

WHISTLER

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2016, STARTING AT 5:31 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, J. Grills, A. Janyk,

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 Corporate, Economic and Environmental Services, T. Battiston

Municipal Clerk, L. Schimek

Acting Manager Communications, M. Darou

Manager Building Department, J. Mooney

Senior Planner, M. Laidlaw

Planning Analyst, R. Licko

Planner, F. Savage

Planner, A. Antonelli

Recording Secretary, M. Kish

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden recognized the attendance of Sue Adams, Freedom of the Municipality holder.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That Council adopt of the Regular Council agenda of July 26, 2016.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That Council adopt the Regular Council minutes of July 12, 2016.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

A presentation was given by Val Litwin, Chief Executive Officer, Whistler Chamber of Commerce (WCC) regarding WCC Labour and Workforce Survey.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden began by thanking Val Litwin, CEO for the Whistler Chamber of Commerce for his presentation this evening. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked Val for his years of service as CEO for the Chamber and for the work he has done to make Whistler a great place for both residents and visitors. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden congratulated him on his new position and wished him all the best commenting that it was great for Whistler to have him in the Provincial role immersed in tourism and hoped that we would see more from him in the future.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden congratulated IRONMAN Canada on a very successful fourth year here in Whistler and successful first IRONMAN Canada 70.3. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that it was very inspiring to see so many athletes competing in the challenging, world-class event and that the weather and conditions were perfect. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden mentioned that someone had commented to her that they had seen the film promo of the event that came out soon after the race was finished which showcased the corridor all the way to Pemberton. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked the organizers and all who took the time to volunteer also thanking residents and visitors for welcoming IRONMAN Canada and accommodating the traffic disruptions and closures that allow the event to take place safely for participants and spectators. Hosting this event builds on the resort community's reputation as a top destination for hosting world class events. It brings athletes and support teams to the region throughout the year for training, and then for up to a week during the event. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden mentioned that IRONMAN Canada brings approximately 8-million dollars in economic benefits to the Sea to Sky region. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden again thanked everyone that worked to make this event a success and that we are looking forward to welcoming IRONMAN Canada again next year on Sunday, July 30. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that she was at the finishing line for an hour around midnight and recommended everyone to come out and see those athletes coming in at that time as they have been on the course for many hours. She mentioned that seeing them cross the finishing line you get a sense of their accomplishment which is amazing to witness.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that we are now coming into some of the busiest weekends of the summer and the RMOW is pleased to share that we are able to provide transit services free of charge for riders on six Saturdays from start of service, until 6:00 p.m. in the evening, beginning this Saturday, July 30. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden added that we heard from residents at the Community Forum in June that providing transit free of charge to riders could

encourage local ridership. Through the Transportation Advisory Group, we have been able to look at this suggestion and are operating the six free transit Saturdays as a pilot project to measure how well this incentive works. Saturdays were chosen as they are the busiest day of the week for highway traffic and parking volume. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden mentioned that we are continuing to look at ways to reduce congestion in our parking lots and on the highway during peak periods. As part of this, she encouraged residents to plan ahead for travel into the Village during peak periods. In addition to transit, she also encouraged residents to bike or walk the Valley Trail into the Village and to give themselves extra time to find parking if they are driving encouraging residents to consider alternate parking in the Village at times when the Day Lots fill up quickly. There is a full map of other parking options at www.whistler.ca/parking.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that the RMOW values input from the public and the adoption of suggestions from the community at the recent Community Forum indicates that the Whistler community enthusiastically responds to our invitation to get involved in municipal planning. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden acknowledged the many hours that more than 100 individuals who volunteer on our 16 committees and task forces. Those committees, and events like the Community Forum, are important inputs to our community planning process, along with many other things ranging from long term community plans to trends and budgets. In the weeks following the Community Forum, staff have reviewed the input shared at the various themed tables. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden said she is happy to report on some examples of progress to date of incorporating the community input into action.

Housing:

One of the main issues related to housing had to do with the loss of affordable rental space. The expansion of Air B&B in Whistler as well illegal rental listings were identified and threats to stable housing for our local community members. People requested that the RMOW and Whistler Housing Authority provide more incentives for home owners to restrict rental space to residents. Staff report that the current research study looking at the RMOW's tourist accommodation sector and short-term rental impacts will help to identify solutions. These issues and concerns will continue to be addressed through the Whistler Housing Authority, and in particular, through a November workshop on landlord/tenant rights and responsibilities.

A Public Hearing was held for Bylaw 2110, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting resumed at 6:06 p.m.

Energy Use:

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that this is also a topic of significant importance to our community members, as indicated by the extensive input into the Community Energy and Climate Action Plan that was already received. A major issue relates to the incentives available to support efficiency upgrades. There are many local and provincial incentive programs available but unfortunately these are not well understood. Staff incorporated this and other relevant concerns, such as increasing awareness about the RMOW Green Building policy, into the Community Energy and Climate Action Plan.

The transportation issues raised were considered along with all of the input shared at that table.

Transportation:

There were numerous comments for regional public transit to support commuting across the Sea to Sky corridor, in addition to expanded local service suggestions. Creative ideas related to new routes and scaled fare systems were shared. The valley trail was recognized as an area that we can more actively promote as one of our best sustainable transportation assets. The RMOW is very active in this area with the Transportation Advisory Group, and all input collected at the Community Forum was shared at their most recent meeting. We can expect to hear more about transportation solutions in the months ahead.

The recent EPI report indicates that our local tourism is stronger than ever, and the issues raised at the Tourism Economy table were focused on how best to sustain that growth. Major themes were around promoting local and authentic products, demonstrating leadership in sustainability, and expanding the festivals and events program. Specific suggestions were shared with the Economic Partnership Initiative committee.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden added that water conservation is an issue that became acutely important to our community last year. Suggestions shared at the Community Forum could be themed into volumetric metering for businesses, increased education for residents, and required improvements to irrigation for all properties, including rain sensors and rain capture technology. Over the next six months, RMOW staff will be updating the current water use bylaw and those suggestions will be further considered and incorporated wherever possible.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that fire safety is always top of mind for Whistler residents as we experience global warming. At this time, RMOW staff are working on a strategy to expand the fire smart public education program, as well as creative solutions to maximize existing resources.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden added that the table she hosted didn't have a specific theme so people were invited to come and speak about whatever was top of mind. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that she heard numerous comments about daycare, both the lack of spaces and affordability. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden added that was the subject of a Committee of the Whole workshop earlier in the day, as well the RMOW has submitted a UBCM Resolution regarding child care and a number of other initiatives that will be coming to us in the months to come.

Much of the feedback shared at the Community Forum confirms priorities and actions already in the Corporate Plan. In some cases the input has been shared with our partners who would be the appropriate agency to consider it in their planning. In some cases the input will be considered in the upcoming 2017 corporate planning and budget process. In a few cases the input may not be possible or appropriate. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that we do appreciate all input and the opportunity to have the dialogue with the community. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden also commented that we will continue to

promote engagement in municipal matters through our community life survey, community advisory committees, partnerships, open house events, and, through social media dialogue and other online tools.

Whistler residents are encouraged to continue to share their feedback and ideas, this time federally, with a question and answer session with our Member of Parliament Pamela Goldsmith-Jones July 27 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Maury Young Arts Centre. There will be an update for the community on her work in the riding and around the world and listening to concerns and ideas from local residents. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden encouraged all who are able, to attend.

In 1999, Whistler and Karuizawa, Japan became the 67th pair of Canadian/Japanese Sister Cities. Both cities boast year-round tourism, a multitude of outdoor recreational activities and both have hosted the Olympic Games. The relationship strengthens economic and cultural ties and promotes tourism between the Town of Karuizawa and the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW). Last year, on Canada Day, Whistler welcomed Mayor Fujimaki and officials from Karuizawa on an exchange here in Whistler. This week Mayor Wilhelm-Morden will be travelling to Japan for a reciprocal exchange - marking the fifth exchange between our cities. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that she would be giving a speech at a welcome ceremony this Saturday that highlight's Whistler's history and the many commonalities between our two cities and how we hope to learn from each other. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that as we are both resort cities and former Olympic host cities, she looks forward to learnings and recommendations from her time in Karuizawa and reporting back to Council with this information.

Councillor Janyk thanked the volunteers of Ironman and commented that she volunteered at an aid station and said that she witnessed how hard the volunteers worked during the course of their shift and the encouragement they gave to the athletes was outstanding. Councillor Janyk commented that she was grateful to the Whistler Mountain Ski Club station as they had a lot of fun encouraging the last runners in to the end of the race.

Councillor Maxwell gave an update on AWARE's Zero Waste Hero's program which is a social enterprise which will provide assistance to event organizers to help plan their event and man waste stations during the day as well as post diversion follow up after the event.

Councillor Maxwell also thanked the organizers of the Bright New Day Reconciliation event that she, three Councillors, staff and other community members attended. It was an event with local First Nations where stories were shared about their experiences and how they are working towards reconciliation. Councillor Maxwell commented that she hoped that other people would attend similar events should they have the opportunity if more are planned for the future in our region.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Planning And Building Departments Application Activity Report – 2016 Second Quarter Report No. 16-089 File No. 7076.01 Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That Information Report No.16-089 summarizing the Planning Department and Building Departments application activity for the second quarter of 2016 be received.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

DVP 1122 - 3359 Lakeside Road Setback Variance

Variance Report No. 16-090 File No. DVP1122 Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That Council approve Development Variance Permit Application DVP 1122 to vary the front setback for a basement below an attached garage at 3359 Lakeside Road from 7.6 metres to 5.0 metres as described in Report No. 16-090 and illustrated in Architectural Plans D1.01, D1.02, D1.03, D1.06, D1.07 A2.01, A2.03, and A2.04, prepared by Peter Rose Architecture and Interiors dated November 11, 2015.

Opposed: Councillor S. Maxwell, Councillor J. Ford.

CARRIED

DVP1113 – 1597 & 1599 Tynebridge Lane Setback Variance Report No. 16-091 File No. DVP 1113 Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP 1113 to vary the minimum permitted setback from the front property line at 1597 & 1599 Tynebridge Lane from 2 meters to 0 meters for a retaining wall, and vary the maximum permitted height of a retaining wall from 0.6 meters to 3.85 meters, in order to accommodate an existing retaining wall, as shown on the survey plan prepared by Douglas J. Bush, dated September 16, 2015, attached as Appendix B to Report No. 16-091.

CARRIED

LLR 1256 – Coast Mountain Brewing Company – Brewery Lounge Endorsement Report No.16-092 File No. LLR 1256 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That Council pass the resolutions attached as Appendix "A" to Administrative Report No.16-092 providing Council's recommendation to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch regarding an Application from the Coast Mountain Brewing Company for an endorsement for a manufacturer (brewery) lounge with an occupant load of 27 persons.

CARRIED

Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw (Fees for Homebased Artist Studios) No. 2122, 2016 Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

Report No. 16-094 File No. 7647.01 **That** Council consider giving first, second and third readings to Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw (Fees for Home-based Artist Studios) No. 2122, 2016.

CARRIED

Community Energy and Climate Action Plan Report No. 16-093 File No. A05001 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor A. Janyk

That Council endorse the 2016 Community Energy and Climate Action Plan as attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 16-093.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Transportation Advisory Group (TAG)

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

That minutes of the Transportation Advisory Group meeting of June 9, 2016

be received.

CARRIED

Forest and Wildland Advisory Committee

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk Seconded by Councillor S. Anderson

That minutes of the Forest and Wildland Advisory Committee meeting of

June 8, 2016 be received.

CARRIED

Whistler Bear Advisory Committee

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

That minutes of the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee meeting of June 8,

2016 be received.

CARRIED

BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw (Fees for Homebased Artist Studios) No. 2122, 2016 Moved by Councillor A. Janyk Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw (Fees for Homebased Artist Studios) No. 2122, 2016 receive first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

BYLAWS FOR THIRD READING

Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler RV) No. 2110, 2016 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor A. Janyk

That Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler RV) No. 2110, 2016 receive third

reading.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Whistler Housing Authority Ltd Director Changes Moved by Councillor J. Grills Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That the written resignation of Sharon Fugman (which has been received at the Company's registered office) as director of the Company be accepted;

That Mike Furey, having consented in writing to act as director of the Company, be appointed as director of the Company, to hold office until the next annual general meeting of the Company or until sooner ceasing to hold office; and

That the Board of Directors is therefore now composed of the following seven (7) persons:

Jonathan Decaigny Jennifer C. Ford Jack Crompton Mike Furey Michael Hutchison Brian Good John Grills

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

District Energy System (DES) Issues File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That correspondence from Gavin Phillipson dated June 16, 2016, regarding issues with his DES be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Whistler Blackcomb Renaissance Project Trail Access Concerns File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor A. Janyk Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That correspondence from Rupert Merer dated July 5, 2016, regarding Whistler Blackcomb's Renaissance Project and trail access concerns be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Whistler Seawolves Swim Club Pool Use Co-operation File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor A. Janyk Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That correspondence from Stan Kranjc on behalf of Club Members dated July 5, 2016, regarding the successful resolution with the RMOW Recreation Department for ongoing pool lane allocations at Meadow Park Sports Centre be received.

CARRIED

Road Management in Construction Zones File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

That correspondence from Scott Brick, dated July 7, 2016, regarding issues in management of roads in construction zones in Whistler be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Union of British Columbian Municipality Convention Meeting Appointments and Invitations File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor A. Janyk Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That correspondence from Selina Robinson, MLA, Opposition Spokesperson for Local Government, Seniors and Sports dated July 5, 2016, regarding meeting appointments and invitations at the upcoming UBCM convention be received.

CARRIED

UBCM FireSmart Grant

– Strategic Wildfire

Prevention Initiative

File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

That correspondence from Danyta Welch, Policy and Programs Officer, Union of British Columbia Municipalities dated July 11, 2016, regarding the successful grant application for the Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative be received.

CARRIED

Community Foundation of Whistler - 2015 Environmental Legacy Fund Statement File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor A. Janyk Seconded by Councillor S. Maxwell

That correspondence from Carol Coffey, Executive Director Community Foundation of Whistler dated July 15, 2016, regarding the 2015 Environmental Legacy Fund statement and grant distribution through the Community Foundation of Whistler be received.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton

That Council adjourn the July 26, 2016 Council meeting at 7:43 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, N. Wilhelm-Morden	Municipal Clerk, L. Schimek