



WHISTLER

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017, STARTING AT 5:30 P.M.**

**In the Franz Wilhelmssen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre – Formerly
Millennium Place
4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V0N 1B4**

PRESENT:

Mayor: N. Wilhelm-Morden

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

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey
General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey
General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, N. McPhail
General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Jansen
Director of Planning, Mike Kirkegaard
Municipal Clerk, B. Browning
Manager of Communications, M. Comeau
Fire Chief, G. Playfair
Manager of Environmental Stewardship, H. Beresford
Senior Planner, M. Laidlaw
Planner, A. Antonelli
Transportation Demand Management Coordinator, E. DalSanto
Emergency Program Coordinator, E. Marriner
FireSmart Coordinator, S. Rogers
Council Coordinator, S. Termuende

Whistler Bear Advisory Committee Member, S. Dolson

Agenda

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

That Council adopt the Regular Council agenda of September 19, 2017 as amended to move Sylvia Dolson's recognition to the first Presentation/Delegation.

CARRIED

Minutes

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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

That Council adopt the Regular Council minutes of September 5, 2017.

CARRIED

Public Hearing
Minutes of "Zoning
Amendment Bylaw
(Tourist
Accommodation Uses
in RTA Zones)
No. 2161, 2017"

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

That Council adopt the Public Hearing Minutes of "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Tourist Accommodation Uses in RTA Zones) No. 2161, 2017" of September 5, 2017.

CARRIED

Public Hearing
Minutes of "Zoning
Amendment Bylaw
(Solid Waste Facilities)
No. 2154, 2017"

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

That Council adopt the Public Hearing Minutes of "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Solid Waste Facilities) No. 2154, 2017" of September 5, 2017.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Question by
John Sinclair
Re: Parking Income
and Operations

John Sinclair -1500 Spring Creek Drive, Whistler

Mr. Sinclair asked if anyone in Whistler currently receives complementary or subsidized parking through the RMOW either directly or indirectly. Mr. Sinclair sought clarification regarding the RMOW parking revenue and revenue allocation. Mr. Sinclair also asked Council and staff to clarify the percentage rate of parking revenue going into transit upgrades. Mr. Sinclair asked who owns the physical parking meters in the RMOW parking lots.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm Morden referred Mr. Sinclair's questions to the General Manager of Infrastructure Services James Hallisey.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm Morden and the Chief Administrative Officer Mike Furey responded to Mr. Sinclair stating that parking is available to the Mayor, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Citizen of the Year, and some on call Protective Services staff.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Sylvia Dolson
Recognition

A presentation was given by Mayor Nancy Wilhem-Morden honouring Sylvia Dolson's years of service on the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee.

Summer
Transportation
Initiative Results

A presentation was given by General Manager of Infrastructure Services James Hallisey and Consulting Engineer from Drdul Community Transportation Planning Richard Drdul, on the Transportation Action Group (TAG) and the Summer 2017 Transportation Initiative Results.

FireSmart,
2017 Wildfire Season
in Review and Fuel
Thinning Projects

A presentation was given by the Manager of Environmental Stewardship Heather Beresford, FireSmart Coordinator Scott Rogers, Emergency Program Coordinator Erin Marriner and Fire Chief Geoff Playfair on Fuel Thinning Projects, FireSmart achievements and the 2017 Wildfire Season.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor's Report

Three RMOW staff have received Perfect "10"s as part of the Whistler Chamber of Commerce's Secret Shopper Program. One customer service staff from Meadow Park Sports Centre and two Whistler Public Library staff were recognized in term two of the Chamber's program. The Mayor congratulated Julie Michel, Recreation Facility Clerk, Julie Burrows, Youth Services Specialist and Kaley O'Brien, Public Services Specialist, for providing outstanding customer service to the community. The Mayor thanked all staff for contributing to the organization's goal of achieving excellence in customer service. The Chamber's Secret Shopper Program is available to all member companies and organizations who wish to elevate their service level, by providing feedback on the Secret Shopper experience.

Whistler was named the number one favorite ski resort in the world at the Conde Nast Traveller Reader's Travel Awards. The award was presented to Tourism Whistler's UK Public Relations Representative in London on September 4, 2017. This recognition reflects the hard work that everyone has contributed towards making Whistler an incredible place to visit all year around.

Whistler is also shortlisted for the 2017 World Snow Awards.

Last week Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden and CAO Mike Furey met Andrew Weaver, Leader of the Green Party of British Columbia. The Mayor also met with the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, Hon. Claire Trevena and with the Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture, Hon. Lisa Beare and Mayor Nancy Wilhlem-Mornden is looking forward to good results arising from those meetings.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden and Council will be attending the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention next week and they are looking forward to a productive week.

Whistler will be celebrating BC Culture Days September 29 to October 1, 2017 with a variety of events and activities around the community. Culture Days is a collaborative, Canada-wide volunteer movement to increase involvement in the arts and cultural life of communities. The following partners will be participating in Whistler's Culture Days:

- the Audain Art Museum;
- Arts Whistler;
- the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre;
- the Whistler Museum; and
- the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy the Cultural Connector, which includes 57 public art installations and dozens of

natural heritage information panels located throughout the community. The RMOW will be updating the heritage information panels in the coming months in partnership with the Whistler Naturalists Society. A variety of local artists will be producing live art along the Village portion of the Cultural Connector during Culture Days. The RMOW is also investing in a new public art mural located on the Creekside underpass, by artist Jessa Gilbert. For more information and a full listing of events, visit artswhistler.com/culturedays.

Annual maintenance at Meadow Park Sports Centre is almost complete. The fitness centre and studio are both open and the pool is scheduled to reopen on Saturday, September 23, 2017. RMOW staff would like to thank the public for their patience while this work was completed.

Staff will plan another community chipping day for mid-October if weather is still conducive to homeowners doing work around their properties. Feedback has been positive with the second community chipping day this year. Fuel thinning will begin above Alpine Meadows and the Whistler Cemetery in October. Ground brush and debris will be removed, branches pruned and specific trees removed, but larger coniferous trees and deciduous trees will remain. This reduces the ability of fire to spread from the forest into the community and vice versa, while maintaining a healthy forest ecosystem.

Hikers and bikers should be aware that the work near the Whistler Cemetery borders the Whip Me Snip Me and Rainbow hiking trails and the Alpine Meadows site borders the Rick's Roost trail to the first switchback and 19 Mile Creek. Wildfire prevention is a shared responsibility. Visit whistler.ca/firesmart to find out how private property owners can take simple steps to protect their properties and Whistler.

This Sunday, September 24, 2017 is the 37th annual BC Rivers Day, an annual celebration to raise awareness about and appreciation for B.C.'s waterways. Whistler is fortunate to have such pristine waterways, from Fitzsimmons Creek to the River of Golden Dreams and the Cheakamus River. Waterways are vital components of our natural environment and our community's mountain character. Do your part to protect them by keeping rivers, shorelines and beach areas clean and free of litter and waste. To celebrate BC Rivers Day get out on the water and enjoy a canoe or kayak rental or guided tour by local tour operators. Local businesses offering discounts on September 24, 2017 include Backroads Whistler, Canadian Wilderness Adventures and Whistler Eco Tours.

The 2017 Civic Service Awards will be held Tuesday, November 21, 2017. Active members of an RMOW Committee in a volunteer or unpaid role may be nominated by municipal staff, Committee or Board members for an award until October 6, 2017. These awards recognize individuals that bring distinction to themselves and to the RMOW in volunteer roles through Committees and Boards of Council. Details are available at whistler.ca/civicserviceawards.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

DVP1115 –
9225 Emerald Drive
Report No. 17-054
File No. DVP1115

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

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit 1115 for the proposed development located at 9225 Emerald Drive to vary the building setbacks as follows:

a) Vary the rear parcel line setback from 10.0 metres to 1.6 metres, as shown on the Site Plan, dated August 24, 2017, prepared by Opus, attached as Appendix “B” to Administrative Report No. 17-054.

CARRIED

Emergency Planning
Committee Terms of
Reference Amendment
Report No. 17-099
File No. 850

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

That Council approve the Emergency Planning Committee Updated Terms of Reference, attached as Appendix “A” to Administrative Report to Council No. 17-099.

CARRIED

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

Solid Waste
Bylaw No. 2139,
2017

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

That “Solid Waste Bylaw No. 2139, 2017” be adopted.

CARRIED

Land Use Procedures
and Fees
Amendment Bylaw
(Solid Waste Storage
and Separation
Facilities) No. 2155,
2017

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

That “Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw (Solid Waste Storage and Separation Facilities) No. 2155, 2017” be adopted.

CARRIED

Zoning Amendment
Bylaw (Solid Waste
Facilities) No. 2154,
2017

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

That “Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Solid Waste Facilities) No. 2154, 2017” be adopted.

CARRIED

Zoning Amendment
Bylaw
(Tourist
Accommodation
Uses in RTA Zones)
No. 2161, 2017

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

That "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Tourist Accommodation
Uses in RTA Zones) No. 2161, 2017" be adopted.

CARRIED

Other Business

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There were no items of Other Business.

CORRESPONDENCE

Retail Space
Vacancy
Tax Suggestion
File No. 3009

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

That correspondence from Karen Thomson, dated August 30, 2017, suggesting
implementing a vacancy tax on retail spaces left empty for longer than three
months to keep rents down be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Installation of
Speedbump
File No. 7002

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

That correspondence from Phil Mitchell, dated August 30, 2017, requesting a
third speedbump be installed between the two entrances to Matterhorn Drive be
received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Garbage Disposal
and Pickup
File No. 3009

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

That correspondence from Stephanie McColm, dated August 30, 2017,
requesting the addition of public garbage buildings throughout Whistler for those
who cannot easily access the Transfer Station be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Water Use
Bylaw
File No. 220

Moved by Councillor J. Ford
Seconded by Councillor J. Cromton

That correspondence from Bob and Sue Adams, dated August 31, 2017,
regarding feedback on the proposed 2018 Water Use Bylaw be received and
referred to staff.

CARRIED

Airport Privatization
File No. 3009

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

That correspondence from National Airlines Council of Canada, dated August
31, 2017, requesting support to oppose airport privatization across Canada be
received.

CARRIED

Green Communities
Committee –
Congratulations on
Achieving Carbon
Neutrality
File No. 2014

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

That correspondence from the Green Communities Committee, dated September 1, 2017, congratulating the Resort Municipality of Whistler for achieving Corporate Carbon Neutrality for the 2016 reporting year be received.

CARRIED

Housing Costs and
Labour Shortages
File No. 3009

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

That correspondence from Debbie Yates, dated September 5, 2017, regarding housing costs and labour shortages in Whistler be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

City of Abbotsford
Support for 2017
UBCM Resolution
File No. 2014

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

That correspondence from the City of Abbotsford, dated September 5, 2017, requesting support for their Prevention of the Opioid Crisis resolution at the 2017 UBCM Convention be received.

CARRIED

Climate Leadership
Institute
File No. 2014

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

That correspondence from the BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council, dated September 6, 2017, regarding the upcoming Climate Leadership Institute be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton

That Council adjourn the September 19, 2017 Council meeting at 7:02 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, N. Wilhem-Morden

Municipal Clerk, B. Browning