



WHISTLER

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2016, STARTING AT 5:30 PM**

**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, 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
Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard
Municipal Clerk, L. Schimek
Director of Finance, K. Roggeman
Manager of Communications, M. Comeau
Manager of Development Services, J. Ertel
Fire Chief, G. Playfair
Senior Planner, M. Laidlaw
Planning Analyst, R. Licko
Planner, R. Brennan
Recording Secretary, M. Kish

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

That Council adopt of the Regular Council agenda of June 7, 2016.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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

That Council adopt the Regular Council minutes of May 17, 2016.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Tony Routley - 1160 Whitewater Drive, Whistler

- Tony is the Chair of the Cheakamus Crossing District Energy System (DES) Committee.
- Tony said questions do not need to be answered now.
- Tony asked if everyone on Council received a copy of the new technical service guide commenting that it is important to see it for knowledge of what the residents deal with on a daily basis.
- Tony asked why it took six years to produce the Technical Service Guide when the integral report says it is critical and mandatory for proper servicing and maintenance of the DES system.
- Tony asked why Whistler Development Corporation (WDC) and its contractors didn't follow any of the service work prescribed as mandatory in the Technical Service Guide before or after people moved in commenting that some of those things are hazardous and prescribed by the B.C Building Code.
- Tony asked when will the multiple issues identified in the report be repaired and is it even worth repairing a faulty and failing system.
- Tony questioned whether it was reasonable to ask the residents to pay mandatory costs of approximately \$2,100 a year if all goes right and \$3,800 a year just to get it hopefully up to speed so that there are no further problems.
- Tony asked how can we all work together to try to sort out the problems shown in the report and solve them in a workable manner.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Annual Report and
Corporate Plan

A presentation was given by Mike Furey regarding the Annual Report and Corporate Plan.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden expressed sincere condolences on behalf of the Resort Municipality of Whistler to Hans Kogler on the passing of his wife Margarete. The Koglers moved to Whistler in 1971 and have been engaged with the community ever since. Margaret will be missed.

In April Mayor Wilhelm-Morden and the Mayor of Squamish, Patricia Heintzman were invited by the Deputy Commissioner of the RCMP to tour the RCMP training facilities in Regina as have many other B.C Mayors. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that it was extremely impressive to see the rigorous training program that cadets go through. After touring all the facilities they attended a graduation ceremony and Mayor Wilhelm-Morden had the opportunity to speak at it. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that it has changed her admiration for all the training the RCMP officers go through.

Last week during Tourism Week, Mayor Wilhelm-Morden worked a couple of hours as a Village Host. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that she had never been a Village Host and said she had no idea how much information

you needed to know to adequately do the job and was surprised at how much there is to do in the Resort. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden extended the invitation to staff and Council to make a guest appearance or a regularly scheduled one commenting that she highly recommended it as an interesting experience.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden shared statistics on the overall satisfaction of visitors to this year's GO Fest:

- Half of all out of town attendees said that they would be very likely or likely to return to GO Fest next year.
- Among out-of-town attendees, satisfaction with the resort vibe was very high at 91-percent which is up from 89-percent in 2015.
- Only one percent of visitors had a negative perception of the resort vibe.
- Visitor's overall satisfaction with their experience in Whistler was 97-percent.

This was an important turning point for GO Fest to see so many people and families safely enjoying themselves. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked the many organizers and participants of a very successful celebration of this year's GO Fest. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that they received a presentation from RCMP regarding the nuts and bolts arising from the weekend as far as arrests and reported that arrests were down across the board from last year.

This past weekend's hot, sunny weather is a reminder that although it is still spring, unseasonably warm temperatures are here. As a result, the Resort Municipality of Whistler proactively introduced Level Two sprinkling restrictions on May 31 for all commercial and residential properties. These restrictions are in place to ensure an adequate supply of fresh water to meet Whistler's daily needs, protect natural aquatic habitats, and prepare the community for a wildfire. Last summer, Whistler faced severe drought conditions and this summer is expected to be warmer and drier than in past years. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden would like to acknowledge the excellent leadership to date within the community on water conservation, including property managers and irrigation companies. There are a number of actions that residents and property owners can take to conserve waters and help their lawns and gardens stay healthy. Check whistler.ca/water.

Hot sunny weather also saw Whistler's fire danger rating increase to HIGH over the weekend. In order to protect our community NO fires are allowed anywhere and only propane BBQs are allowed in parks providing they are not placed on grass or near trees. The Resort Municipality of Whistler encourages all residents and visitors to protect our community by observing this ban on all fires and for residents to take steps to be FireSmart and reduce risk factors for interface fires. Residents can reduce yard waste by participating in free yard waste drop offs on weekends in July and take advantage of a free home assessment with Whistler Fire Rescue Service. Check the daily fire danger rating and find more information at whistler.ca/fire.

On Wednesday, June 15 there will be a Whistler Community Forum held at the Audain Art Museum 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for community members to share their input. This is an excellent opportunity for community members to

get involved in local issues that are important such as water conservation, fire prevention, housing, transportation, energy use and our tourism economy and we encourage all to attend. There will be childcare, refreshments and door prizes. Visit whistler.ca/corporateplan to see the plan, sign up for the forum and more.

Last week the RMOW held an Open House to seek public feedback on the Community Energy and Climate Action Plan. As a tourism-centred mountain town, Whistler has a particular interest in addressing the issues of climate change. The plan is designed to help Whistler become more energy efficient over the next 50 years through a phased, practical approach to climate change issues. Implementing this plan will require cooperation from all agencies and residents in the community. While the Open House has passed – the opportunity to share your thoughts and feedback has not. There is still a survey open for two more weeks – a link can be found on the RMOW's climate action and energy web page at whistler.ca/climatechange or at www.surveymonkey.com/r/climateplan.

Today there was another opportunity for our community to come together with the official opening ceremony for Whistler's new skate park. The park has had an enthusiastic response since opening to skaters young and old on May 26. It is now the second largest skate park in all of Canada at more than 50-thousand square feet. The project was led by the Resort Municipality of Whistler and with 807-thousand dollars of funding from the Province of British Columbia's Resort Municipality Initiative Program and a generous donation of 100-thousand dollars from the Whistler Blackcomb Foundation. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked them for their support on this expansion project.

Another exciting project for our community is the installation of new municipal parking pedestrian Village wayfinding signage that will be complete in July thanks as well to the Province's Resort Municipality Resort Initiative Program. The new signage will improve the arrival experience for visitors in and around Whistler Village and the overall enjoyment of everyone in our resort community.

- The work has included coordinating and updating information and installing more than 200 newly designated signs, banners and portals throughout Whistler Village and the municipal parking areas.
- The design of these elements incorporates materials and shapes that reflect Whistler's mountain environment.

This new signage will help people get around Whistler and find some of the many hidden gems as well as the many popular sites throughout the community. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden acknowledged the work of community members and partners who worked with municipal staff on the creation of this important and exciting project.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden on behalf of Council and the Resort Municipality of Whistler acknowledged Staff Sergeant Steve LeClair's work with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Steve is retiring this week, after 30 years working for the RCMP mostly in the Lower Mainland area although he has served as Staff Sergeant in Whistler since 2007. In Whistler, Steve has been involved with:

- the RCMP Search and Rescue
- community engagement
- and he is particularly noted by for his operational guidance to officers under his supervision.

Steve spent 15 years on the RCMP's volunteer Emergency Response Team, a highly trained group specializing in the use of weapons, equipment and tactics in high-risk situations. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden, on behalf of Council thanked Steve for his service here in Whistler, as well as throughout Canada, and wished him the very best in his retirement.

Council has appointed the following people to the May Long Weekend Committee for a two-year term:

- Nicole Shannon – Retail merchants sector representative
- Terry Clark – Liquor primary sector representative
- Jeff Kennedy – Accommodation sector representatives
- Kevin Wallace – Restaurant sector representative
- Marlene Coleman – Member at large

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden commented that on June 17, two days before Father's Day, there is challenge for all Mayors across Canada to "Wear Plaid for Dad" to raise awareness and funds for prostate cancer which is the most common cancer for dads.

Councillor Janyk asked the community not to smoke in public parks due to the high fire risk as well she would like to remind everyone that there is a bylaw against smoking in Whistler's public parks.

Councillor Grills also acknowledged Staff Sergeant Le Clair's service in the community commenting that he was a founding member of the May Long Weekend Committee and was instrumental in assisting the RMOW coming up with plans to help manage that weekend and move it along in a successful way. Councillor Grills thanked him and commented that he believes that he will be making his permanent home in the community and looks forward to seeing him around town on a more casual basis.

Councillor Maxwell was invited to a Sexual Violence Forum at the Squamish Lillooet Cultural Centre and commented on hearing about all the different resources that are available in the corridor including a nurse that is able to administer rape kits in Squamish.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Plastic Bag Reduction
Update
Report No. 16-066
File No. 808.1

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

That Information Report No. 16-066 regarding the update on Plastic Bag Reduction be received.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

DVP1119 – 6320
Wedge Lane Frontage
Variance And Covenant
Amendment
Report No. 16-067
File No. DVP 1119,
CM0068

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

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP 1119 for the proposed development located at 6320 Wedge Lane to vary the frontage requirement for a detached dwelling greater than 325 m² from 24 metres to 18 metres as shown on the plan prepared by R. Diamond Building Design, dated 6 Mar 16, and attached as Appendix B to Administrative Report No. 16-067 subject to:

1. Discharge of the existing restrictive covenants registered on title as L25697, M63214 and M87812 that relate to outdated zoning bylaw regulations; and
2. Registration of a covenant updating references to the current Zoning Bylaw and providing tree preservation as described in this report; and further

That Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the required amending covenants.

Opposed: Councillor S. Maxwell

CARRIED

DP 1488 – 8040 Nesters
Road – Phase 1
Industrial Development
Report No. 16-070
File No. DP 1488

Councillor J. Crompton declared a pecuniary conflict of interest and left the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

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

That Council approve the issuance of Development Permit DP 1488 for the proposed subdivision of 8040 Nesters Road into 3 lots and the phase 1 development of the lots for industrial development which includes the following variance to the Zoning Bylaw:

- a) Vary some limited areas of parking and parking access surface to gravel,

as illustrated on the Subdivision Plan prepared by Doug Bush Survey Services Ltd., dated Feb. 3, 2016, the architectural plans A1.0 to A7.0 (CME) and A1.0 to A8.1 (Whistler Connection) prepared by ATA Architectural Design Ltd., dated May 20, 2016, landscape plan L1.0 prepared by Tom Barratt Ltd., dated May 19, 2016, and civil plans KEY, GRAD-1, C-1, FA-1 prepared by Creus Engineering Ltd., all attached as Appendices B and C to Council Report No. 16-070, subject to the resolution of the detailed items specified in the letter attached as Appendix F to Council Report No. 16-070 to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Resort Experience; and further

That Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the garbage and recycling building access easement.

CARRIED

Councillor J. Crompton returned to the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden recognized the attendance of Freedom of the Municipality holder Eric Martin.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

District Energy System
(DES) Study Update

A presentation was given by Eric Martin, President and Chair of the Whistler 2020 Development Corporation regarding the District Energy System Study Update.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

DP 1483 – 8060 Nesters
Road – Industrial
Development
Report No. 16-069
File No. DP 1483

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

That Council approve the issuance of Development Permit DP 1483 for the development of an industrial development at 8060 Nesters Road per the architectural plans A-DP1.0, A-DP1.1, A-DP1.1a, A-DP1.2, A-DP1.3, A-DP1.3a prepared by abbarch architects, dated May 2, 2016, the landscape plans L1 and L2 prepared by PMG Landscape Architects, dated May 3, 2016, and the preliminary site servicing plans SS1 and SG1 prepared by Binnie and Associates Ltd., dated May 3, 2016, attached respectively as Appendices B and C to Council Report No. 16- 069 , and subject to the resolution of the following items to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Resort Experience;

1. Finalization of the architectural, landscape and engineering plans to address the following items:
 - a. Provide additional asphalt adjacent to surface parking lot to reduce gravel being tracked onto the paved driveway;
 - b. Finalize the a drainage and interception system plans to municipal standards to address the soil preloading for Phase 2;
2. Provision of a letter of credit, or other approved security, in the amount of 135 percent of the costs of the hard and soft landscape works as security for the construction and maintenance of these works;
3. Provision of a snow shed analysis, prepared by a certified engineer, consistent with Council Snow Shed Policy G-16; and
4. Finalization of signage details.

CARRIED

FireSmart Grant
Application
Report No. 16-071
File No. 8337.01

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

That Council support the UBCM FireSmart grant application to hire and train a Local FireSmart Representative. This person would conduct site visits and community assessments and developing FireSmart Plans for specific areas and assist owners in coordinating FireSmart activities.

CARRIED

New Building Canada
Fund – 2016 Intake

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

Report No. 16-072
File No. 155.7

That Council endorse the application submitted under New Building Canada Fund – Small Communities Fund for funding assistance for the Compost Facility Capacity Improvements (Project E063) as set out in the Five-Year Financial Plan.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Illegal Spaces Task
Force
Committee(ISTFC)

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

That minutes of the Illegal Spaces Task Force Committee meeting of May 11, 2015 be received.

CARRIED

Forest and Wildland
Advisory Committee
(FWAC)

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

That minutes of the Forest and Wildland Advisory Committee meeting of March 9, 2016 be received.

CARRIED

Whistler Bear Advisory
Committee (WBAC)

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton
Seconded by Councillor A. Janyk

That minutes of the Whistler Black Bear Committee meeting of March 9, 2016 and April 13, 2016 be received.

CARRIED

Recreation Leisure
Advisory Committee
(RLAC)

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk
Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

That minutes of the Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee meeting of February 11, 2016 be received.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Bylaw Enforcement
Officer Appointment

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

Whereas the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler ("Whistler") wishes to appoint Matt Gore as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367, and upon Matt Gore swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavit in the Province of British Columbia, Whistler hereby appoints Matt Gore as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to perform the functions and duties specified in the Parking Enforcement Officer job description.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Introduction of an
Environmental Bill of
Rights
File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk
Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

That correspondence from Andrew Weaver, MLA Oak Bay–Gordon Head, dated May 18, 2016, regarding the *Environmental Bill of Rights Act*, 2016 be received in the BC Legislature be received.

CARRIED

Lighting Concerns
Marketplace and
Northland Blvd
File No. 3009

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

That correspondence from Yvonne Goller, dated May 22, 2016, requesting that better lighting be installed at the crosswalk at Marketplace and Twin Peaks & Valhalla on Northlands Blvd. be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Bear Hunting Concerns
in the Callaghan Valley
File No. 3009

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

That correspondence from Liz Barrett dated May 23 2016, requesting that hunting laws for black bears be revised in the Callaghan Valley be received and referred to the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

Built Green Day
Proclamation Request
File No. 3009.1

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

That correspondence from Jenifer Christenson, Executive Director of Built Green Canada, dated May 27, 2016, requesting Council proclaim June 8, 2016 Built Green Day be received and proclaimed.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton

That Council adjourn the June 7, 2016 Council meeting at 8:14 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, N. Wilhelm-Morden

Municipal Clerk, L. Schimek