



# WHISTLER

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2015, STARTING AT 5:30 PM

In the Franz Wilhelmssen Theatre at Maurice Young 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. Paul  
General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, N. McPhail  
General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Jansen  
Corporate Officer, S. Story  
Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard  
Manager of Communications, M. Comeau  
Manager of Special Projects, T. Battiston  
Manager of Building Department, J. Mooney  
Manager of Transportation and Waste Management, J. Hallisey  
Manager of Resort Parks Planning, M. Pardoe,  
Manager of Village Animation & Events, B. Andrea  
Manager of Development Services and Deputy Approving Officer, J. Ertel  
Recording Secretary, A. Winkle

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council agenda of July 21, 2015 with the removal of the Information Report "Gateway Loop – Reporting Back." Report No. 15-098.

CARRIED

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

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

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council minutes of July 7, 2015, and Special Council minutes of July 13, 2015.

CARRIED

## **PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

*There were no questions from the public.*

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that the thirty-second annual Whistler Children's Festival from July 10 to 12 was a success again this year. There were four thousand children and parents in attendance. The weekend offered live performances, fifty-six different creative workshops, entertainment and free activities.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that volunteers cleared garbage from five of Whistler's Lakes for the third annual Great Lake Cleanup on July 12. Many large items were removed that had been found during previous cleanups. These difficult items included five large propane cylinders and two rowboats in Alta Lake. Each lake had teams cleaning the shoreline as well as the lake bottom. A team of divers, from Divers for Cleaner Lakes and Oceans, were pleased to report that Alta Lake is very healthy and has lots of aquatic life throughout its various depths. Mayor Wilhelm-Morden thanked all the volunteers for participating and to Roger McCarthy for organizing the event. Councillor A. Janyk reported that the lakes are cleaner each year. Councillor S. Anderson commented on the number of golf balls in the lakes.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that Whistler's fire danger rating has returned to extreme. With the high risk, everyone in Whistler is urged to be vigilant about fire prevention all summer long. Although rain reduces the risk briefly, we are likely to have a raised fire risk until the fall. She reminded everyone that there are no campfires allowed anywhere and there is no smoking in parks and trails at any time. Please report any signs of fire, at any time of the day or night, to 9-1-1 in Whistler or \*5555 on your cellphone outside of Whistler.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that Whistler is hosting the third Subaru IRONMAN Canada on Sunday, July 26. Everyone is encouraged to come out to the event and to cheer on the athletes. She commented on key spot for viewing the event at Alpine Way and Highway 99, or any of the transition stages of the event. IRONMAN's course covers much of Whistler and Pemberton as well as Highway 99 between the Callaghan and Pemberton. The best form of transportation on Sunday will be by bike or foot along the Valley Trail. Drivers should expect major disruptions, including significant road closures and parking shortages, from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Visit [whistler.ca/ironman](http://whistler.ca/ironman) for more information.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reminded everyone in Whistler to conserve water this summer. With the raised fire risk, the dry spring, and the low snow pack, water conservation is even more important than usual. Whistler's water levels are low this year due to a low snowpack and dry conditions. There is an unseasonably low amount of fresh water melting into 21 Mile Creek, our main surface water source. To reduce water usage, individuals can water plants and lawns less, avoid washing cars or hosing down driveways and sidewalks. Please see [whistler.ca/waterconservation](http://whistler.ca/waterconservation) for details. The municipality is also conserving water by:

- Monitoring neighbourhoods, speaking with residents and stratas, and issuing tickets for improper use;
- Replacing the Alpine Water Main and reducing leaks in Whistler's water mains;
- Reducing the amount of water used to irrigate parks by 20 per cent; and,
- Cancelling this year's water main flushing program, equivalent to 870,000 toilet flushes.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that June 2015 is now Whistler's busiest June on record. Resort-wide paid room nights grew 26 per cent over last year, and all other key performance indicators also posted notable year over year growth. The growth was driven by strong conference and group business, events, and the weather.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden reported that she and Suzanne Muscat met with MP John Weston last Friday to discuss next steps for the cell tower proposed for the corner of Lorimer Road and Highway 99. The municipality's letter of non-concurrence has gone out and it is now in the hands of the minister to make a decision. They met with MP Weston to get his advice on what we could do next, and what he might do next. There is not a lot that can be done at this time; the letters have been delivered. MP Weston said he was impressed with the work of numerous groups and individuals in Whistler, and as a result of that work he was going to make a recommendation to the minister that the application not be approved. He was unable to give a timeline as to when the minister might make a decision. He did confirm that although Minister Moore is not running for re-election, he will continue to sit as an MP and in that ministerial seat until the election. At this point, we have to wait and see.

#### INFORMATION REPORTS

Key Community  
Performance Indicator  
Update (2014)  
Report No. 15-093  
File No. 8362

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

**That** Information Report No. 15-093 regarding the 2014 annual update to Whistler's key community performance reporting program be received.

CARRIED

Planning and Building  
Departments Application  
Activity Report – 2015  
Second Quarter  
Report No. 15-095  
File No. 7006.01

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

**That** Information Report No.15-095 summarizing the Planning Department and Building Departments application activity for the second quarter of 2015 be received.

CARRIED

Gateway Loop –  
Reporting Back  
Report No. 15-098  
File No. 573

*This item was removed from the agenda.*

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

2015 Le Diner En Blanc  
Catering License  
Capacity  
Report No. 15-096  
File No. 8216

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

**That** Council endorse a requested capacity of over 500 people for a catering licensed event, subject to Liquor Control & Licensing Branch (LCLB), Whistler Fire Rescue and Whistler RCMP approvals for “Le Diner en Blanc” event to be held Friday, August 21, 2015 at an RMOW approved location.

CARRIED

RBC GranFondo  
Whistler Catering Liquor  
License  
Report No. 15-097  
File No. 8216

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

**That** Council approve the Catering License capacity of over 500 for the RBC GranFondo Whistler to be held on Saturday, September 12, 2015, subject to Liquor Licensing and Distribution Branch (LCLB), Whistler Fire Rescue and RCMP approvals.

CARRIED

Skatepark Phase 3 –  
Project Update and  
Construction Contract  
Award  
Report No. 15-092  
File No. 8075.01

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

**That** Council receive Administrative Report 15-092; and,

**That** Council direct staff to amend the Five-Year Financial Plan 2015-2019 Bylaw No. 2085, 2015 to increase the Skate Park Rejuvenation Plan budget to \$907,600, an increase of \$100,000, to be funded by an external grant; and further,

**That** Council award the Skatepark Phase 3 construction contract to EHR Contracting Ltd. of Chilliwack BC for a value of \$791,000.

CARRIED

District Energy System  
(DES) Update  
Report No. 15-094  
File No. 481.6

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

**That** Council endorse the planned DES initiatives for 2015 as set out in Administrative Report No. 15-094.

CARRIED

Whistler Solid Waste  
Management Strategy  
Update  
Report No. 15-091  
File No. 604

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

**That** Council receive Administrative Report No. 15-091 on the actions taken to improve waste diversion and reduce solid waste costs as set out in the 2013 Whistler Solid Waste Management Strategy; and,

**That** Council approve the framework for the proposed bylaw to improve diversion of organics and recyclables in the commercial and strata sectors as described in Council Report 15-091.

CARRIED

### **MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS**

May Long Weekend  
Committee

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

**That** minutes of May Long Weekend Committee meeting of May 6, 2015 be received.

CARRIED

Recreation and Leisure  
Advisory Committee

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

**That** minutes of the Recreation and Leisure Advisory Committee meeting of June 11, 2015 be received.

CARRIED

### **BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION**

Zoning Amendment  
Bylaw (Heidi Haus  
Pension) No. 2073,  
2015

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

**That** Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Heidi Haus Pension) No. 2073, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

Employee Housing  
Service Charge  
Amendment Bylaw No.  
2078, 2015

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

**That** Employee Housing Service Charge Amendment Bylaw No. 2078, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

*There were no items of Other Business.*

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Smoking on Golf Course  
File No. 3009

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

**That** correspondence from Brad Sevenko, dated July 9, 2015, regarding smoking on the Chateau Whistler Golf Course be received.

CARRIED

Strategic Wildfire  
Prevention Initiative  
File No. 8337.01

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

**That** correspondence from Peter Ronald, Programs Officer, dated July 8, 2015, regarding approval of the Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative grant for Fuel Management Prescription (SWPI-500: Block 7 (Big Timber) & Block 8 (Part 2) Prescriptions, 2015) be received and a letter of thanks be sent.

CARRIED

International Day of  
Older Persons 2015  
File No. 3009.1

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

**That** correspondence from Lorraine Logan, President of the Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of BC (COSCO) dated June 29, 2015, requesting a proclamation of support of the "International Day of Older Persons" and prominent display of the Canadian version of the "International Day of Older Persons" flag on October 1, 2015 be received and "International Day of Older Persons" be proclaimed.

CARRIED

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton

**That** Council adjourn the July 21, 2015 Council meeting at 8:01 p.m.

CARRIED

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Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden

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Corporate Officer: S. Story