



WHISTLER

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017, STARTING AT 5:30 P.M.**

**Franz Wilhelmsen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre
4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V0N 1B4**

PRESENT:

Mayor: N. Wilhelm-Morden

Councillors: S. Anderson, J. Crompton, J. Ford, J. Grills, C. Jewett and
S. Maxwell

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey
General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, N. McPhail
General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey
General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Jansen
Director of Finance, K. Roggeman
Manager of Communications, M. Comeau
Manager of Building Department, J. Mooney
Municipal Clerk, B. Browning
Senior Planner, M. Laidlaw
Planning Analyst, R. Licko
Council Coordinator, S. Termuende

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden recognized the attendance of Freeman Jim Godfey and Garry Watson.

Agenda

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor J. Grills
Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That Council adopt the Regular Council Agenda of November 7, 2017 as amended to remove from Other Business, the Appointments of a Director and Alternate Director to the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board.

CARRIED

Minutes

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor S. Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

That Council adopt the Regular Council Minutes of October 17, 2017.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Introduction of
Councillor Cathy Jewett

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden gave a presentation introducing Councillor Cathy Jewett.

On behalf of Council and municipal staff, Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden welcomed Cathy Jewett to her first Council Meeting as a Resort Municipality of Whistler Councillor. Earlier today, Councillor-Elect Cathy Jewett took the Oath of Office to officially hold the office of Councillor.

Councillor Jewett has affirmed that she is qualified to hold the position to which she has been elected, that she will faithfully perform the duties of her office, and that she will not allow private interests to influence her conduct in public matters.

Cathy has been actively involved in Whistler for over 30 years and Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that she had no doubt that Councillor Jewett will work tirelessly to perform the duties of office and represent the best interests of the community.

Councillor Jewett has demonstrated strong leadership and community service, volunteering on a number of Committees and Boards including:

- a founding member of the Association of Whistler Area Residents for the Environment (AWARE);
- the current Chair of Communities that Care Whistler and member for 14 years;
- a member of the Community Foundation of Whistler Youth and Scholarship Committees for six years;
- the Chair of the Sea to Sky Parents Advisory Group for five years;
- a member of the B.C. Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils Board of Directors;
- a Docent with the Audain Art Museum; and
- Chief of Patrol Ladies Alpine Venue for the Vancouver Organizing Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games from 2009 to 2010.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that Cathy's passion for the community and positive energy are a welcome addition to Council and that she looked forward to having her as part of the team that will serve the community together in the final year of the Council's term.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden invited Councillor Jewett to take her seat at the Council table.

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Garry Watson
2317 Boulder Ridge
Re: MOU and Housing

Garry Watson read from prepared notes regarding the Mayor's Task Force on Residential Housing, and spoke to Steve Bayly's letter to Council regarding the same. Garry Watson was concerned about development priorities within the Memorandum of Understanding entered into by the RMOW with the Province of British Columbia, Whistler Blackcomb, Lil'wat Nation and the Squamish Nation.

Garry Watson asked if Council will instruct its staff to suspend further new development opportunities until solutions are found and implemented to address the current housing crisis.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that the two topics are separate and apart. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that the first issue of Resident Housing is a serious matter. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden noted that the RMOW struck up the Mayor's Task Force last year and that this year's Community Forum occurred on November 2, 2017. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden identified that the recommendations from the Community Forum will be going back to the Mayor's Task Force and that further implementation will start in January. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that she has every expectation that the RMOW will exceed the 1,000 beds needed estimate. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that the RMOW is very focused on implementing the recommendations of the Mayor's Task Force on Resident Housing.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that the Memorandum of Understanding is separate and apart from Mr. Watson's housing question. She stated that the Memorandum of Understanding recognizes that there are issues of mutual concern between ourselves, the First Nations, Whistler Blackcomb and the Province and that all of those parties have come to the table to discuss the items that are set out in the Memorandum of Understanding. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden clarified that the Memorandum of Understanding does not determine implementation for development schemes but rather that discussion needs to take place with the other parties involved. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that an additional requirement to move forward is the RMOW's Official Community Plan which has been ongoing review since 2013.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that she appreciated Mr. Watson's concerns that further development exasperates concerns of resident restricted housing.

Garry Watson
2317 Boulder Ridge
Re: Umbrella Agreement

Garry Watson also sought clarification as to the conclusions of the confidential Umbrella Agreement negotiated by the First Nations, the Province and Whistler Blackcomb, as referenced in the Chief Administrative Officer's Administrative Report to Council and in Clause "D" – Recitals to the Memorandum of Understanding.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that the RMOW does not know the terms of the Umbrella Agreement and stated that there may be a misstatement here. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden clarified that the RMOW applauds the fact that the Province, the First Nations and Whistler Blackcomb have entered into a Master Development Agreement which has facilitated the approval of Master Development plans for the two mountains for the next 60 years. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that the RMOW does need to know some of the terms of the Umbrella Agreement in order to move forward with carrying out the RMOW's commitments under the Memorandum of Understanding and informed Mr. Watson that the RMOW has asked for those terms to be disclosed. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that this request is currently under consideration by the involved parties.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Remembrance Day Service Information Update

Brian Buchholz, Chair of the Whistler Remembrance Committee, gave a presentation regarding the program and order of service for the Whistler Remembrance Day Service on November 11, 2017.

Dedication of the New Cenotaph

Anne Townley, Cenotaph Relocation Committee, gave a presentation regarding the dedication service for the new Cenotaph on November 10, 2017.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor's Report

Community Forum Recap

Almost 300 community members attended the Whistler Community Forum on November 2, 2017, at the Whistler Conference Centre. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden thanked every person who came out to participate. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden stated that the high turnout and engaged conversations were a tribute to the type of caring and dedicated community in Whistler.

Some of the topics of discussion included top Council and community priorities such as housing, transportation, the environment and updating the RMOW's Official Community Plan.

The Community Forum presentations were available by live stream on Facebook and the link to the video can be accessed at whistler.ca/communityforum.

Remembrance Day Ceremony

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden thanked the Whistler Remembrance Day Committee and RMOW staff for all of their efforts to relocate the Cenotaph to Whistler Olympic Plaza.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden encouraged everyone to attend the Remembrance Day Ceremony this Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at Whistler Olympic Plaza, the new home of the Cenotaph in Whistler.

Current Council Committee Opportunities

Applications are being accepted for volunteer Trustee positions on the Whistler Public Library Board until November 17, 2017 at 4 p.m.

The Whistler Bear Advisory Committee is also accepting applications until November 16, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. for one volunteer Member-at-Large position.

Details are available at whistler.ca/committees.

Winter Parking Regulations Reminder

Winter parking regulations are now in effect until March 31, 2018. Please help RMOW Bylaw Services keep roads clear and parking lots maintained. Parking is not permitted:

- on the even side of the street, Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (excluding holidays);
- on the odd side of the street year round; and
- overnight in the day lots and sleeping or camping in vehicles is not permitted year-round.

For more information, visit whistler.ca/winterparking.

Sister City Exchange Recap

Ten Whistler students have returned from Whistler's sister city Karuizawa in Japan where they visited for six days. The students had a full itinerary for their visit. Some of the highlights included:

- meeting Mayor Fujimaki;
- touring Matsumoto Castle;
- seeing wild monkeys;
- taking part in a tea ceremony;
- experiencing Japanese culture; and
- staying with host families who take part in the Whistler exchange.

The municipality contributed towards each student's transportation. Next spring, students from Karuizawa will visit Whistler.

Renters' Rights Workshop

A workshop about renters' rights will be held tomorrow, November 8 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Whistler Public Library. The Tenant Resource and Advisory Group will present about tenants' rights and responsibilities. This workshop will be put on by the Whistler Community Services Society and the Whistler Housing Authority. Everyone is welcome to attend this Connect Whistler Week event.

Visit whistler.ca/events for more information about the Connect Whistler Week programming.

Pumpkin Drop

Councillor Jen Ford thanked everyone who attended the Annual Pumpkin Drop at Fire Hall 3 on Saturday, November 4, 2017. Councillor Ford stated that lots of pumpkins were tossed out the window and that it was a great event.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Planning and Building
Departments' Application
Activity Report – 2017
Third Quarter
File No. 7076.01
Report No. 17-116

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

That Council receive Information Report to Council No.17-116 summarizing the Planning Department and Building Department application activity for the third quarter of 2017.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

DVP1137 –
2360 Gondola Way
Setback Variances
File No. DVP1137
Report No. 17.117

Moved by Councillor J. Ford
Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP1137 for the existing and proposed development located at 2360 Gondola Way to:

1. Vary the south setback from 7.6 metres to 5.4 metres to accommodate the existing roof and an addition to the existing detached dwelling;
2. Vary the west setback from 7.6 metres to 6.29 metres to accommodate an existing deck and proposed deck expansion;
3. Vary the north side setback from 3.0 metres to 2.03 metres for a hot tub.

All as shown on architectural plans A-01, A-03, A-04 prepared by Progressive Design Limited and dated May 1, 2017 (A-03 and A-04) and May 9, 2017 (A-01) attached as Appendix "B" to Administrative Report to Council No. 17-117; subject to completion of the following matters to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Resort Experience:

1. Discharge of the restrictive covenant registered on title as GD56142; and further,

That Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to discharge the referenced covenant.

CARRIED

Council Travel
and Expense
Reimbursement
Policy
File No. A-36
Report No. 17-118

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That Council rescind Council Policy A-10: Expenses Policy and replace it with Council Policy A-36: Council Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy.

CARRIED

Funding for Whistler
Community Services
Society Building
Construction at
Nesters Waste
Facility
File No. 665
Report No. 17-119

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

That Council direct staff to enter into an agreement for the Resort Municipality of Whistler to loan Whistler Community Services Society a maximum of one million dollars for a term of thirty years for the purposes of constructing 10,000 square foot timber panel (CLT) building including WCSS operation of a retail thrift store available to the public for drop-off items for resale, social service including outreach, family support programs, food bank services with food waste reduction programs;

That the loan bear annual interest at the current ten year indicative market rate as posted by the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia;

That the annual interest rate be reset every five years based on the ten year indicative market rate posted by Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia at that time; and further,

That the current Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw for the year be amended to include a disbursement(s) up to the maximum amount of the loan.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Emergency Planning
Committee

Moved by Councillor J. Ford
Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Emergency Planning Committee of July 13, 2017.

CARRIED

Whistler Bear Advisory
Committee

Moved by Councillor S. Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee of September 13, 2017.

CARRIED

Forest and Wildland
Advisory Committee

Moved by Councillor J. Grills
Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Forest and Wildland Advisory Committee of September 13, 2017.

CARRIED

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

Municipal Ticket
Information System
Amendment Bylaw
No. 2164, 2017

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That "Municipal Ticket Information System Amendment Bylaw No. 2164, 2017" be adopted.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Squamish-Lillooet
Regional District
Board Appointments

This item was removed from the Agenda.

Deputy Municipal
Clerk Signing
Authority

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

That Council appoint Wendy Faris as Deputy Municipal Clerk for the purposes of signing Bylaws, Agendas, Minutes and other Meeting-related documents.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Application # 256-17 /
Route S1: Vancouver –
Pemberton/Mt. Currie
File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor J. Ford
Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That correspondence from the Village of Pemberton Mayor Mike Richman, dated October 5, 2017, regarding Greyhound's Application No. 256-17, Route S1: Vancouver to Pemberton and Mt. Currie to the B.C. Passenger Transportation Board be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

World Diabetes Day
Light Up Request
File No. 3009.01

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

That correspondence from Kristie McRae, Coordinator, Community Partnerships, Diabetes Canada, dated October 13, 2017, requesting that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge, the Town Plaza Gazebo and the Village Gate Inuksuk be lit up blue on November 14, 2017 in support of World Diabetes Day be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Traffic Lights at Nordic
Estates and Hwy 99,
Parking, Transit, Traffic
and Housing
File No. 7406

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That correspondence from Alan Sailer, dated October 13, 2017, regarding the installation of traffic lights at Highway 99 and Nordic Estates and parking, transit and traffic in Whistler and expressing support for RMOW's service in addressing housing in Whistler be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Commuter Rail
Transit
File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor C. Jewett
Seconded by Councillor John Grills

That correspondence from the Gwyer Webber, dated October 16, 2017, regarding commuter rail transit in Whistler be received.

CARRIED

Whistler Visitors
File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That correspondence from Kulpreet Singh, dated October 19, 2017, regarding Whistler visitors be received.

CARRIED

Garbage Disposal
File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That correspondence from Emily Sullivan, dated October 19, 2017, requesting the addition of public garbage huts throughout Whistler for those who cannot easily access the Transfer Stations be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Whistler Naturalists
Society CEP
Letter of Thanks
File No. 3004

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

That correspondence from Kristina Swerhun and Bob Brett on behalf of the Whistler Naturalists Society, received October 23, 2017, expressing thanks to Mayor and Council for CEP funding be received.

CARRIED

Acknowledgment of
Brian Buchholz
and Whistler
Remembrance
Committee
File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That correspondence from Lesley Clark, President of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 201, dated October 19, 2017, acknowledging Brian Buchholz and the Whistler Remembrance Committee for the years of dedicated service to planning the annual Remembrance Day Service in Whistler and for their efforts in making the cenotaph more accessible to the public be received.

CARRIED

A Day for Our Common
Future Proclamation
Request and Support for
UNESCO World Heritage
Site Applications
File No. 3009.1

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

That correspondence from Laurie Gourlay, Interim Director, Salish Sea Trust, and President of the Vancouver Island and Coast Conservation Society, dated October 27, 2017, requesting Council proclaim December 11, 2017 as "A Day for Our Common Future" in Whistler, B.C., and requesting support for the 2017 Canadian UNESCO World Heritage Site Applications be received and the proclamation be made as requested.

CARRIED

Emerald Estates
Access to
Crown Land
File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor S. Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

That correspondence from David and Stephanie Adanac, dated October 31, 2017, regarding public trail access to Crown land behind the Emerald Estates subdivision be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Emerald Estates
Access from
Highway 99
File No. 7002.2

Moved by Councillor S. Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

That correspondence from David and Stephanie Adanac, dated October 31, 2017, regarding safe automobile and pedestrian access to the Emerald Estates subdivision from Highway 99 be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Emerald Estates
Access to
Crown Land and
Highway 99 Safety
File No. 3009
and 7002.2

Moved by Councillor S. Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

That correspondence from the residents of Emerald Estates, dated October 31, 2017, regarding public access to Crown land from Emerald Estates and regarding Highway 99 safety concerns at the Emerald Estates entrance be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Review of the Mayor's
Task Force on Resident
Housing Report
File No. 3009

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

That correspondence from Steve Bayly, dated October 31, 2017, regarding the Mayor's Task Force on Resident Housing Report and the Report's associated recommendations be received and referred to staff, the Mayor's Task Force on Resident Housing and the Whistler Housing Authority Board.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton

That Council adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of November 7, 2017 at 6:41 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, N. Wilhelm-Morden

Municipal Clerk, B. Browning