period in 2018. This number doesn't include the number of people who took free transit during the weekend.

Although the Maytober Challenge has wrapped up, Mayor Jack Crompton hopes that, everyone will continue walking, biking or taking transit this winter, and he added that small individual behavioural changes really do make a difference in reducing Whistler's community's greenhouse gas emissions.

## **Child Care Surveys**

Mayor Jack Crompton advised that the RMOW has launched two child care surveys and is asking all parents, caregivers as well as current and potential child care providers to complete them. The surveys will help the RMOW better understand the child care situation in Whistler and create a Child Care Action Plan. He noted that funding for the surveys was provided by the Union of B.C. Municipalities and the Province. More information can be found online at whistler.ca/childcare.

## Open House for Ground Water Well

Mayor Jack Crompton advised that there will be an open house for the community to discuss the commissioning of a second ground water well in the Rainbow aquifer. He noted that the well is already constructed, and would only be used rarely, such as when Whistler's main source of water, 21 Mile Creek, is too turbid to treat. The open house will be held on Tuesday, October 15 from 4 to 5 p.m. at Municipal Hall in the Flute Room.

## 2020 Budget Community Meeting

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the 2020 Budget Community Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 12 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Maury Young Arts Centre.

#### Cops for Cancer

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that he met with the Cops for Cancer riders when they biked through Whistler in September. The riders raised money for paediatric cancer research. He thanked the representatives from Whistler and Squamish RCMP detachments.

## Whistler Community Services Society

Mayor Jack Crompton congratulated Whistler Community Services Society for their 30 years of service to the community. He noted that on Friday evening, the Fairmont hotel hosted the 30th Anniversary party and it was a great event. He added that the community was generous and raised a lot of money for an organization that has had a big impact on Whistler's growth. He congratulated all the people who have put in so much time over the last 30 years.

### Mountain Bike Travel Association

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the Mountain Bike Travel Association held their Annual Symposium in Whistler this year. He participated in their opening event and Chief Administrative Officer Mike Furey participated in one of their panels. He added that it is wonderful to be able to host an organization that represents a group so crucial to the

success of Whistler. He thanked the organiser, Grant Lamont for choosing Whistler for the event.

## National Seniors Day

Mayor Jack Crompton added the National Seniors Day events last Monday. He noted that they discussed the ways Whistler is meeting the needs of seniors and gaps that need to be addressed. He thanked all the people who work so hard to make Whistler a place for all people.

#### Happy Birthday

Mayor Jack Crompton wished Councillor Ralph Forsyth a Happy Birthday.

## Sea to Sky Realtors

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that last week he had the privilege of providing the municipal update to Sea to Sky Realtors. He added that it was nice to hear their candid feedback and get a better understanding from them of Whistler's market reality. Karen Elliott and Jonas Valimaki presented from Squamish and Kim Needham presented from the SLRD.

## Red Dress Walk

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that Friday marked another Red Dress Walk for Whistler. Residents met at the Welcome Statue at Mountain Plaza and walked to Celebration Plaza to remember Missing and Murdered Women and Girls. He thanked Linda Epp for all her work to ensure they are remembered in our community.

## International Day of the Girl

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that on Monday October 7, 2019, the International Day of the Girl event was held at MYAC, and he thanked the organisers of the event.

#### Condolences

On behalf of council and the Resort Municipality of Whistler, Mayor Jack Crompton shared condolences with the family and friends of Nicole Alana Cote. He added that Nicole had worked at Meadow Park Sports Centre as a lifeguard and instructor for eight years before leaving in 2006. She was known for her cheerfulness, her kindness, and energetic work ethic, and she was responsible for teaching hundreds of Whistler's youth how to swim.

Mayor Jack Crompton also shared condolences with the family and friends of Mikayla Martin. Mikayla was a ski-cross racer who had achieved two top-ten results last winter in her first season of adult competition on the FIS World Cup circuit. In 2018 she won the FIS Junior World Ski Championships in Cardrona, New Zealand. She was also a former alpine racer with the Whistler Mountain Ski Club.

## Councillor Cathy Jewett

Councillor Cathy Jewett reminded the community that the Emily Carr: Fresh Seeing exhibition is open until November 19, 2019. She noted that there are a number of events that support this exhibit, including a film series on October 21, 2019 to give people an opportunity to learn more about Emily Carr.

## 7. INFORMATION REPORTS

## 7.1 Second Quarter Financial Report - 2019

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 19-124 Quarterly Financial Report for the six months ended June 30, 2019.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

## 8.1 SEC29 – 1017 Madeley Place – Floodplain Exemption

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to amend the Section 219 flood protection covenant CA1075296 registered on the title of 1017 Madeley Place to attach the report from Kontur Geotechnical Consultants Inc., dated June 16, 2019, confirming that the proposed building location and design including habitable basement are safe for the intended residential use.

**CARRIED** 

## 8.2 DVP1182 – 3565 Falcon Crescent – Concrete Retaining Wall Setback Variances

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit no. 1182 for the proposed development located at 3565 Falcon Crescent to:

- Vary the front setback for a concrete retaining wall from 2 metres to 0.9 metres; and
- b. Permit this wall to be a maximum of 3.0 metres in height;

as shown on the Architectural plans dated July 10, 2019 prepared by Stark Architecture and attached as Appendix "B" to Administrative Report to Council No. 19-126.

## 8.3 DP1679 – 1200 Alpha Lake Road – Auxiliary Residential Dwelling Unit

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** Council approve the revised plans for Development Permit DP1679 for the proposed auxiliary residential dwelling unit at 1200 Alpha Lake Road, as per the revised drawings labelled SK01, SK02, SK04, and SK05, dated September 2019, prepared by Allie Shiell Architect, and attached as Appendix "B" to Administrative Report No. 19-127.

**CARRIED** 

## 8.4 Amendments to Zoning and Sign Bylaws to Remove Temporary Use Permit Requirement for Home-Based Artist Studios

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** Council consider giving first and second readings to "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Delete Temporary Use Permits for Home-Based Artist Studios) No. 2242, 2019" as amended;

**That** Council authorize staff to schedule a public hearing for "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Delete Temporary Use Permits for Home-Based Artist Studios) No. 2242, 2019" as amended, and to advertise for same in the local newspaper; and

**That** Council consider giving first and second readings to "Sign Bylaw Amendment Bylaw (Home-Based Artist Studios) No. 2247, 2019".

**CARRIED** 

## 8.5 Alta Lake Road Sanitary Sewer Extension

Councillor D. Jackson declared a conflict of interest due to owning property in the area and left the Meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council support staff to proceed with the Alta Lake Road Sewer Extension Project as outlined in the summary of this Administrative Report 19-129.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor D. Jackson returned to the Meeting at 7:01 p.m.

## 8.6 Community Resiliency Investment Program Grant Application

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson
Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** Council endorse the Union of British Columbia Municipalities' Community Resiliency Investment Program grant application, and if successful, direct staff to provide overall grant management as per Union of British Columbia Municipalities' grant requirements.

**CARRIED** 

## 8.7 Permissive Tax Exemption Amendment Bylaw No. 2249, 2019

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third readings to "Permissive Tax Exemption Amendment Bylaw No. 2249, 2019".

**CARRIED** 

#### 9. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

## 9.1 Forest and Wildland Advisory Committee - July 10, 2019

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Forest and Wildland Advisory Committee of July 10, 2019 be received.

**CARRIED** 

## 9.2 Advisory Design Panel - July 17, 2019

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Advisory Design Panel of July 17, 2019 be received.

## 10. BYLAWS FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS

## 10.1 Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Delete Temporary Use Permits for Home-Based Artist Studios) Bylaw No. 2242, 2019

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Delete Temporary Use Permits for Home-Based Artist Studios) Bylaw No. 2242, 2019" be given first and second readings.

**CARRIED** 

## 10.2 Sign Bylaw Amendment Bylaw (Home-Based Artist Studios) No. 2247, 2019

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That "Sign Bylaw Amendment Bylaw (Home-Based Artist Studios) No. 2247,

2019" be given first and second readings.

**CARRIED** 

## 11. BYLAW FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

## 11.1 Permissive Tax Exemption Amendment Bylaw No. 2249, 2019

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That "Permissive Tax Exemption Amendment Bylaw No. 2249, 2019 be given

first, second and third readings.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

#### 13. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 13.1 Whistler Triathlon Suggestion

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** correspondence from Jenny Robinson, regarding a Whistler Triathlon suggestion be received and referred to staff.

## 13.2 Whistler Youth Centre Days of Operation

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** correspondence from Miyuki Espada, regarding the Whistler Youth Centre Days of Operation be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

## 13.3 Climate Change

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong
Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Patrick Smyth, regarding climate change be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

## 13.4 Safe Place to Live

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

**That** correspondence from Rebecca Matthews, regarding a safe place to live be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

## 13.5 Request to Waive Title Search Requirements for DES Disconnection Permits

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett
Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from David MacPhail, regarding a request to waive title search requirements for DES Disconnection Permits be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

#### 13.6 CivX 2019 Event Registration

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

**That** correspondence from Shannon Story, regarding CivX 2019 Event Registration be received.

## 13.7 Light Up Requests

## 1. Light Up Request - Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome Awareness

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** correspondence from Kathy Leavens, Program Support Specialist and Ambassador Program Director, LGS Foundation, requesting that on November 1, 2019 the Fitzsimmons Bridge be lit purple in support of Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome Awareness Day be received, and the bridge lit.

**CARRIED** 

## 2. Light Up Request - Adoption Awareness Month

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Allie Davidson, Communications Coordinator, Adoptive Families Association of BC, requesting that on November 9, 2019 the Fitzsimmons Bridge be lit green in support of Adoption Awareness Month, be received and the bridge lit.

**CARRIED** 

## 3. Light Up Request - World Diabetes Day

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett
Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Sarah Kinsman, Administrative Assistant, JDRF, BC & Yukon, requesting that on November 14, 2019 the Fitzsimmons Bridge be lit blue in support of World Diabetes Day, be received and the bridge lit.

**CARRIED** 

## 4. Light Up Request - World Prematurity Day

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Fabiana Bacchini, Executive Director, Canadian Premature Babies Foundation, requesting that on November 17, 2019 the Fitzsimmons Bridge be lit purple in support ofWorld Prematurity Day, be received and the bridge lit.

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## 13.8 Proclamation Request - World Polio Day

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** correspondence from Murray Wood, Rotary District 5040 Area Governor - Sea to Sky, requesting that October 24, 2019 be proclaimed 'World Polio Day' in Whistler, be received and so proclaimed.

**CARRIED** 

## 14. TERMINATION

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** the Regular Council Meeting of October 8, 2019 be terminated at 7:12 p.m.

Mayor, J. Crompton	Municipal Clerk, A. Banman