

# WHISTLER

### MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2017, STARTING AT 5:30 P.M.

In the Franz Wilhelmsen 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 and J. Grills

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey

General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey

Acting General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, K. Ing

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Jansen

Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard

Director of Finance, K. Roggeman

Director of Corporate, Economic and Environmental Services, T. Battiston

Director of Human Resources, D. Wood

Manager of Communications, M. Comeau

Municipal Clerk, B. Browning

Senior Planner, M. Laidlaw

Transportation Demand Management Coordinator, E. DalSanto

Civil Engineering Technologist, B. Lutke

Planner, F. Savage

Planner, A. Antonelli

Public Services Librarian, N. White

Festival, Events and Animation Supervisor, C. Vandeberg

Heavy Duty Technician, R. Thuma

Electrician, D. Ross

Human Resources Coordinator, L. Rickli

Planning Secretary, K. Olineck

Recording Secretary, M. Kish

**ABSENT:** Councillors A. Janyk and S. Maxwell

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council agenda of July 18, 2017 with an amendment to remove the Whistler 2020 Development Corporation Ltd. update presentation from the agenda.

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

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

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council minutes of July 4, 2017 and the Committee of the Whole minutes of June 20, 2017.

**CARRIED** 

#### PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Tim Lovell - 4624 Montebello Place, Whistler

Mr. Lovell commented that the 12 hour per day commercial bus and coach parking established since July 1, 2017 and located within 40 feet of the residential neighbourhood of Montebello Phase 1 residences, has destroyed the outdoor enjoyment of their gardens and patios and raises serious problems relating to health, safety, noise, traffic and environmental issues. Mr. Lovell explained that these issues were outlined to two Council members earlier in the day. Mr. Lovell asked what prior consultation and environmental impact studies took place before making this decision and what plans will be considered to rectify the situation.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that there was extensive public consultation leading up to the implementation of the transportation resolutions on July 1, 2017. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden assured that bus parking along Blackcomb Way in front of Montebello is temporary and staff are considering alternative solutions for bus parking and that it will take place in the near future.

Beau Craig, Whistler Resort Management representing Montebello 2 Strata Corporation LMS 4119

Mr. Craig asked what consultation was done prior to this work happening relating to the parking situation in front of Montebello residences specifically with regards to safety concerns. Mr. Craig informed that the RCMP have already received resident complaints regarding safety concerns over the last couple of years with people pulling out of Montebello. Having buses parked there significantly increases the possibility for accidents occurring on Blackcomb Way. Mr. Craig informed that the environmental issues are a concern with buses being parked 12 hours a day opposite a fish and wildlife reserve. Mr. Craig asked that if it is a temporary arrangement how long will it be until the changes take place.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that she is not aware as to how long it will take only that changes will be made. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that the consultation process on the environmental impact was considerable and extensive. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that the situation will be considered as quickly as possible.

#### PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Employee Recognition Week Presentations

A presentation was given by Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden and Chief Administrative Officer Mike Furey for Employee Recognition Week.

## Dave Brownlie Recognition

A presentation was given by Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden and Chief Administrative Officer Mike Furey recognizing Dave Brownlie for his contributions to the Whistler community.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden on behalf of the Resort Municipality of Whistler recognized Dave Brownlie for his years of service in Whistler.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that Dave began his tenure with Blackcomb Skiing Enterprises Ltd. in 1989 as the Director of Finance and most recently led Whistler Blackcomb as Chief Operating Officer as a division of Vail Resorts after his previous appointments to Chief Executive Officer of Whistler Blackcomb in 2012, President in 2007 and Senior Vice-President of Finance in 1997. Among his many notable accomplishments, Dave:

- successfully co-led the operational integration of Whistler and Blackcomb Mountains to become Whistler Blackcomb in 1997;
- played a key role in the development of the PEAK 2 PEAK Gondola;
- o oversaw the successful public offering of Whistler Blackcomb Holding Inc. on the Toronto Stock Exchange in 2010; and
- launched the visionary \$345 million Whistler Blackcomb renaissance Project.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that Dave's commitment to community planning and partnership with the municipality included:

- o work on the Economic Partnership Initiative committee;
- o the Mayor's Task Force on Resident Housing; and
- many other ongoing initiatives that have played a critical role in many aspects of Whistler's overall success as a community.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden mentioned that during Dave's leadership at Whistler Blackcomb, the Whistler Blackcomb Foundation has been an enormous contributor to many community organizations and projects. The Foundation has also made contributions to some recent municipal projects such as the library sundeck and the skate park rejuvenation. In addition, Dave has been an active member of Tourism Whistler's Board of Directors for 20 years.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal awarded to Dave reflects the remarkable contributions and exemplary commitment he has made to this community.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked him for his vision, commitment and outstanding contributions, commenting that he leaves a legacy of a truly great mountain resort unlike any other.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden congratulated him on his retirement after 28 years with Whistler Blackcomb and wished him the very best in his well-deserved retirement.

Chief Administrative Officer Mike Furey commented that he has worked with Dave over the last eight years, noting that he has had a challenging role serving a board of directors and company, as well as a very attentive community that was integrated into his company.

Mike Furey commented that he always felt Dave balanced acknowledgment of his community when making decisions and plans for the Resort and noted that the RMOW took up a lot of his time having him attend meetings and having him sit on task forces and committees. Mike Furey noted that he brought great informed opinions and made decisions while always keeping the community perspective in mind when preparing future plans.

Mike Furey commented that Dave should be proud of his work with First Nations over the last seven years, which laid the ground work for building relationships with the Lil'wat and Squamish First Nations, commenting that he hoped the RMOW could carry on the legacy and acknowledging we have a lot more to do.

Mike Furey thanked and recognized Dave and his family for their commitment to the community over the years.

At 6:00 p.m. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden recessed the meeting for the Public Hearing, "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Golf Course) No. 2157, 2017".

At 6:02 p.m. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reconvened the meeting.

Route 1 Valley Connector Review from BC Transit A presentation was given by Levi Megenbir, Senior Transit Planner, BC Transit regarding the Route 1 Valley Connector Review from BC Transit.

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

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden introduced and welcomed Brooke Browning as the new Municipal Clerk for the RMOW. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that Ms. Browning was born and bred in Whistler and trained outside of Whistler and returned to join the RMOW.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that there was a Celebration of Life held on July 16, 2017 in loving memory of their late colleague Andrée Janyk. Over 800 of Andrées's friends and family honored her at the Fairmont Chateau Whistler on Sunday. Family members and friends remembered her through touching accounts of her life and those who attended were inspired by the many facets of her life, stories and accomplishments that were shared. It was a very moving celebration in recognition of an amazing life. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked the Fairmont Whistler Hotel and General Manager Norm Mastalir for their generous hosting of the event and making this celebration memorable for all those who attended. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that there will be a report later in the meeting regarding the by-election that will take place to the fill the vacancy at the Council table.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden updated that during the Closed Council meeting held earlier today, appointments were made to the Board of Variance. This board is a quasi-judicial body independent from Council that reviews appeals for minor variances to Whistler's Zoning Bylaw. The following people have been appointed to the Board of Variance:

- o Jim Charters; and
- David Girard.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked all the volunteers that participate on Council committees and boards and to those who apply to fill positions.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that forest fires in other parts of B.C. have caused smoke to move into the Whistler area. The Ministry of Environment monitors Air Quality in Whistler from Meadow Park Sport Centre. Whistler's Air Quality Health Index was at 3–a low health risk— earlier today.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that wildfires are one of the greatest threats to Whistler's safety. The fire danger rating is currently Extreme, which means:

- o no fires of any kind are permitted within Whistler; and
- smoking in parks or trails, fireworks and any other activity that could cause a spark is prohibited.

Whistler Fire and Rescue Service staff are patrolling key locations around the community that are known for illegal campfires. The RMOW will be contributing \$10,000 towards the Canadian Red Cross to show support for those communities experiencing these devastating fires. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that five fire fighters from the Whistler Fire Rescue Service and two RCMP officers have been offered to support the interior communities' responses to the wildfires in the region. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that most wildfires are caused by human carelessness and that the public's role is crucial to preventing wildfires in our community. Everyone is asked to:

- report all fires;
- follow all fire restrictions:
- ensure you have valid homeowner or tenant insurance;
- conserve water to ensure that we have an adequate supply in the event of a fire emergency; and
- prepare your own emergency kits and family emergency plans.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that more information about the RMOW's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and other fire-related information is available at whistler.ca/fire. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that increasing fines for illegal fires is being considered and that there will be more information to come.

A citizenship ceremony will be held tomorrow, July 19, 2017 at 11:45 a.m. at Whistler Olympic Plaza. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked the Ministry of Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada for selecting Whistler as a venue for this ceremony. The public is invited to the ceremony to help welcome new citizens into this incredible country and community we are so privileged to call home. Canadian dignitaries will be attending to facilitate the oath of citizenship and to present certificates.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that there has been a video streaming service in place for many years to allow the public to watch live Council meetings as well as archived Council meetings, which is an important public service. Some users have had issues with using the service. In response to the issues, RMOW's IT department has entered into an agreement with a new service provider and so far the RMOW believes the issues have been resolved and the service is running smoothly. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden encouraged everyone to use the service and asked that users let the RMOW know if they have any feedback.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that this summer sees the seventh season of "Whistler Presents" free outdoor concert series at Whistler Olympic Plaza in August and September. The series will feature an eclectic mix of genres including Alan Doyle, Charles Bradley and His Extraordinaires and Jann Arden. Free transit will be offered on weekends and holidays during the summer until September 4, 2017. The concerts build on the great "Whistler Presents" summer program to date including the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra on the Canada Day weekend and the ongoing street entertainment program. All investments to ensuring there is always something happening in Whistler in the summer. More information is available at whistler.ca/whistlerpresents.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that the RMOW introduced a bear alert feature on the municipal website. The new feature provides:

- o chronological updates on bear activity;
- time-sensitive recommendations for residents and visitors to avoid human-bear conflict essential to protecting bears; and
- the response of the provincial Conservation Officer Service, RMOW and other partners.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that 50 black bears reside in Whistler and it is a shared responsibility to keep them safe. You can learn more at whistler.ca/bearalert.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that parking lot availability has improved with the new Peak-Season user-pay regulations in Day Lots 4 and 5. Resident-employee parking passes are still available from Municipal Hall for both of these lots for \$30 per month. Pay parking in the Day Lots starts at 8 a.m., but the RMOW is making a change so that parking can be purchased from the machines as early as 5 a.m. or with the Pay by Phone parking app. Oversize vehicles are allowed in Day Lot 3 East only. This area of Day Lot 3 is only for oversize vehicles. Parking is permitted for a maximum of 24 hours in all Day Lots, however sleeping or camping in vehicles is not.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden informed that the Western Toad Migration has begun in Lost Lake Park and there has been a callout for volunteers. For more information go to whistler.ca.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Whistler Blackcomb Temporary Use Area Events During Crankworx Report No. 17-083 File No. LLR128 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** Council approve a Temporary Use Area (TUA) liquor licensed event for more than 500 people to be held at the Blackcomb Mountain Tube Park on Thursday, August 17, 2017; and,

That Council approve a Temporary Use Area (TUA) liquor licensed event for more than 500 people to be held at the Whistler Mountain Bike Park Boneyard on Saturday, August 19, 2017; and further,

**That** Council approve a Temporary Use Area (TUA) liquor licensed event for more than 500 people to be held at the Whistler Mountain Bike Park Boneyard on Sunday, August 20, 2017.

**CARRIED** 

DVP1133 – 2765 Cheakamus Way Setback Variance Report No. 17-084 File No. DVP1133 Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

**That** Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP1133 for the existing development at 2765 Cheakamus Way to vary the front setback from 7.6 metres to 6.6 metres for four existing entry portico support posts as shown in the Survey Plan H-410 prepared by Hermon, Bunbury, and Oke dated 1995 stamped "Resort Municipality of Whistler Received Sep 25, 1995" and attached to Administrative Report 17-084 as Appendix B.

CARRIED

Whistler Transit System Route 1 Valley Connector Review Report No. 17-085 File No. 534 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** Council receive the Whistler Transit System 1-Valley Connector Review, Service Discussion Document, Final Draft July 2017 attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 17-085; and,

**That** Council direct staff and the Transit Management Advisory Committee to implement service Option 1 as recommended by BC Transit in Whistler Transit System 1-Valley Connector Review, Service Discussion Document, Final Draft July 2017 attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 17-085 for December 2017; and further,

**That** Council direct staff to work with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, BC Transit and the operating company (Whistler Transit Ltd.) to conduct a pilot program of the proposed Route 10 Valley Express prior to full implementation.

2017 By-Election Report No. 17-086 File No. 4200-20-2017(xLGMA)

> Amended at the Special Meeting of Council July 25, 2017

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

**That** pursuant to section 54(4) of the *Local Government Act*, Laurie-Anne Schimek be appointed Chief Election Officer, effective August 14, 2017, for conducting the 2017 By-Election in the Resort Municipality of Whistler with the power to appoint other election officials as required for the administration and conduct of the 2017 By-Election as per Section 58 of the *Local Government Act*; and,

**That** Brooke Browning be appointed Deputy Chief Election Officer, effective August 14, 2017, for the 2017 By-Election in the Resort Municipality of Whistler; and further,

**That** pursuant to section 54(4) of the *Local Government Act*, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing be notified of the by-election.

CARRIED

Five-Year Financial Plan 2017-2021 Amendment Bylaw No. 2158, 2017 Report No. 17-087 File No.4530 Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third readings to the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2017-2021 Amendment Bylaw No. 2158, 2017".

CARRIED

#### MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Transit Management Advisory Committee (TMAC) Workshop Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** the minutes of the Transit Management Advisory Committee Workshop minutes of May 8, 2017 be received.

CARRIED

#### BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

Five-Year Financial Plan 2017-2021 Amendment Bylaw No. 2158, 2017 Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

**That** Five-Year Financial Plan 2017-2021 Amendment Bylaw No. 2158, 2017 receive first, second and third readings.

**CARRIED** 

#### **BYLAWS FOR THIRD READING**

Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Golf Course) No. 2157, 2017 Moved by Councillor J. Grills Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

**That** Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Golf Course) No. 2157, 2017 receive third reading.

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Hotel and Phase

2 Rental Pool

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

Accommodations) No. 2140, 2017

That Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Hotel and Phase 2 Rental Pool

Accommodations) No. 2140, 2017 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

Tourist Accommodation Regulation Bylaw No.

2142, 2017

Moved by Councillor J. Grills

Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

**That** Tourist Accommodation Regulation Bylaw No. 2142, 2017 be adopted. CARRIED

Municipal Ticket Information System Amendment Bylaw No. 2152, 2017

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

That Municipal Ticket Information System Amendment Bylaw No. 2152,

2017 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Disposition of Lot 10

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

That Council authorize staff to proceed with the disposition of Lot 10 (8350) Bear Paw Trail) to the Whistler Housing Authority for the development of new resident restricted housing for the community.

**CARRIED** 

Disposition of Lot 16

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

That subject to a completed Notice of Disposition process, Council authorize staff to initiate the disposition of Lot 16 (1020 Legacy Way) to the Whistler Housing Authority for the development of new resident restricted housing for the community.

**CARRIED** 

Council Committee and **Acting Mayor Appointments** 

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

**That** Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden be appointed to the Human Resources Standing Committee.

That members of Council be appointed to the following Select Committees of Council:

Forest and Wildland Advisory

John Grills

Committee

May Long Weekend Committee Steve Anderson

> Transportation Advisory Group **Jack Crompton**

That members of Council be appointed to the following RMOW Boards and Partner Organizations:

Aware Jen Ford

Whistler Museum and Archives

Steve Anderson

Society

That the following members of Council be appointed as Acting Mayor for the months of September 2017 and October 2017:

September: John Grills

October: Jack Crompton

**CARRIED** 

Municipal Clerk Officer Appointment

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

**That** Council appoint Brooke Browning as Municipal Clerk.

**CARRIED** 

#### CORRESPONDENCE

2016 Statement for the **Environmental Legacy** Fund – Community Foundation of Whistler File No. 3028

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

**That** correspondence from Carol Coffey, Executive Director, Community Foundation of Whistler, dated June 30, 2017, regarding a statement for the 2016 Environmental Legacy Fund for the Community Foundation of Whistler be received.

CARRIED

Lakeside Parking and Speeding Issues File No. 8743

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

That correspondence from Sheree Forsyth, dated July 2, 2017, regarding parking issues at Lakeside Park and speeding drivers be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Canadian Charter of Rights and Towing of Vehicles

File No. 4715

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

That correspondence from Jason Mullings, dated July 3, 2017, regarding towing of vehicles from parking lots and protection of persons within Canada by the Canadian Charter of Rights be received.

Smoking Signs in the

Parks

File No. 8056

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

**That** correspondence from Helen Campbell, dated July 4, 2017, regarding the lack of signage regarding the "No Smoking Policy" in the parks be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Parking Regulations and Homelessness

Issues

File No. 7406

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

**That** correspondence from Javier Perez Montava, dated July 5, 2017, regarding his concerns with the new parking regulations in Lots 4 and 5 and for people living in their vehicles be received.

CARRIED

Cerebral Palsy Awareness Light Up Landmark Request File No. 3009.1 Moved by Councillor J. Grills Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

**That** correspondence from Dan Chalcraft, dated July 7, 2017, requesting that the Gazebo be lit green in support of Cerebral Palsy Awareness on October 6, 2017 be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Concern with New Parking Regulations File No. 7406

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

**That** correspondence from Bob Cessford, dated July 4, 2017, regarding his concerns with the new parking regulations along Blackcomb Way be received and referred to staff.

**That** correspondence from Eric Thomas Snyder, dated July 7, 2017, regarding the change in bus parking on Blackcomb Way in front of the Montebello residential townhomes be received and referred to staff.

**That** correspondence from Jeffrey Shier, dated July 7, 2017, regarding the change in bus parking on Blackcomb Way in front of the Montebello residential townhomes be received and referred to staff.

**That** correspondence from Tim Lovell, dated July 8, 2017, regarding the change in bus parking on Blackcomb Way in front of the Montebello residential townhomes be received and referred to staff.

**That** correspondence from Geoffrey Glotman, dated July 10, 2017, regarding the change in bus parking on Blackcomb Way in front of the Montebello residential townhomes be received and referred to staff.

Car Break-Ins at Recreation Trial Parking Lots File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** correspondence from James Nosella, dated July 10, 2017, regarding his concerns with car break-ins at recreation area and trailhead parking lots be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

Speed Concerns and Signage on Fitzsimmons Drive File No. 4745 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** correspondence from Meredith Schutter, dated July 11, 2017, regarding her concerns with the speed of drivers on Fitzsimmons Drive and the lack of signage be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton

**That** Council adjourn the July 18, 2017 Council meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Mayor, N. Wilhelm-Morden	Municipal Clerk, B. Browning