



# WHISTLER

## MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2014, STARTING AT 5:30 PM**

**In the Franz Wilhelmssen Theatre at Maurice Young Millennium Place  
4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V0N 1B4**

### **PRESENT:**

Acting Mayor J. Crompton

Councillors: J. Faulkner, J. Grills, D. Jackson, A. Janyk, and R.  
McCarthy

ABSENT: Mayor N. Wilhelm-Morden

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey  
Acting 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 Planning, M. Kirkegaard  
Corporate Officer, S. Story  
Manager of Communications, M. Comeau  
Planner, F. Savage  
Planning Analyst, K. Creery  
Recording Secretary, N. Best

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council agenda of January 14, 2014.

CARRIED

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor R. McCarthy  
Seconded by Councillor J. Faulkner

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council minutes of December 17, 2013.

CARRIED

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

Steve Anderson, 3242 Archibald Way asked about the traffic light that is planned to go into the Westside Road and Highway 99 intersection, and if there was discussion about the costs and safety of the option going under the highway for the pedestrians and cyclists.

Joe Paul, General Manager of Infrastructure Services responded at that particular intersection the underpass option was not explored, but there was

exploration for an overpass but the costs were extreme. He added that an underpass is very costly in comparison to modest cost of the signalized pedestrian crossing.

Steve Anderson responded that there is also a cost associated deaths of three people on the roads and he would really like to see thought put into separating pedestrians from the highway.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton stated that the RMOW shares the view of separating pedestrians from the highway, and that an example of that is the offset distance of the valley trail system from the highway.

Steve Anderson asked Council to consider the options for removing pedestrians from the highway and that from his own research he found casements of concrete is not that cost prohibitive to put into place, and he would like to see this happen as a policy.

Councillor A. Janyk responded that in her experience from Squamish, the area around the youth hostel has an underground pedestrian passageways is not as widely used. It was noted that there is a restrictive feeling and fear to use areas like that for being trapped making women feel uncomfortable. Councillor A. Janyk added there is a negative side to underground easements as well as a positive side. It would have to be really well lit and have amenities attached to it for to be used properly.

Councillor R. McCarthy added that he was not fond of the underground passageways after his time in Moscow, concerning the cleanliness, drainage issues, icing in winter. Councillor R. McCarthy added that and he is concerned about the policy on Highway 99 that there is light at Bayshores, Creekside, and that we are just going to increase the jam the traffic to the village. Councillor R. McCarthy continued that he is not sure of the perfect solution, and that roundabouts are not that friendly for pedestrians, but it is a possible solution, but not the perfect one.

## **PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

### **2013 RCMP Detachment Performance Plan**

A presentation was given from RCMP Inspector Neil Cross regarding the Whistler RCMP 2013-2014 Detachment Performance Plan.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton on behalf of council and the Resort Municipality of Whistler, extended deepest condolences to Doug Fox and his family following the passing of his wife Margaret. Doug, Margaret and their daughter Catherine were involved in a tragic motor vehicle accident earlier this month. For those who may not be aware, Doug was a municipal councillor from 1984 to 1986. During the early 80s, Doug was the director of the Whistler Village Land Company and was also a partner in the Whistler insurance company BDO Dunwoody for many years until his retirement about ten years ago.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton reported that Former Mexican President Vicente Fox visited Whistler during the holiday season. Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Fox and take him on a walking tour of

the Village, which included a ride on the Peak to Peak Gondola. Acting Mayor J. Crompton thanked Dave Brownlie from Whistler Blackcomb and Norman Mastalir from the Fairmont Chateau Whistler, for their support and time.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton, on behalf of the RMOW announced the appointment of Chris Nelson to the position of deputy fire chief for the Whistler Fire Rescue Service. Chris brings with him extensive knowledge and background in firefighting operations and organizational leadership. Chris previously served as captain with the Whistler Fire Rescue Service. Chris assumed the position of deputy fire chief effective today.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton reported that Whistler lived up to its reputation as a great place for celebration and festivities this holiday period, with thousands of visitors and residents taking part in family-fun activities in Whistler Village. Highlights included:

- The Whistler Holiday Experience indoor family fun zone saw an average of 1,400 people attend each day from December 20 to January 5.
- New this year, Family Après saw more than 500 people each night at Whistler Olympic Plaza.
- Skating at Whistler Olympic Plaza, now it is third year, had an average daily attendance of over 500 skaters, up 25 per cent from last year.
- The festive atmosphere in Whistler Village remained strong into the New Year, with approximately 5,000 people ringing in 2014 at the Whistler Presents: New Year's Eve Celebration.
- This family friendly programming enhances the Whistler experience, and Acting Mayor J. Crompton thanked partners Tourism Whistler, Whistler Blackcomb, the Whistler Arts Council and Watermark Communications who came together to make this programming possible.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton reported that in 2013 the Resort Municipality of Whistler received a total of \$7.008 million in RMI funding. The Province develops annual funding allocations based on accommodation generated in each community during the previous calendar year. The RMI program has allowed Whistler to invest in many important programs and services to build tourism since it was implemented in 2006, including:

- The FE&A program,
- The Village Host Program,
- Construction of Whistler Olympic Plaza and the permanent ice surface,
- The Sea to Sky Trail,
- Bayly Park, and
- The Public Art Program.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton thanked the Province for their investment through this important program to support and build tourism in British Columbia.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton invited community members to an information open house on Monday, January 20, 2014 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Myrtle Philip Community School to learn more about the proposed Environmental Protection Bylaw. The proposed bylaw will give the Resort Municipality of

Whistler a clear, consistent and comprehensive tool to:

- Protect streams;
- Meet and exceed Province's requirements under the Riparian Area Regulations;
- Provide a clear tree cutting permit process;
- Manage invasive plant species; and
- Enforce OCP Development Permit environmental guidelines.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton announced that the Lost Lake Cross-Country Ski and Snowshoe Trails will officially open for the 2013/2014 winter season effective Wednesday, January 15, 2014. Acting Mayor J. Crompton noted that thanks to the significant snowfall in the past week, the Lost Lake Snowshoe Trails opened today and the cross-country trails will open tomorrow. January 14 will be the last day of operations for cross-country skiing on Whistler Mountain. As a result of the lack of early winter snowfall in the valley, the RMOW and Whistler Blackcomb worked in partnership to open a 1.4-kilometre loop groomed and track-set for skate and classic skiing on Whistler Mountain on December 21, 2013. For more information on passes and conditions, visit the RMOW's cross-country webpage.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton reported that the second BC Family Day will take place on Monday, February 10, 2014. Whistler will be joining other BC ski resorts in the province to provide a promotion for BC Family Day. Whistler Blackcomb will provide BC Residents with the opportunity to ski Whistler Blackcomb on Family Day at 50 per cent off regular lift ticket prices, when booked with accommodation. The RMOW will provide a 50 per cent discount at municipal facilities for residents and visitors:

- Lost Lake Cross Country Ski and Snowshoe Trails
- Skating rentals at Whistler Olympic Plaza (admission is free)
- Meadow Park Sports Centre family drop-in or all day admissions
- Stay tuned to [whistler.ca](http://whistler.ca) for more information.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton reported that the Whistler Transit System is preparing the 2014 spring/summer/fall schedule. A draft of the 2014 spring/summer/fall base schedule will be posted on the [whistler.ca](http://whistler.ca) transit web page later this week and will be available for one week. Please e-mail feedback to [transit@whistler.ca](mailto:transit@whistler.ca) by Thursday, January 23, 2014. Acting Mayor J. Crompton added that feedback can be provided to the Whistler Transit System any time using their Customer Service Report which can be found under "Contact Us" at [www.bctransit.com/regions/whi](http://www.bctransit.com/regions/whi).

Acting Mayor J. Crompton reported that the Resort Municipality of Whistler is currently offering a Christmas Tree Drop-off Program for residents. Christmas trees can be dropped off free of charge at the Function Junction Compactor Site or the Nester's Compactor Site. Both locations will accept trees until January 31, 2014. After that date, trees must be dropped off at the Transfer Station, located on the Callaghan Valley Road 15 km south of Whistler off Highway 99.

Acting Mayor J. Crompton reported Council appointed members to three council committees earlier today in the closed meeting.

Council appointed the following members to the Recreation and Leisure Advisory Committee:

Returning members:

- Bob Calladine (2013 RLAC member)
- Murray Lunn (2013 RLAC member)
- Stephanie Sloan (2013 RLAC member)

New members:

- John Konig
- Colin Pitt-Taylor
- Roger Soane
- Eric Wight

Council reappointed all eight professional and public-at-large members of the 2013 Advisory Design Panel for the 2014 term as follows:

- Dennis Maguire
- Doug Nelson
- Tom Bunting
- Pawel Gradowski
- Crosland Doak
- Dale Mikkelsen
- Eric Callender
- Chris Wetaski

Council also appointed two members to the Liquor License Advisory Committee:

- Terry Clark to a two-year term as food and beverage sector (nightclubs) representative.
- Ian Lowe to a second two-year term as the accommodation sector representative.

Councillor J. Faulkner reported that he met with elected officials from around the Howe Sound to discuss issues of concern for Howe Sound, a vision for the future and how to protect what is important to the area. MP John Weston, Mayor Jordan Sturdy (Pemberton), MLA West Vancouver – Sea to Sky, members of the local First Nations, regional boards and municipalities all had representatives at the table. Councillor J. Faulkner added that this is the second of two major forums. The last forum was on September 25, 2013, and attracted 43 participants from local governments, regional boards and observers with an interest in Howe Sound.

Councillor Andrée Janyk reported that she attended the Mature Action Committee's (MAC) town hall meeting. The town hall meeting included roundtable discussions about the limitations of aging in place, what types of programs and services will keep seniors in Whistler and what will provoke them to move away. The meeting was well received with about 60 people in attendance. Councillor Janyk said she was interested to see what will come out of the meeting and the recommendations that will be brought forward.

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

LLR 1167 – El Furniture  
Warehouse Permanent  
Changes to a Food  
Primary Licence  
Report No. 14-001  
File No. LLR 1167

*Councillor J. Grills stated a conflict of interest that he is the owner of the property where the El Furniture Warehouse Restaurant is located and left the meeting at 6:06 p.m.*

Moved by Councillor D. Jackson  
Seconded by Councillor R. McCarthy

**That** Council authorize the resolutions attached as Appendix “A” to Administrative Report No. 14-001 providing Council’s recommendation to the BC Liquor Control and Licensing Branch in support of an application from El Furniture Warehouse Restaurant for a Permanent Change to Licensed Hours of Sale for Food Primary License No. 171712, to extend hours of sale to 9:00 am to 1:00 am Monday through Sunday; and further,

**That** Council pass the resolutions attached as Appendix “B” to Administrative Report No. 14 -001 providing Council’s recommendation to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch regarding an Application from El Furniture Warehouse Restaurant for a Structural Change for Food Primary License No. 171712 to permit a 20 seat restaurant lounge.

CARRIED

*Councillor J. Grills returned to the meeting at 6:13 p.m.*

Land Use Procedures  
and Fees Amendment  
Bylaw No. 2038, 2013  
Report No. 14-002

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

Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw No. 2038, 2013  
Report No. 14-002

CARRIED

DVP 1076 - 5598 Alta  
Lake Road - Setback  
Variances  
Report No. 14-003  
File No. DVP 1076

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

**That** Council approve Development Variance Permit 1076 to vary setback regulations for proposed roof overhangs at 5598 Alta Lake Road as follows:

1. Vary the front setback from 6.6 metres to 0.5 metres for the proposed roof overhang;
2. Vary the south side setback from 2.0 metres to 1.11 metres for the proposed roof overhang; and
3. Vary the rear setback from 6.6 metres to 1.77 metres for the proposed roof overhang,

to the extent shown on the building plans attached to Council Report No.14-003 as Appendix “B”.

CARRIED

Annual Filing - Whistler  
Housing Authority  
Report No 14-004

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

File No. Vault

**WHEREAS** the Resort Municipality of Whistler is the sole shareholder of Whistler Housing Authority Ltd. ("the Company");

**PURSUANT** to the Articles of the Company, the following resolutions are passed as resolutions of the sole shareholder of the Company, duly consented to in writing by all of the directors of the sole shareholder of the Company.

**That** Council waive the requirement of holding an Annual General Meeting of the shareholder of Whistler Housing Authority Ltd., deemed to be held on December 7, 2013;

**That** Council accept the attached Financial Statements of Whistler Housing Authority Ltd. for the year ending December 31, 2012;

**That** Council resolve that the following persons be and are hereby appointed directors of the Company, so that the Board of Directors is therefore composed of the following seven persons, to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting or until their successors are elected or appointed:

Jonathan Decaigny  
Sharon Fugman  
Brian Good  
John Grills  
Michael Hutchison  
Duane Jackson  
Nancy Wilhelm-Morden;

**That** Council endorse the appointment of BDO Canada as auditor of Whistler Housing Authority Ltd. for the current fiscal year; and further

**That** the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the annual Shareholder's Resolutions as attached (in lieu of the 2013 Annual General Meeting) of Whistler Housing Authority Ltd.

CARRIED

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

Advisory Design Panel

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

**That** minutes of the Advisory Design Panel Committee meeting of November 20, 2013 be received.

CARRIED

Public Art Committee

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

**That** minutes of the Public Art Committee meeting of October 23, 2013. be received.

CARRIED

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

Land Use Procedures  
and Fees Amendment  
Bylaw No. 2038, 2013

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

The purpose of Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw 2038, 2013 is to establish an appropriate fee structure for antenna system applications.

CARRIED

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

ISACA Vancouver  
Privacy and Security  
Awareness Day  
Proclamation Request  
File No. 3009.1

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

**That** correspondence from Charles Wordsworth on behalf of the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA), dated December 11, 2013, requesting that Council proclaim February 6, 2014 as British Columbia Privacy and Security Awareness Day be received and proclaimed.

CARRIED

Local Government  
Elections Reform  
File No. 9120

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk  
Seconded by Councillor R. McCarthy

**That** correspondence from Coralee Oakes, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development dated December 12, 2013, requesting feedback on local government elections reform be received.

CARRIED

BC Healthy Communities  
Society Grant  
File No. 9070.6

Moved by Councillor J. Faulkner  
Seconded by Councillor R. McCarthy

**That** correspondence from Paul Martiquet, Medical Health Officer for Vancouver Coastal Health, dated December 20, 2013, regarding the Healthy BC Communities Initiative be received.

CARRIED

Zoning and Parking Bylaw  
No. 303, 1083  
Recommendations  
(Houseguests)  
File No. 7625

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

**That** correspondence from Alan G. Whitney and Irene E. Whitney, dated December 31, 2013, regarding Zoning and Parking Bylaw No. 303, 1983 recommendations for houseguests be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Pride Week Proclamation  
Request  
File No. 3009.1

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



**That** correspondence from Dean Nelson, CEO and Executive Producer of GayWhistler dated January 3, 2014, requesting that Council proclaim the week of January 26<sup>th</sup> to February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 as Pride Week and during the week hang the Rainbow Flag at Municipal Hall be received and proclaimed.  
CARRIED

Forests as Carbon  
Credits  
File No. 8221

Moved by Councillor R. McCarthy  
Seconded by Councillor J. Faulkner

**That** correspondence from Tracey Saxby, received January 6, 2014, regarding information about using forests as carbon credits be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor A. Janyk

**That** Council adjourn the January 14, 2013 Council meeting at 6:22 p.m.  
CARRIED

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ACTING MAYOR: J. Crompton

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CORPORATE OFFICER: S. Story