



# WHISTLER

## MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014, 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: J. Crompton, J. Faulkner, J. Grills, D. Jackson, and A. Janyk.

**ABSENT:** R. McCarthy

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey  
General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, N. McPhail  
General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Paul  
General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Jansen  
Director of Finance, K. Roggeman  
Acting Director of Planning/Senior Planner, M. Laidlaw  
Corporate Officer, S. Story  
Manager of Communications, M. Comeau  
Manager of Strategic Alliances, J. Rae  
Manager of Village Animation and Events, B. Andrea  
Manager of Special Projects, T. Battiston  
Senior Planner, M. Laidlaw  
Planner, F. Savage  
Recording Secretary, N. Best

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

**That** Council adopt of the Regular Council agenda of March 4, 2014.

CARRIED

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton  
Seconded by Councillor J. Faulkner

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council minutes of February 18, 2013.

CARRIED

### **PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

*There were no questions from the public.*

Whistler Chamber of  
Commerce Spirit  
Engagement Strategy

## **PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

A presentation was given from Val Litwin, Chief Executive Officer of the Whistler Chamber of Commerce regarding a Spirit Engagement Strategy.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden congratulated all of the Team Canada Sea to Sky Olympic athletes, who competed in the 2014 Winter Games. Fifteen men and women from the region qualified for the 2014 Olympic Winter Games in events including alpine skiing, freestyle skiing, and snowboarding. Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden congratulated three-time Olympian Mike Janyk, who ranked sixteenth in the men's slalom event. Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden added Council is looking forward to celebrating with Mike, Marielle and all of the athletes at a future welcome home ceremony. Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden thanked the Sea to Sky residents, who attended the 2014 Winter Games as officials, coaches, delegations, volunteers and spectators.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden shared that the Resort Municipality of Whistler received a 2014 Lucky Loonie from the Royal Canadian Mint to commemorate Marielle Thompson's 2014 gold medal win in Women's Ski Cross Freestyle Skiing at the 2014 Winter Games. The coin is a special way for Canadians from coast to coast to proudly remember the Canadian Olympic Team's accomplishments at the Games. The coin and letter will be on display at Municipal Hall.

Councillor Andrée Janyk added sentiments regarding Sea to Sky athletes who competed in the 2014 Games. Janyk congratulated the Olympians as well as the younger Whistler athletes who are working towards their goals. Councillor A. Janyk thanked the local families, schools and the community as a whole for continuing to support young athletes throughout the corridor.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden congratulated the four Sea to Sky Paralympians who have all made Team Canada and will be competing in the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games. They include: Tyler Mosher and John Leslie (who recently moved here from Ontario) in para-snowboard and Caleb Brousseau and Matt Hallat in para-alpine.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden shared that new rates are coming to Meadow Park Sports Centre on Tuesday, April 1, 2014. The rates are part of a routine increase, as approved by council in spring 2013. Visit [www.whistler.ca/recreation](http://www.whistler.ca/recreation) or call 604-935-PLAY (7529) for more information.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden passed on her condolences to the family and friends of Whistler resident, Jonathan Unger, 29, who passed away last week after falling into a tree well while snowboarding near Pemberton. This winter there have been two tree well fatalities in the Sea to Sky, one in bounds on Whistler Mountain in January and the other just last week in the Pemberton backcountry. Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden urged those skiing and

boarding to remember mountain safety when skiing in and out of bounds.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden invited writers on behalf of the Resort Municipality of Whistler's Public Art Committee to submit original poems to the sixth annual Poet's Pause Poetry Competition. Poems are commissioned for display at the Poet's Pause sculpture sites in Alta Lake Park and, as part of the Mayor's Poetry Challenge, and will be read at a municipal council meeting in April to celebrate National Poetry Month. Details are available at [www.whistler.ca/poetspause](http://www.whistler.ca/poetspause) and at Municipal Hall. The deadline for submission is March 31.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden reported that the Budget Community open house took place on February 25 and thanked residents and business owners who participated. The open house provided an opportunity for council and staff to share information about the municipal financial planning process, and factors affecting the 2014 budget and Corporate Plan, including results of the 2013 corporate performance indicators. These performance results demonstrated areas where the community and organization are doing well, as well as areas that are in need of ongoing improvement. A virtual open house is available online at [www.whistler.ca/budget](http://www.whistler.ca/budget). Email your budget and taxation questions and comments to [budget@whistler.ca](mailto:budget@whistler.ca). Draft operating and project budgets will be presented at the March 18 regular meeting of council.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden reported she attended the Pacific Pension Institute 2014 Whistler Roundtable last week at the Westin. The Pacific Pension Institute is a nonprofit educational organization, which assists pension funds, corporations, financial institutions and endowments worldwide with carrying out their fiduciary responsibilities, especially with respect to Asia and the Pacific region. Participants were interested to learn more about Whistler's unique history as a resort community, how the resort has adapted to changes as well as the work being done in the community to plan for the future.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden announced an updated Council-led Volunteer Recognition Program, which will include two components: the Whistler Civic Service Awards and Council Recognition Event. The Whistler Civic Service Awards will be awarded to individuals that have served the municipality by contributing to a committee, task force, or board. Up to five awards will be given out annually at a regularly scheduled council meeting. Further details will be available soon. Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden added that there will be a new council recognition event held in an updated format from past years. It was historically a dinner event and going forward, Council will host a reception-style event to recognize all individuals that have contributed to Committees of Council throughout the year. The change of event aims to improve the mingling and networking opportunities of all guests. The reception will take place in spring 2014.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden reported that the Kathy Barnett Leadership Luncheon will take place Friday, March 7 at the Westin Whistler Resort and Spa. The theme of this year's event is "Empowering for Change" with guest speaker Theresa Laurico. The luncheon has raised over \$65,000 for the Kathy Barnett Memorial Fund over the years, and supports women in the community with educational grants. Sea to Sky mentors will include:

- Jordan Sturdy, MLA West Vancouver-Sea to Sky
- Val Litwin, CEO, Whistler Chamber of Commerce
- Claire Ogilvie, Editor, Pique Newsmagazine
- Sheila Kirkwood, Fire Chief, Whistler Fire Rescue Service
- Barrett Fisher, President and CEO, Tourism Whistler and others.

Tickets are still available at [www.whistlerchamber.com/events](http://www.whistlerchamber.com/events) for more information or to buy your tickets.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden congratulated the Whistler Pottery Club, who held a very successful Empty Bowls Foodbank Fundraiser at the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre on February 21. Local potters contributed well over 100 beautiful bowls and the event raised \$3,725.00 for food banks in the Sea to Sky corridor.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden shared a few exciting upcoming sporting events that will be taking place in Whistler this March and April:

- The province's best bobsleigh, skeleton and luge athletes will take to the track at the Whistler Sliding Centre this month with the BC Bobsleigh and Skeleton provincial championships March 15-16 and the BC Luge Association championships March 15-16.
- The 2014 Canadian Alpine Championships on Whistler Mountain feature national alpine and para-alpine events in March, while the ski cross competitors take to the slopes in April.
- Whistler Olympic Park will host the National Championships for Ski Jumping and Nordic Combined March 27-29 and the Woppet cross country ski event March 30.

For more information on these events, visit [www.whistler.com/events](http://www.whistler.com/events).

N. Wilhelm-Morden shared that during the closed meeting earlier in the day, council appointed two people to the Liquor Licence Advisory Committee. Council appointed Brenton Smith to a two-year term as food and beverage sector (restaurants) representative. Council also appointed Colin Hedderson to a two-year term as accommodation sector representative. Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden thanked all members of our committees of council who dedicate their time to important community work.

Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden shared that Whistler's Sister City, Karuizawa, has experienced record-breaking snow levels in the city. According to Mayor Fujimaki, more than 400 vehicles were trapped on national roadways when the snow started falling and numerous families were trapped in their homes. Emergency services were deployed and as of last week, Mayor Fujimaki advised that the situation in Karuizawa was returning to normal, and that there was no loss of life as a result of the extreme snow fall. Karuizawa students will arrive in Whistler later this month as part of the annual Sister City Exchange Program.

Councillor John Grills shared that students from Whistler Secondary School will be performing The Wizard Oz at Millennium Place on March 6 at 7 p.m. and encouraged everyone to support the students and take in the performance. Tickets are available at the box office or at [www.artswhistler.com](http://www.artswhistler.com).

Councillor Jayson Faulkner shared that on March 3, BC Parks announced

that the Management Plan Amendment for the Spearhead Area of Garibaldi Park has been approved and is available for viewing on the BC Parks website. The new management plan provides more information about mountain biking and other topics. Residents are encouraged to view the plan online.

### INFORMATION REPORTS

2014 Festival, Events and  
Animation Update  
Report No. 14-015  
File No. 8216

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk  
Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Information Report No. 14-015 be received.

CARRIED

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

LLR 128 - Conference  
Centre Extension of Hours  
for WSSF Events  
Report No. 14-016  
File No. LLR 128

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton  
Seconded by Councillor J. Faulkner

**That** Council authorize hours of liquor sale until 4:00 am on the night of Saturday, April 12, 2014 at the Whistler Conference Centre;

**That** Council authorize hours of liquor sale until 4:00 am on the night of Saturday, April 19, 2014 at the Whistler Conference Centre; and further,

**That** Council authorize staff to support Tourism Whistler's application to the provincial Liquor Control and Licensing Branch for a Temporary Change to a Liquor License for the events.

CARRIED

Business Licence  
Amendment Bylaw No.  
2040, 2014  
Report No. 14-017  
File No. 4700

Moved by Councillor D. Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor A. Janyk

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third readings to Business Licence Amendment Bylaw No. 2040, 2014.

CARRIED

Parking and Traffic  
Amendment Bylaw No.  
2041, 2014  
Report No. 14-021  
File No. 4700

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

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third reading to Parking and Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 2041, 2014

CARRIED

Section 910 Exemption -  
8488 Bear Paw Trail  
(Flood Proofing)  
Report No. 14-018  
File No. 910 Sec. 0007

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk  
Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council grant an exemption per Section 910 of the Local Government Act – "Construction requirements in relation to flood plain areas", to allow for the construction of a new dwelling at 8488 Bear Paw Trail; and further,

**That** Council authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to execute a Section 219 covenant on the title of the subject property for this exemption, as

outlined in geotechnical report as Appendix "B" to Administrative Report No. 14-018, prepared by Exp Services Inc. and confirming that the property is safe for the use intended.

CARRIED

Zoning Amendment Bylaw  
(LR6 Zone - 5678 Alta  
Lake Road) No. 2039,  
2014  
Report No. 14-019  
File No. RZ 1079

Moved by Councillor J. Grills  
Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council consider giving first and second readings to Zoning Amendment Bylaw (LR6 Zone - 5678 Alta Lake Road) No. 2039, 2014; and further,

**That** Council authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to schedule a public hearing for Zoning Amendment Bylaw (LR6 Zone - 5678 Alta Lake Road) No. 2039, 2014 for April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 and to advertise for same in the local newspaper.

CARRIED

Municipal Ticket  
Information System  
Implementation  
Amendment Bylaw No.  
2002, 2012  
Report No. 14-020  
File No. 800.1

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton  
Seconded by Councillor J. Faulkner

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third reading to Municipal Ticket Information System Implementation Amendment Bylaw No. 2002, 2012.

CARRIED

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

Forest and Wildland  
Committee

Moved by Councillor D. Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor A. Janyk

**That** minutes of the Forest and Wildland Committee meeting of January 8, 2014 be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

#### **BYLAW FOR FIRST AND SECOND READING**

Zoning Amendment Bylaw  
(LR6 Zone – 5678 Alta  
Lake Road) No. 2039,  
2014

Moved by Councillor D. Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor A. Janyk

**That** Council give first and second readings to Zoning Amendment Bylaw (LR6 Zone - 5678 Alta Lake Road) No. 2039, 2014.

CARRIED

#### **BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING**

Business Licence  
Amendment Bylaw No.  
2040, 2014

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

**That** Council give first, second and third readings to Business Licence Amendment Bylaw No. 2040, 2014.

CARRIED

Parking and Traffic  
Amendment Bylaw No.

Moved by Councillor J. Faulkner  
Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

2041, 2014

**That** Council give first, second and third reading to Parking and Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 2041, 2014

CARRIED

Municipal Ticket  
Information System  
Implementation  
Amendment Bylaw No.  
2002, 2012

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

**That** Council give first, second and third reading to Municipal Ticketing Information System Implementation Amendment Bylaw No. 2002, 2012.

CARRIED

### **BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION**

Environmental Protection  
Bylaw No. 2000, 2012

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk  
Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council adopt Environmental Protection Bylaw No. 2000, 2012.

CARRIED

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Letter Regarding  
Legislation Changes of  
Terms of Municipal  
Elected Officials

Moved by Councillor J. Faulkner  
Seconded by Councillor J. Crompton

**That** Council send a letter to the Liberal BC government and the NDP opposition advising that Council is not in favour of the proposed changes in provincial legislation that would increase the terms for municipal officials from three years to four years.

CARRIED

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Cheakamus Cross  
Assistance Letter  
File No. 7002.11

Moved by Councillor J. Grills  
Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Karen Thomson and Alisdair Macaulay, received February 12, 2014, requesting assistance regarding their unit in the Rise in Cheakamus Crossing be received and referred to the Whistler 2020 Development Corporation.

CARRIED

Olympic Animal Cruelty  
File No. 8199

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

**That** correspondence from Peter Hamilton, Director of LifeForce, received February 23, 2014, regarding the Olympic legacy of animal abuses be received.

CARRIED

Spirit Trees Response  
File No. 3009

Moved by Councillor D. Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** correspondence from Brian Wolfgang Becker dated February 19, 2014, regarding comments on the Spirit Tree Functional Art Installations be received.

CARRIED

Metro Vancouver Waste  
Flow Management and  
the Greater Vancouver  
Sewerage and Drainage  
District Recyclable  
Material Regulatory Bylaw  
No. 280  
File No. 4065

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk  
Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Greg Moore, Chair of the Metro Vancouver Board and Malcolm Brodie, Chair of the Zero Waste Committee, dated February 12, 2014, requesting support for the "Metro Vancouver Waste Flow Management and the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Recyclable Material Regulatory Bylaw No. 280" be received.

CARRIED

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor J. Crompton

**That** Council adjourn the March 4, 2014 Council meeting at 6:56 p.m.

CARRIED

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MAYOR: N. Wilhelm-Morden

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CORPORATE OFFICER: S. Story