

# WHISTLER

# MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TUESDAY, JULY 23 2019, STARTING AT 5:30 P.M.

Franz Wilhelmsen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre 4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

## **PRESENT:**

Mayor: J. Crompton

Councillors: A. De Jong, R. Forsyth, J. Ford, J. Grills, D. Jackson

and C. Jewett

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey

Acting General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Ertel

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Jansen

General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, T. Battiston

Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard

Municipal Clerk, A. Banman

Manager of Communications, M. Comeau

Manager of Economic Development, T. Metcalf

Manager of Recreation, R. Weetman

Manager of Facility Construction Management, A. Chalk

Records and Information Management Coordinator, B. Gilroy

Environmental Stewardship Manager, H. Beresford

Climate Change Coordinator, M. Kniewasser

Legislative Services Administrative Assistant, L. Wyn-Griffiths

RCMP Inspector K. Triance RCMP Corporal J. Witzke

Whistler Housing Authority General Manager, M. Zucht

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

Mayor J. Crompton acknowledged the attendance of Freedom of the Municipality holder Sue Adams.

# **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Agenda

Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of July 23, 2019.

CARRIED

# **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor A. De Jong Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2019.

#### PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

RCMP Whistler Community Outreach Program A presentation was given by RCMP Inspector Kara Triance and Corporal Jeff Witzke, regarding the RCMP Whistler Community Outreach Program.

#### **PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

Matthew Kelly 1301 Alta Lake Road

Re: Housing/Airbnb

Mr. Kelly asked why Council is focusing on the demand side of the housing problem rather than the supply side problem, by changing the eligibility conditions for the housing waitlist instead of pushing for more housing and limiting Airbnbs.

Mayor J. Crompton encouraged Mr. Kelly to stay for the presentation on the Employee Rental Housing Policy later on in the meeting. He added that Council is focusing on both the demand and supply sides of the problem, by building additional housing, and enforcing the bylaws regarding illegal nightly rentals.

Mr. Kelly asked if there is any possibility for a tax on properties that are listed with Airbnb because they are removing housing from the housing pool.

Mayor J. Crompton advised that the RMOW is enforcing the bylaws for properties that are not zoned for nightly rentals so that housing is used for residential purposes. He added that the Province is attaching a tax to tourist accommodation zoned properties that are being rented legally through Airbnb.

Mr. Kelly asked if the area zoned for nightly rentals could be reduced.

Mayor J. Crompton responded that this is not being considered in the shortterm and the goal now is to build additional employee housing as part of the Whistler Housing Authority inventory.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

#### **Whistler Presents Events**

Mayor Jack Crompton acknowledged the Whistler Presents Concert Series that has been taking place this summer. He added that the series continues with Papagroove on Thursday, August 1 at 7:30 p.m., Broken Social Scene on Friday, August 2 at 7 p.m. and Nahko and Medicine for the People on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. The concerts are at Whistler Olympic Plaza. He encouraged residents to bike to the performances and take advantage of the free bike valet. Mayor Jack Crompton also noted that on the following two weekends Whistler Street Entertainment will be taking place around the Village. He also thanked the Province of British Columbia for funding this Festivals, Events and Animation programming through Municipal and Regional District Hotel Tax.

### **IRONMAN**

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the upcoming weekend is the seventh Subaru IRONMAN Canada event scheduled in Whistler. He added that this year wraps up Whistler's successful run of hosting the event and he encouraged everyone to come cheer on the athletes.

He acknowledged the Ironman website for event maps and schedules to find the best place to watch.

Mayor Jack Crompton encouraged members of the community to plan ahead for closures and delays if travelling by vehicle or transit, and that the best way to get around is walking or biking on the Valley Trail. He added that Meadow Park Sports Centre will be closed from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the Whistler Waste Transfer Station in the Callaghan Valley will be closed all day. More information can be found online at Whistler.ca/Ironman.

#### **Western Toad Migration**

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that at Lost Lake Park, the tiny Western Toads have begun their migration from the lake to the surrounding forest. He added that portions of Lost Lake Park may be closed during the migration. He noted that everyone is welcome to walk into the park to view the migration and learn about the toadlets from naturalists on site. He advised to step carefully and walk bikes because the toads are the size of dimes and easily crushed.

# Affordable Housing - Federal Funding

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the federal government has provided \$7.3M towards the construction of a 24-unit affordable employee housing building at 1020 Legacy Way. He added that the investment is through the National Housing Strategy's Rental Construction Financing initiative and the Affordable Housing Innovation Fund.

#### **Heat Pump Rebates**

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that The Resort Municipality of Whistler has partnered with CleanBC Better Homes and Better Buildings to offer rebates to residents who switch from a fossil fuel heating system to an electric airsource heat pump. He added that electric heat pumps efficiently heat and cool a home and that they save reduce both the home's carbon footprint and enhance indoor air quality. He also noted that rebates of up to \$4,000 are available.

# <u>Volunteer Opportunities - Liquor Licence Advisory Committee and</u> Board of Variance

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the Liquor Licence Advisory Committee is searching for a volunteer from the restaurant sector for the 2019 to 2021 term. He added that the committee advises staff and Council on liquor licence applications and other liquor related matters. The deadline for applications is Thursday, August 1, 2019. He added that the Board of Variance is searching for a volunteer candidate. He noted that the Board of Variance deals with appeals for minor variances to Whistler's Zoning Bylaw. He noted that the deadline for applications is Friday, July 26, 2019 and to find out more about both opportunities at Whistler.ca/committees.

# **Ucwalmicwts Language Class at the Whistler Library**

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that he and Councillor Cathy Jewett attended the first Ucwalmicwts language class at the Whistler Library. He noted that Ucwalmicwts is the language spoken by the Lil'wat Nation and that it was a "kila ama skit" which means "it was a very good day". Mayor Jack Crompton thanked their teacher Gu7ses Yvonne and the Whistler Library.

# **Provincial BMX Series**

Mayor Jack Crompton welcomed the Provincial BMX series to Whistler on the weekend, and that it was terrific to see the track teeming with people. He thanked Jody Hallett and Tina Symko for all the work they do keeping BMX available to Whistler. He added that it is truly a family event and there were three-year olds on run bikes and 73-year olds on BMXs. He noted that anyone interested should contact Whistler BMX directly.

## **Consul General of the Solomon Islands**

Mayor Jack Crompton met with Consul General of the Solomon Islands Mr. Ashwant Dwivedi. He noted that they discussed the opportunities that may exist for the Solomon Islands to work with Whistler on a number of issues of mutual interest. He added that the Solomon Islands is on the front lines experiencing the direct impacts of our changing climate and that it was interesting to hear of the ways their government is responding and their work with Canada.

## Condolences

On behalf of council and the Resort Municipality of Whistler, Mayor Jack Crompton shared condolences with the family and friends of John Charles Gage, known as Chuck. He noted that Chuck was a founding member of Pemberton's Big Sky Golf and Country Club. Mayor Jack Crompton also added that Chuck was honoured as the Sport BC Community Sport Hero in 2005 and the PNGA's Distinguished Service Award in 2006, and that he devoted seventeen years to volunteering with the Whistler Mountain Host program.

#### INFORMATION REPORT

Whistler Energy Consumption and Greenhouse Gas Performance Trends – 2018 Annual Report File No. A05001 Report No. 19-093 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 19-093 regarding Whistler's 2018 Annual Energy Consumption and Greenhouse Gas Performance Trends.

**CARRIED** 

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Information Governance Policy File No. 0340-20 Report No. 19-094 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** Council adopt Council Policy J-01: Information Governance Policy.

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Kids on the Go Program Update File No. KOTG2019 Report No. 19-096 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council direct staff to continue to monitor Kids on the Go trends and respond with ongoing incremental, operational improvements as available; and

**That** Council direct Recreation staff to work with the Planning Department and the Whistler Centre for Sustainability to collaborate on the Child Care Planning Project, to carefully evaluate the Child Care Planning Project Study findings, and to participate in the implementation of the Study's recommended outcomes.

CARRIED

Meadow Park Sports Centre Dehumidifier Replacement Project File No. 8025.14 Report No. 19-097 Moved by Councillor R. Forsyth Seconded by Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council award the contract in the amount of \$950,000.00 (exclusive of GST) to Entity Mechanical Ltd. in accordance with their tender submission dated June 13, 2019.

CARRIED

Amended at the August 13, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Councillor C. Jewett declared a conflict of interest because she is on the WHA rental waitlist, and left the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Councillor J. Grills declared a conflict of interest because of his family interest in the WHA rental list, and left at 7:36 p.m.

Employee Rental Housing Policy File No. 2150 Report No. 19-098 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council adopt Council Policy K-01: Employee Rental Housing Policy as amended and presented for consideration; and

**That** Council support enhanced focus on enforcement within the Employee Housing Programs.

OPPOSED: Councillor R. Forsyth

CARRIED

Mayor J. Crompton declared a brief recess of the Meeting at 8:51 p.m.

The Meeting was reconvened at 8:55 p.m.

Councillors C. Jewett and J. Grills entered the Meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2199, 2018, as Revised – Report of Public Hearing and Third Reading Consideration File No. 7503.03 Report No. 19-099 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** Council consider giving third reading to "Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2199, 2018", as further revised; and further

**That** Council direct staff to refer the Regional Context Statement contained in "Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2199, 2018", as further revised, to the Board of the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) for acceptance.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Whistler Bear Advisory Committee

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

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Whistler Bear

Advisory Committee of June 12, 2019.

CARRIED

Forest and Wildland

Advisorv Committee Moved by Councillor A. De Jong Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Forest and Wildland

Advisory Committee of June 12, 2019.

CARRIED

Advisory Design

Panel

Moved by Councillor D. Jackson Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Advisory Design

Panel of March 20, 2019 and May 22, 2019.

**CARRIED** 

**BYLAW FOR THIRD READING** 

Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2199, 2018

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

That "Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2199, 2018", as revised, be given

third reading".

CARRIED

**BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION** 

Moved by Councillor J. Grills

Special Event Bylaw No. 2171,

2019

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

That "Special Event Bylaw No. 2171, 2019" be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

CARRIED

Bylaw Notice Enforcement

Amendment Bylaw (Special Event) No.

2215, 2019 Municipal Ticket

2215, 2019" be adopted.

Seconded by Councillor C. Jewett

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

Information System Implementation Amendment Bylaw

(Special Event) No. 2216, 2019

**That** "Municipal Ticket Information System Implementation Amendment

That "Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw (Special Event) No.

Bylaw (Special Event) No. 2216, 2019" be adopted.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

# Strategic Planning Committee Appointments

Mayor J. Crompton noted that the following individuals were appointed to the Strategic Planning Committee:

- Emily Amirault
- Dave Brownie
- David Dale-Johnson
- Dave Williamson
- Robyn Spencer

# Bylaw Officer Appointments

Moved by Councillor J. Grills Seconded by Councillor C. Jewett

Whereas the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler ("Whistler") wishes to appoint Kevin Creery as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367, and upon Kevin Creery swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavit in the Province of British Columbia, Whistler hereby appoints Kevin Creery as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to perform the functions and duties specified in the Bylaw Officers job descriptions.

Whereas the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler ("Whistler") wishes to appoint Graham McFetridge as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367, and upon Graham McFetridge swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavit in the Province of British Columbia, Whistler hereby appoints Graham McFetridge as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to perform the functions and duties specified in the Bylaw Officers job descriptions.

Whereas the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler ("Whistler") wishes to appoint Adrian Collum as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367, and upon Adrian Collum swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavit in the Province of British Columbia, Whistler hereby appoints Adrian Collum as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to perform the functions and duties specified in the Bylaw Officers job descriptions.

Whereas the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler ("Whistler") wishes to appoint Christopher Sager as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367, and upon Christopher Sager swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavit in the Province of British Columbia, Whistler hereby appoints Christopher Sager as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to perform the functions and duties specified in the Bylaw Officers job descriptions.

Whereas the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler ("Whistler") wishes to appoint Juan Pineda as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367, and upon Juan Pineda swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavit in the Province of British Columbia, Whistler hereby appoints Juan Pineda as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to perform the functions and duties specified in the Bylaw Officers job descriptions.

Whereas the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler ("Whistler") wishes to appoint Todd Hardie as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367, and upon Todd Hardie swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavit in the Province of British Columbia, Whistler hereby appoints Todd Hardie as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to perform the functions and duties specified in the Bylaw Officers job descriptions.

Whereas the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler ("Whistler") wishes to appoint Jeremie Bellmore as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367, and upon Jeremie Bellmore swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavit in the Province of British Columbia, Whistler hereby appoints Jeremie Bellmore as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to perform the functions and duties specified in the Bylaw Officers job descriptions.

**CARRIED** 

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Lower Mainland Local Government Association 2019 Resolutions Disposition File No. 2014 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

**That** correspondence from Shannon Story, Executive Director, Lower Mainland Local Government Association, regarding Lower Mainland Local Government Association 2019 Resolutions Disposition be received.

**CARRIED** 

City of Prince George UBCM Resolutions File No. 2014 Moved by Councillor R. Forsyth Seconded by Councillor A. De Jong

**That** correspondence from Lynn Hall, Mayor, City of Prince George, regarding UBCM Resolutions be received.

CARRIED

2019 Asset Management Planning Program File No. 2014 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor C. Jewett

**That** correspondence from Peter Ronald, Programs Officer, Local Government Program Services, UBCM, regarding the 2019 Asset Management Planning program be received and referred to staff.

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Whistler Cemetery

Suggestion File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor J. Ford

Seconded by Councillor C. Jackson

That correspondence from Johannah Aldred, regarding a suggestion for the

Whistler Cemetery be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

**Essential Services** 

Housing File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor J. Grills Seconded by Councillor C. Jewett

That correspondence from Jordy Aboussafy, regarding Essential Services Housing be received and referred to staff, and referred to the Whistler

Housing Authority.

CARRIED

E-Bikes

Moved by Councillor C. Jewett File No. 3009

Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That correspondence from Raveen Dhaliwal, regarding E-Bikes be received

and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

Benefits of Working

from Home File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor A. De Jong

That correspondence from Patrick Smyth, regarding the benefits of working

from home be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Climate Accountability Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

Letter

File No. 3009

That correspondence from Bruce Wiebe, regarding the Climate

Accountability Letter be received.

**CARRIED** 

Light Up Request -**HPV** Prevention

Week

File No. 3009.1

Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That correspondence from Jay Poulton, Director of Communications, Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada, requesting that on October 1, 2019, the Fitzsimmons Bridge be lit teal in support of HPV Prevention

week be received and Fitzsimmons Bridge be lit.

**CARRIED** 

#### **TERMINATION**

Motion to Terminate

Moved by Councillor J. Ford

Seconded by Councillor R. Forsyth

That the Regular Council Meeting of July 23, 2019 be terminated at

9:20 p.m.

Mayor, J. Crompton Municipal Clerk, A. Banman