



**REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 5:30 p.m.
Remote Meeting
To attend via Zoom go to www.whistler.ca/CouncilMeetings

PRESENT: Mayor J. Crompton
Councillor A. De Jong
Councillor J. Ford
Councillor R. Forsyth
Councillor J. Grills
Councillor D. Jackson
Councillor C. Jewett

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Administrative Officer, V. Cullen
General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, T. Battiston
General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey
General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Gresley-Jones
Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard
Director of Finance, C. Price
Director of Human Resources, D. Wood
Manager of Corporate Projects, M. Comeau
Economic Development and Tourism Recovery Manager, T. Metcalf
Manager of Communications, G. Robinson
Manager of Finance, A. Palmer
Manager of Protective Services, L. DeBou
Capital Projects Manager, T. Shore
Manager of Development Services, J. Ertel
Capital Projects Supervisor, C. Roberts
Planner, R. Licko
Planner, B. McCrady
Planner, L. Clarke
Emergency Program Coordinator, R. Donohue
Climate Action Coordinator, L. Burhenne
Deputy Corporate Officer, A. Banman
Council Coordinator, M. Miklea

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. Crompton recognized that the Meeting is being held on the unceded territories of the Lil'wat Nation and the Squamish Nation and that we are grateful to be here having this Meeting tonight.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of April 20, 2021 as amended due to administrative error to add under Other Business a Motion regarding Neighbourhood Speed Limits.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 6, 2021; and

That Council adopt the Special Council Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2021.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

Condolences

On behalf of Council and the Resort Municipality of Whistler, Mayor Crompton would like to share condolences with the family and friends of Michael Jakobson.

COVID-19 Update

Council is grateful to the Province and Vancouver Coastal Health for providing last week's vaccination clinic in our community to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

Our community has been hit hard by COVID-19 this year. Now that everyone is receiving these vaccinations, the end is in sight, please remember that getting vaccinated doesn't mean everyone can go back to pre-COVID life, it takes at least three weeks for our immune system to build protection against COVID-19 from the vaccine.

Please continue to protect yourself and others by continuing to follow all Public Health Orders and guidelines. This means avoiding indoor gatherings and continuing to wear masks in public and stay at least two metres from people not in your household. We need to make these vaccination efforts count. Please be responsible and follow the guidelines so that we can do our part to stop the spread of COVID-19.

VCH is planning for an additional clinic in the future to accommodate eligible Whistler adults who are currently isolating. More information will be available at www.vch.ca/whistler.

Yesterday, the Province announced that all current COVID guidelines and orders will remain in place for the next five weeks and stronger province-wide restrictions to curb non-essential travel will come into effect this weekend.

Mayor Crompton is asking everyone to continue to follow the current guidelines and orders and to avoid non-essential travel. Please stay close to home and not travel for leisure and recreation.

Mayor and Council know that this is challenging after over a year of COVID-19 restrictions but it is important for everyone to follow all of these restrictions and guidelines so that we can enjoy travel and getting together with others this summer.

Please do your part to slow the spread of COVID-19 so that Whistler residents can get back to doing what they love. The word solidarity is pertinent right now.

Mayor Crompton would also like to note how well and tirelessly everyone had pitched in that worked at the vaccination clinic, made this an effective effort. Also a big thank you to everyone who got vaccinated. Not only are you protecting yourself but also this community.

Yard Waste

Free residential yard waste disposal is now available at the Function Junction Waste Depot. The depot is open daily from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Commercial waste and trailers are not permitted at the Function Junction Depot. Residential loads larger than a pickup bed full must be dropped off at the Callaghan Transfer Station.

Yard waste drop off is not available at the Nesters Waste Depot due to COVID-19 safety protocols.

To learn more about accepted materials and the measures to protect depot users from COVID-19, visit whistler.ca/YardWaste.

Thursday is Earth Day (April 22)

Earth Day marks the anniversary of the birth of the modern environmental movement.

It goes without saying that a healthy natural environment in Whistler is critical to our ability to deliver world class tourism, recreation and a high quality of life.

Mayor Crompton hopes Thursday motivates you to get involved in climate action, our Big Moves, highway clean-ups, zero waste, ecosystem rehabilitation or biodiversity protection and advocacy.

The annual Pitch-In Day is back on May 1

Since 1989, the RMOW has organized an annual Pitch-In Day in the spring when the snow has cleared. Join volunteers, including community groups and local sports associations, and gather to clear litter from Emerald to Function Junction.

Picking up litter along roadways is an important way to protect natural habitats from toxins because garbage left in ditches is easily blown or washed into creeks, forests, and other sensitive areas.

Volunteers will focus on the subdivision roads since Highway 99's ditches are cleared later in the spring by Miller Capilano Maintenance.

Those interested in participating can pick up free Pitch-In waste bags and gloves from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the Public Works Yard.

Music Festivals

The World Ski and Snowboard Festival (WSSF) returns for its 25th year in a digital format that combines arts, music, and sport. Join virtually on Friday, April 23 and 30 from 6 – 8 p.m. More information is available at www.wssf.com.

Annual Community Life Survey

There is still time to register for the annual Community Life Survey. New this year, anyone interested in participating must pre-register in order to receive the online survey. Registration has been extended until Tuesday, April 27.

Visit www.whistler.ca/survey to sign-up.

2030 Olympics and Paralympics

Last Friday, Mayor Crompton joined the Greater Vancouver Board of Trade for a discussion around their concept of a BC 2030 Olympics and Paralympics.

Mayor and Council would love to hear your thoughts on what it would mean for us, good and bad, to be a part of the discussion on a 2030 event.

Provincial Throne Speech

Last week, the Province gave their annual throne speech, outlining their priorities for the coming year.

The Province announced that they will be providing an additional \$2 billion in development financing through BC's Housing Hub to finance the construction of thousands of new homes for middle-income families.

Marla Zucht, General Manager of the Whistler Housing Authority, was present for the announcement. This is great news for the WHA team and evidence of Whistler's important contributions to affordable housing in British Columbia.

Zero Ceiling 2021

Zero Ceiling had their annual general meeting. It was a great event. Congratulations on their very good work.

One Year With CAO

Mayor and Council congratulated CAO G. Cullen, marking her 1-year anniversary working at RMOW.

Art Update

Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre (SLCC) is temporarily closed and will reopen April 29. The SLCC will open with a new exhibit Boarder X which will feature local and international indigenous artists who focus on skateboarding, snowboarding and surfing to show their knowledge of and their connection to the land.

At the Audain Art Museum, coming up April 24 it's the Illuminate Gala. Tonight is the cut off for tickets. A delicious meal from the Lazy Gourmet will be delivered to your home. Online silent auction as well as a Live Auction are available to attendees and those not

attending. Fine Art is on the block. Go to Audainartmuseum.com to participate. You could take home an original Gordon Smith or Jack Shadbolt.

The Whistler Museum is open. The Land of Thundering Snow avalanche exhibit continues. If you have kids be sure to pick up the free Activity Book.

Reach Out! Arts Whistler and Whistler Community Services Society (WCSS) have partnered in a campaign to raise awareness and funds for Mental Health.

Artist Aurora Moore has designed a pin to show your support. Individuals and businesses are asked to go to ArtsWhistler.com to order "Reach Out" pins. Councillor Jewett has already placed an order and added a donation. Reach out to WCSS Outreach are there with no cost.

Teeny Tiny Art Show is on now at the Maury Young Art Centre. Hundreds of tiny pieces of art are available for you to enjoy and available for purchase so that you can take them home and enjoy them forever.

Nominate an arts Champion - do you know a Whistlerite that brings the beauty of art and inspires others to share the love in our town?

Lifting the Community is an art project that brings retired Cat Skinner chairs to new life as works of art and will be auctioned later this year.

Get your Whistler Off Road Cycling Association membership get memberships if you can in any of the community arts institutions like The Point, Arts Whistler, SLCC, Whistler Museum. Give generously if you are able to our social service non profits such as WCSS and Howe Sound Women's Centre.

6. INFORMATION REPORTS

6.1 Cross Connection Control Program - Update No. 21-040 File No. E210

Moved By Councillor J. Grills

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive Information Report 21-040 regarding Cross Connection Control Program – Update.

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1 DVP01209 – 3254 Arbutus Drive – Front Setback Variance Report No. 21-041 File No. DVP01209

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP01209 for the proposed development located at 3254 Arbutus Drive to:

1. Vary the front setback from 7.6 to 7.3 metres for a portion of the dwelling's foundation wall,

all as shown on the Architectural plans A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8 dated March 5, 2021 prepared by C.S. Clark attached as Appendix B to Administrative Report to Council No. 21-041.

CARRIED

7.2 DVP01205 – 5606 Alta Lake Road – Rear Setback Variance Report No. 21-042 File No. DVP01205

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP01205 for the proposed new development located at 5606 Alta Lake Road to:

1. Vary the rear setback from 7.6 metres to 3.2 metres for a new detached dwelling,

all as shown on the Architectural Plans A0.1, A1.1, A2.2, A2.3, A2.4, A2.5, A3.1 and A3.2, dated March 15, 2021, prepared by Brigitte Loranger Architecture & Planning Ltd. attached as Appendix C to Administrative Report to Council No. 21-042.

CARRIED

7.3 2021 Community Enrichment Program Grant Funding Awards Report No. 21-043 File No. 3004

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council approve the 2021 Community Enrichment Program grants funded from general revenue as follows:

- Association of Whistler Residents for the Environment \$3,000
- Whistler Naturalists Society \$3,000
- Community Foundation of Whistler \$3,000
- Howe Sound Women's Centre – Prevention, Education, Advocacy, Counselling and Empowerment \$8,000
- Howe Sound Women's Centre – Whistler Women's Centre – Drop-In \$13,000
- Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society \$6,000

- Sea to Sky Community Services Society – Better At Home \$4,500
- Sea to Sky Community Services Society – Whistler Parent-Tot \$5,000
- Whistler Community Services Society – Counselling Assistance Program \$14,000
- Whistler Institute of Learning Society \$5,000
- Whistler Mature Action Community \$2,000
- Whistler Multicultural Society – Multicultural Community Kitchen \$5,000
- Whistler Multicultural Society – Resilience BC Anti-Racism Network \$4,000
- Whistler Waldorf School Society \$2,000
- Zero Ceiling Society of Canada – Work 2 Live Program \$8,000
- BC Luge Association \$2,000
- Sea to Sky Nordics \$4,000
- Whistler Adaptive Sports Program \$7,000
- Whistler Blackcomb Freestyle Ski Club \$1,600
- Whistler Disc Golf Club \$1,000
- Whistler Gymnastics Club \$3,000
- Whistler Minor Hockey Association \$1,750
- Whistler Mountain Ski Club \$4,000
- Whistler Nordics Ski Club \$3,500
- Whistler Sailing Association \$4,000
- Whistler Sea Wolves Swim Club \$3,000
- Whistler Skating Club \$4,350
- Whistler Slo Pitch Association – Batting Cage \$5,000
- Whistler Sport Legacies \$4,100
- Whistler Youth Soccer \$6,000
- The Point Artist-Run Society \$4,000
- The Whistler Writing Society \$2,500
- Whistler Singers \$1,500
- Whistler Valley Quilters' Guild Society \$2,000

- Whistler Secondary Scholarships \$2,000
- **TOTAL** \$151,800

CARRIED

7.4 Sewer Lift Station Odour Control Upgrade Project – Contract Award No. 21-044 File No. E301-01-02-03_2021

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council award the contract for the Sewer Lift Station Odor Control Upgrade project in the amount of \$1,513,885.00 (exclusive of GST) to Drake Excavating (2016) Ltd. in accordance with their tender proposal dated March 9, 2021.

CARRIED

7.5 Help Cities Lead Climate Advocacy Campaign Report No. 21-045 File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council endorse the Help Cities Lead campaign;

That Council direct staff to write a letter to the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District requesting regional endorsement of the campaign; and further

That Council direct staff to write a letter to the following provincial ministers to voice Council's support for the five policies detailed in this Report:

- Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
- Minister of Municipal Affairs
- Minister of Energy, Mines, and Low-Carbon Innovation
- Minister of Finance
- Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing

CARRIED

7.6 UBCM Strengthening Communities' Services Grant Report No. 21-046 File No. 854

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council endorse the grant application to the Union of B.C Municipalities', for the Community and Indigenous Outreach, and Temporary Housing Initiative under the Strengthening Communities' Services funding stream to a maximum of \$450,000;

That Council support the proposed activities in this grant application;

That Council support the Resort Municipality of Whistler Emergency Program providing overall grant management for the project, if funding is successful; and further

That Council support the addition of a new project to the Five Year Financial Plan to track and accommodate the spending, and direct staff to bring forward a future amendment to the Five Year Financial Plan for Council consideration.

CARRIED

7.7 Public Hearing Summary and Third Reading for Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Mountain Ski Club) No. 2256, 2020 No. 21-047 File No. RZ001152

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council consider giving third reading to "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Mountain Ski Club) No. 2256, 2020".

CARRIED

7.8 2021 Property Tax and Utility Rate Bylaws Report No. 21-048 File Nos. 2315, 2316, 2317

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council consider giving first, second, and third readings to the following bylaws:

- "Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2315, 2021";
- "Water Tax Bylaw No. 2316, 2021"; and
- "Sewer Tax Bylaw No. 2317, 2021".

CARRIED

7.9 Five-Year Financial Plan 2021-2025 Amendment Bylaw No. 2314, 2021 No. 21-049 File No. 2314

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council consider giving first, second, and third readings to the “Five-Year Financial Plan 2021-2025 Amendment Bylaw No. 2314, 2021”.

CARRIED

7.10 Alta Lake Road Sewer Extension Project – Contract Award Report No. 21-050 File No. E32007-2021

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council award the contract for the Alta Lake Road Sewer Upgrade project in the amount of \$898,000.00 (exclusive of GST) to Conwest Contracting Ltd. in accordance with their tender proposal dated March 8, 2021.

CARRIED

7.11 Alta Lake Road Residential Sewage Pump Stations – Contract Award Report No. 21-051 File No. E32009-2021

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council award the contract for the supply of the Alta Lake Road residential sewage pump stations in the amount of \$654,258.00 (exclusive of GST) to Engineered Pump Systems Ltd. in accordance with their proposal dated February 23, 2021.

CARRIED

7.12 Alta Vista Services Upgrade Project – Phase 2 Contract Award Report No. 21-052 File No. E205-E320-2021

Mayor J. Crompton declared a recess at 8:37 p.m.

Mayor J. Crompton reconvened the Meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council award the contract for the second phase of the Alta Vista Services Upgrade Project in the amount of \$8,733,143.00 (exclusive of GST) to Coastal Mountain Excavations in accordance with their tender proposal dated March 23, 2021.

CARRIED

8. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

8.1 Transportation Advisory Group

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Transportation Advisory Group of October 8, 2020.

CARRIED

9. BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

9.1 Five-Year Financial Plan 2021-2025 Amendment Bylaw No. 2314, 2021

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council give "Five-Year Financial Plan 2021-2025 Amendment Bylaw No. 2314, 2021" first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

9.2 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2315, 2021

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council give "Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2315, 2021" first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

9.3 Water Tax Bylaw No. 2316, 2021

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council give "Water Tax Bylaw No. 2316, 2021" first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

9.4 Sewer Tax Bylaw No. 2317, 2021

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council give "Sewer Tax Bylaw No. 2317, 2021" first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS FOR THIRD READING

10.1 Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Mountain Ski Club) No. 2256, 2020

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council give "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Mountain Ski Club) No. 2256, 2020" third reading.

CARRIED

11. BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

11.1 Alta Lake Road Sewer Extension Local Area Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2237, 2021

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council adopt "Alta Lake Road Sewer Extension Local Area Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2237, 2021".

CARRIED

11.2 Solid Waste Amendment Bylaw (Tipping Fees) No. 2305, 2020

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council adopt "Solid Waste Amendment Bylaw (Tipping Fees) No. 2305, 2020".

CARRIED

11.3 Cheakamus Crossing Affordable Employee Housing Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 2307, 2021

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council adopt "Cheakamus Crossing Affordable Employee Housing Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 2307, 2021".

CARRIED

12. OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 Bylaw Enforcement Officer Appointment

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council appoint Heather Fulcher as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to section 36 of the *Police Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c 367 and, upon Heather Fulcher swearing the oath pursuant to section 1(b) of Police Oath/Solemn Affirmation Regulation, B.C. Reg. 136/2002 before a Commissioner for taking Affidavits in the Province of British Columbia, will perform the functions and duties specified in the Bylaw Officers job descriptions.

CARRIED

12.2 Reducing Neighbourhood Speed Limits

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council direct staff to prepare a report outlining the implementation process and timing to reduce the speed limit for appropriate municipal neighbourhood roadways to 30kph including all required budget amendments, bylaws and other information as necessary to advance the initiative.

CARRIED

13. CORRESPONDENCE

13.1 High School Bus Passes Plan File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council receive correspondence from WeiTien Ho and friends, regarding High School Bus Passes and refer it to the Transport Advisory Group.

CARRIED

13.2 Opioid Crisis and Call for Overdose Action Plan File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from Lyn Hall, Mayor of Prince George, regarding the Opioid Crisis and Call for Overdose Action Plan.

CARRIED

13.3 Support for Laid-off Hotel and Tourism Industry Workers File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from Lisa Helps, Mayor of the City of Victoria, regarding Support for Laid-off Hotel and Tourism Industry Workers and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

13.4 B.C. Government's Use of Provincial Paramountcy to Undermine Local Government Bylaws File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council receive correspondence from John Vassilaki, Mayor of the City of Penticton, regarding B.C. Government's Use of Provincial Paramountcy to Undermine Local Government Bylaws.

CARRIED

13.5 Survival of the Spotted Owl File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from Joe Foy, Wilderness Committee, regarding Survival of the Spotted Owl.

CARRIED

13.6 Time to Stop Logging Old Forests File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from Kate Swerhun and Jane Millen regarding Stopping the Logging of Old Forests.

CARRIED

13.7 Permit Requirement Bylaw for Re-Roofing Existing Homes File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council receive and refer to staff correspondence from Peter Pocklington regarding a Permit Requirement Bylaw for Re-Roofing Existing Homes.

CARRIED

13.8 Proclamation Requests

a. Human Values Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council receive correspondence from Manish Rughani, Walk For Values Team and proclaim April 24, 2021 as Human Values Day.

CARRIED

13.9 Light-Up Requests

a. Europe Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from Ambassador Melita Gabric, European Union Delegation in Ottawa, refer it to staff and that the bridge be lit blue and green on May 9, 2021.

CARRIED

14. TERMINATION

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council terminate the Regular Council Meeting of April 20, 2021 at 9:16 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, J. Crompton

Corporate Officer, B. Browning