

# WHISTLER

## MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2018, STARTING AT 5:30 P.M.

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

## PRESENT:

J. Crompton Mayor:

Councillors: A. De Jong, J. Ford, R. Forsyth, J. Grills, and C. Jewett

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey

General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, T. Battiston

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

Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard

Municipal Clerk, B. Browning

Manager of Communications, M. Comeau

Planner, R. Brennan

Planning Analyst, J. Abraham Council Coordinator, N. Cooper

Whistler Housing Authority General Manager, Marla Zucht

### ABSENT:

Councillor D. Jackson

Mayor J. Crompton recognized that we are on the traditional territories of the Lil'wat Nation and the Squamish Nation.

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor J. Ford Agenda

Seconded by Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of December 4,

2018.

**CARRIED** 

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes Moved by Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 20,

2018.

## **PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

Tova Jamernik 306-4800 Spearhead Drive Tova Jamernik asked if Council has considered leasing the lands located at 4500 Blackcomb Way, behind the tennis club or the lands at Cheakamus Crossing for the purposes of an RV park.

Re: Housing Shortage

Mayor J. Crompton responded that the sites mentioned had not specifically been considered, but temporary housing was considered by the Mayor's Task Force on Resident Housing. At this point the focus is on opening permanent beds and moving forward some of the recommendations of the Task Force.

Tova Jamernik clarified that she was not asking about temporary housing, but a place for people who chose to live in their vehicle full time.

Mayor J. Crompton responded that an RV site in the village has not been investigated at this time, but nothing is off the table.

Re: MRDT

Tova Jamernik asked if there is a plan to use the additional MRDT funding for affordable housing as this is now allowed under the program.

Mayor J. Crompton responded that this is something Council and RMOW staff are investigating.

Re: AirBnB illegal rentals

Tova Jamernik asked whether the total number of fines issued and the total amount collected with regards to fines issued as a result of illegal rentals under the new bylaw could be published online.

Mayor Jack Crompton responded that it is possible, but would be something that would need to be considered by Council.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor's Report

## Accident on Highway 99

On behalf of the RMOW and Council, Mayor Jack Crompton passed on his sincere condolences to the family and friends of the Bekah Mann, the individual who tragically passed away following an accident on Highway 99 at the weekend. These kinds of tragedies hit the close-knit Sea-to-Sky communities hard. Information about the incident and those involved hasn't been released. Mayor Jack Crompton asked that the community respects the space family and friends need at this time.

Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) partners with hotels to reduce plastic bottle use

The RMOW is partnering with local hotels in efforts to reduce plastic bottle use. Through the partnership, the RMOW and hotels are letting guests know they can drink Whistler's water straight from the tap – acknowledging that this is uncommon in other parts of the world. The initiative is part of the RMOW's commitment to reduce waste, including single use plastic. Other ways of encouraging the use of tap water are through Whistler's 20 public water fountains maintained all across the community, at all major parks and in the Village, with more planned for installation in 2019. More information about Whistler's drinking water can be found online at whistler.ca/drinkingwater.

## Pay parking returns December 15, 2018

Peak season pay parking returns in the day lots on December 15, 2018. Pay parking will be required in Day Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 from December 15, 2018 to April 15, 2019. Employee/ Resident parking passes for Day Lot 4 and 5 are available for purchase online now. Mayor Jack Crompton reminded the community that winter parking regulations on streets are in effect. The winter parking regulations state that there is no odd side parking is allowed at any time of the day, and even side parking is not allowed between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday. These regulations are required for snow clearing efforts on roads. With an array of winter conditions hitting the Sea-to-Sky, Mayor Jack Crompton reminded the community to stay safe on the roads.

## Whistler Village winter animation begins

The RMOW's schedule of winter events and village animation kick off soon. Residents and visitors alike can enjoy a wide range of activities including ice skating outdoors, tobogganing, cross-country skiing, live music and more. Mayor Jack Crompton reminded the community to check the ice before skating. The beloved ice skate rink in Whistler Olympic Plaza opens this Saturday on December 8, 2018. Family Après returns on December 17, 2018 with a jam-packed line up of family-friendly activities throughout the winter season. The Whistler Holiday Experience returns this holiday season offering a range of entertainment for parents and kids indoors at the Whistler Conference Centre. There is more information about winter events in Whistler at whistler.ca/WhistlerPresents.

## Whistler Film Festival and Luge World Cup in Whistler

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that over the past week many community members had been able to go out and enjoy some of the events on as part of the Whistler Film Festival and Luge World Cup. The Whistler Film Festival was one of Whistler's first arts events, and has continued to grow over the past 17 years. Mayor Crompton added that he and several councillors were delighted to attend some of the festivals events and film screenings, including the opening event and awards ceremony, and Councillor Cathy Jewett joined the Women on Top event along with Councillor John Grills. The Whistler Film Festival is a valued part of Whistler's cultural offerings. Mayor Jack Crompton noted that 43 of the films had been produced or directed by women. This weekend was also the Luge World Cup hosted at the Whistler Sliding Centre. Mayor Jack Crompton offered his congratulations to the Canadian relay team, which included Reid Watts, for their bronze medal in the event and noted that it is great to see Whistler continue to be a host community for both local and world cup level sports events.

## Community natural gas conservation

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the RMOW has turned off the fire pits in Olympic Plaza as part of Whistler's efforts to conserve natural gas. BC's natural gas supply may continue to be limited this winter following a rupture of a natural gas transmission pipeline near Prince George in October, and

FortisBC is encouraging businesses and residents across the province to take measures to conserve gas. In response, the RMOW has set the temperatures for its natural gas heating system to 18 degrees Celsius, and is implementing conservation measures across its municipal facilities including Municipal Hall, Meadow Park Sports Centre, Maury Young Arts Centre, and Whistler Olympic Plaza. Mayor Jack Crompton encouraged the community to do their part to conserve gas.

## Council Recognition to committee and board volunteers

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the year will soon come to a close, and he thanked the hard-working committee and board volunteers. More than 100 community members volunteer on Council's 20 committees and two Council-appointed boards. These dedicated volunteers share their input and expertise, and provide incredible value to municipal projects, policies and programs. On November 26, 2018 the RMOW hosted the annual council recognition event dedicated to these volunteers. On behalf of Council, RMOW staff and the community, Mayor Jack Crompton thanked these volunteers for their contributions to Whistler.

## Inside Scoop event for new-comers on December 11, 2018

Whistler's Inside Scoop event returns on Tuesday, December 11, 2018. For those new to town, or those working on Whistler's frontline, this is a great, and fun event to attend providing insider knowledge on all aspects of winter experiences in Whistler. This is a free event with more than 100 local businesses and service providers sharing their information at the event. Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the RMOW's recreation team, transportation and transit staff and bylaw crew will be attending to share important winter messages with attendees. The event is on at the Whistler Conference Centre from 2 until 6 p.m.

BCBusiness names Whistler in top three Best Cities for Work in BC Whistler has been named in the top three Best Cities for Work in BC in 2019 by BCBusiness magazine. BCBusiness publish an annual list of British Columbian cities, taking statistics on average earnings, earning growth, housing costs, spending on recreation, commute times, and more to formulate the rankings. Whistler came in at second place of the list of 46 cities. Whistler's access to recreation, short commute times, and job opportunities supported by the tourism economy were amongst its highest ranking factors by BCBusiness. Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the Whistler community is full of people passionate about this town, and who are proud to call Whistler home. This recognition from BCBusiness affirms Whistler's transformation and initiative to build a year-round destination, the continued focus on the community, and efforts to address areas are still a challenge here, like housing. Mayor Jack Crompton congratulated fellow Sea-to-Sky community Squamish for their number one place on the list. BCBusiness has the full story and rankings on their website bcbusiness.ca/bestcities.

## Best summer on record

Research from Tourism Whistler indicates that the summer of 2018 was Whistler's best on record in terms of room nights sold. Up three per cent over 2017, the success has been attributed primarily to increased shoulder season bookings including meetings such as the Union of British Columbia Municipalities annual convention in September.

The summer season, which spans from May 1 through October 31, saw a seven per cent decrease in day visitors from the previous summer. Whistler is fortunate to have achieved a successful year round tourism economy, something we could have only wished for two decades ago. Mayor Jack Crompton thanked the proactive work and programs developed by municipal staff, Tourism Whistler, Whistler Blackcomb, community accommodations and businesses to build business in the shoulder seasons. Mayor noted that it wasn't long ago that many restaurants closed during the shoulder seasons.

## Councillor Cathy Jewett

Councillor Cathy Jewett noted that the final three presentations of the Whistler Experience are coming up, and the event tomorrow night will be with Mayor Jack Crompton being interviewed by Feet Banks.

Councillor Cathy Jewett noted that the Mountains recently opened and the Peak Chair also opened on the weekend, she reminded the community to use courtesy and common sense while on the limited terrain.

## Councillor John Grills

Councillor John Grills added to Mayor Jack Crompton's comments regarding the Luge World Cup, and noted that it was 10 years ago, almost to the day, that Reid Watts went down the track for the first time. He congratulated the track staff for the great preparation of the track.

### **INFORMATION REPORTS**

Whistler Housing Authority's 2018 Employer Housing Needs Assessment File No. 7724 Report No. 18-139 Moved by Councillor R. Forsyth Seconded by Councillor C. Jewett

**That** Council receive the Whistler Housing Authority's 2018 Employer Housing Needs Assessment attached as Appendix A to Council Information Report No. 18-139.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

RZ1158 – 1330 Cloudburst Drive – RM65 Zone Gross Floor Area Adjustment – First and Second Readings ZAB No. 2214, 2018 File No. RZ1158 Report No. 18-140

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

**That** Council consider giving first and second readings to "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (1330 Cloudburst Drive) No. 2214, 2018";

**That** Council authorize staff to schedule a public hearing for "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (1330 Cloudburst Drive) No. 2214, 2018", and to advertise for same in the local newspaper;

**That** Council direct staff to advise the applicant that before consideration of adoption of "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (1330 Cloudburst Drive) No. 2214, 2018", the following matters shall be addressed to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Resort Experience:

- 1. Registration of a Section 219 covenant in favour of the Resort Municipality of Whistler to:
  - a. Establish a final supported design for the proposed development;
  - b. Ensure the proposed development is consistent with the Green Building Project Checklist and with the objectives and goals of the municipality's Green Building Policy G-23;
- Modification of Section 219 Rock Fall/Tree Preservation Covenant No. CA817861 to address rock fall hazard mitigation measures; and further.

**That** Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute any necessary legal documents for this application.

**CARRIED** 

SEC0028 – 4-2002 Bayshore Drive File No. SEC0028 Report No. 18-141 Moved by Councillor R. Forsyth Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

**That** Council grant an exemption in accordance with section 524 of the *Local Government Act* – "Requirements in Relation to Flood Plain Areas", to permit a building addition to an existing dwelling at 4-2002 Bayshore Drive as shown on the Architectural Plans prepared by Adrien Benech Construction Design, dated July 23, 2018, attached as Appendix "B" to Administrative Report to Council No. 18-141; and further

**That** Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a Section 219 covenant on the title of the subject property for this exemption, indemnifying the Municipality and attaching the geotechnical report prepared by Ground Up Geotechnical, dated October 11, 2018, confirming that the proposed building location and design are safe for the intended residential use.

> Community Resiliency Investment Program Grant Application File No. 8337.02 Report No. 18-144 File No. 854 Report No. 18-136

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

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

LLR128 -Conference Centre Extension of Hours for Whistler Pride and Ski Festival

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

Event File No. LLR128

Report No. 18-142

That Council authorize hours of liquor sale to 4:00 a.m. on the night of Saturday, January 26, 2019 at the Whistler Conference Centre for a special Whistler Pride and Ski Festival event.

CARRIED

**Emerald Dreams** Conservation Corporation Ltd. Director Resignation and Appointment File No. VAULT Report No. 18-143

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

That Council of the Municipality in open Meeting assembled, hereby resolves that the Municipality, as the sole Shareholder of Emerald Dreams Conservation Corporation Ltd., pass the consent resolutions of the sole Shareholder of Emerald Dreams Conservations Corporation Ltd., a copy of which is attached as Appendix "C" to this Administrative Report to Council No. 18-143, and that the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk execute and deliver the attached resolutions on behalf of the Municipality; and

That Council receive the resignation of Ken Roggeman as Director and Officer (Secretary) of Emerald Dreams Conservation Corporation Ltd attached as Appendix "A" to this Administrative Report to Council No. 18-143; and, further

**That** Council appoint Maureen Peatfield as Director of Emerald Dreams Conservation Corporation Ltd.

**CARRIED** 

## MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Whistler Bear **Advisory Committee**  Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That Council receive Regular Meeting Minutes of the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee of October 10, 2018.

Forest and Wildland Advisory Committee

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

That Council receive Regular Meeting Minutes of the Forest and Wildland

Advisory Committee of October 10, 2018.

**CARRIED** 

## **BYLAWS FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS**

Zoning Amendment Bylaw (1330 Cloudburst Drive) No. 2214, 2018 Moved by Councillor R. Forsyth Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (1330 Cloudburst Drive) No. 2214, 2018" be

given first and second readings.

CARRIED

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Appointment to Sea to Sky Regional Transit Commission

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

That Council appoint Councillor Jen Ford in place of Mayor Jack Crompton to

serve on the Sea-to-Sky Regional Transit Commission.

**CARRIED** 

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter of Congratulations File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor R. Forsyth

That correspondence from The Honourable Premier John Horgan

congratulating Mayor Jack Crompton and Councillors on being elected be

received.

**CARRIED** 

Foundational Principles of Responsible Conduct File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

**That** correspondence from The Honourable Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, regarding the Working Group's Foundational

Principles of Responsible Conduct be received.

CARRIED

2018 UBCM Convention Meeting File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor A. De Jong Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That correspondence The Honourable George Heyman, Minister of

Environment and Climate Change Strategy, regarding meeting with RMOW

representatives at the 2018 UBCM Convention be received.

Introduction to BC Cannabis Stores File No. 3009

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

**That** correspondence from R. Blain Lawson, General Manager and Chief Executive Officer, BC Liquor Distribution Branch, regarding an Introduction to BC Cannabis Stores for Mayor and Council be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

2077 Garibaldi Way File No. RZ1144 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor A. De Jong

**That** correspondence from Barb Mathews, Chair, Aspen Ridge Strata Corp., regarding RZ1144 – 2077 Garibaldi Way be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

2026 Olympics File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor J. Grills Seconded by Councillor C. Jewett

That correspondence from Graeme Brock regarding the 2026 Olympics be

received.

**CARRIED** 

Light Up Request: World Hemophilia

Day

File No. 3009.1

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

**That** correspondence from Marlene Ranz and Erica Laincy, World Federation of Hemophilia, requesting that on April 17, 2019, the Fitzsimmons Bridge be lit

red in support of World Hemophilia Day received and the bridge be lit.

**CARRIED** 

Proclamation
Request: BC Aware

Days 2019 File No. 3009.1 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** correspondence from Charles W. Wordsworth, ISACA BC AWARE Campaign 2019 requesting that January 28 to February 5, 2019 be proclaimed as "BC AWARE Days" be received and referred to staff and

proclaimed.

**CARRIED** 

Proclamation Request: Human Values Day 2019 File No. 3009.1 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor A. De Jong

**That** correspondence from Ron Naidoo, Advisory Team, Walk for Values, requesting that April 24, 2019 be proclaimed as "Human Values Day" be

received and referred to staff and proclaimed.

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

**That** the Regular Council Meeting of December 4, 2018 be terminated at 6:41 p.m.

	CARRIED
Mayor, J. Crompton	Municipal Clerk, B. Browning