

REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020, 5:30 p.m. Remote Meeting

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PRESENT: Mayor J. Crompton

Councillor A. De Jong Councillor R. Forsyth Councillor J. Ford 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 Interim General Manager of Resort Experience, T. Metcalf

Director of Finance, C. Price

Manager of Communications, M. Comeau

Municipal Clerk, A. Banman

Capital Projects Manager, T. Shore Council Coordinator, N. Cooper

Manager of Financial Services, M. Peatfield

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. Crompton recognized that the Meeting is being held on the traditional territories of the Lil'wat Nation and the Squamish Nation.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of July 21, 2020.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 7, 2020.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

Community Conversations

Mayor J. Crompton thanked everyone who has participated in one of the Community Conversations, or shared their experiences through Thoughtexchange. He noted that three community conversations have been held over the past week, talking about Sense of Place with Heather Paul, the Environment with Mike Douglas, and our Tourism-based economy with Danielle Kristmanson. He noted that these conversations help the RMOW understand the individual and shared experiences through the COVID-19 pandemic. The feedback and ideas shared will help inform the path forward. The final Community Conversation is taking place on Thursday, July 23 at 5 p.m. and it will be about community with Chris Wrightson. Mayor J. Crompton noted that members of the community can also share their thoughts online through the platform Thoughtexchange until July 25. He encouraged people to revisit the site and add more thoughts and see new thoughts that have been added by our community. For more information visit whistler.ca/communityconversations.

Face Masks

Mayor J. Crompton noted that everyone has a role to play in protecting ourselves and others from the spread of COVID-19. He asked people to consider wearing a mask when it is difficult to maintain proper physical distancing. He added that masks are not a replacement for hand washing, staying home when sick, and maintaining a 2 metre distance, but should be considered in places where physical distancing is challenging, such as Whistler Village. He noted that the RMOW has placed new signage around Whistler Village to help share this message.

Adventure Smart

Mayor J. Crompton reminded everyone that before heading out on the trails in Whistler this summer, to make sure they are adventure smart by being prepared and, be kind and always respect fellow trail users with physical distancing. This includes taking the 10 essentials, respect the environment and always staying within your ability. More information can be found online at whistler.ca/adventuresmart.

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District new Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor J. Crompton noted that the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District announced the appointment of their new Chief Administrative Officer last week. Melany Helmer will be joining the SLRD as CAO, effective September 8, 2020. Her previous experience includes being CAO at the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako. On behalf of Council and the RMOW Mayor J. Crompton welcomed Melany and her family to the region.

Outdoor fitness classes at Meadow Park Sports Centre

Mayor J. Crompton noted that outdoor fitness classes at Meadow Park Sports Centre began again on July 13. For the class schedule, details about how to purchase a COVID-19 class pass, and to register for outdoor classes go to whistler.ca/fitness

Kids on the Go

Mayor J. Crompton noted that the Kids on the Go program will be moving to a contactless registration process this year. This means families will not line up in person to register for Kids on the Go programs for the 2020/2021 school year. As with previous years, families are asked to register only for the days they are certain they will require afterschool care to accommodate as many families as possible. Families with children who attended Kids on the Go from January 2019 to August 2020 need to email kotg@whistler.ca by Monday, August 3, 2020 with all of their requested dates for the 2020-2021 school year. New families will be able to register for a waitlist position on Sunday, August 9. Visit whistler.ca/kotg for more information.

Western Toadlet Migration

Mayor J. Crompton noted that residents and visitors heading to Lost Lake Park will notice some excitement over the next few weeks as tens of thousands of tiny Western "toadlets" will soon start the great migration from the shores of Lost Lake into the surrounding forest. Lost Lake Park is the breeding ground for Whistler's largest Western Toad population. Whistler is lucky to host such a large population of this sensitive species. Despite being barely the size of a dime, the Western toadlets are an integral part of the Lost Lake ecology. The RMOW has been monitoring the Western Toads at Lost Lake since 2005. Mayor J. Crompton noted that due to COVID-19 protocols, this vear the RMOW will not allow volunteers to help move the toads. However, new for this year, the RMOW has built new infrastructure to help the toads migrate safely. A toad underpass has been constructed under the Valley Trail just behind the events lawn and a toad boardwalk has been constructed under Blackcomb Creek Bridge, at the intersection of Lost Lake Loop and Cedar Way. These are the first of several infrastructure upgrades that are planned to be built over the next few years. The RMOW has also installed a permanent migration corridor fence that safely guides the toadlets out of the park area. In addition to the fencing, some temporary signage will be installed during the migration to advise the public where the toadlets are migrating. Mayor J. Crompton noted that these efforts should greatly reduce toadlet mortalities and help reduce trail closures and detours. Currently there are thousands of tadpoles congregating along beach area in the warm, shallow water of Lost Lake, and Mayor J. Crompton asked people to avoid touching them as they are extremely sensitive and oils from our skin can harm them. Migration should start shortly and typically takes two to four weeks. During migration, the Lost Lake access road and parking lot will be closed to all vehicle traffic. The Beach Cut trail will also be closed when the toads start to migrate as it is a migration path which they use every year. Lost Lake Beach and adjacent lawn areas will remain open but may be subject to closure if toadlets begin to migrate through the area. Learn more at whistler.ca/toads.

Whistler Podcast

Mayor J. Crompton noted that the latest edition of the Whistler Podcast is now live. He was joined by Whistler personality Feet Banks to discuss the characteristics that make Whistler a one-of-a-kind place to live and visit. Feet Banks is a longstanding member of the Whistler community and Editor in Chief of Whistler-based Mountain Life Magazine. He is also the co-creator of the Heavy Hitting HorrorFest. Listen to the podcast at whistler.ca/podcast.

Whistler Transit Schedule

Mayor J. Crompton noted that BC Transit, the RMOW, and Whistler Transit are working together to optimize the transit schedule for September 2020. Changes to the new schedule aim to serve Whistler residents and visitors more efficiently. To review the upcoming changes and provide feedback, visit whistler.ca/transit.

Councillor C. Jewett

Councillor C. Jewett noted the following Arts and Culture events and activities:

- Audain Museum has started their Friday night dinners catered by Alta Bistro. The dinner also includes the opportunity to tour the museum with a trained docent.
- Flagstop Theatre under the stars is returning on August 9, 10 and 11 at the Point Artist-Run Centre.
- Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre (SLCC) is open Thursday to Sunday, with late opening on Friday and Saturday.
- The Whistler Farmers Market is being held at the SLCC on Sundays.
- The Whistler Museum and Archives is open.
- · Valley of Dreams walking tours are ongoing.
- Crafts From the Park hosted by the Whistler Library is on Saturdays July 25 and August 1, 8, 15, 22.

Councillor C. Jewett encouraged community members to explore some of the cultural offerings in the community.

Councillor A. De Jong

Councillor A. De Jong noted that he has received a number of enquiries about fuel-thinning programs in the last week, and a common theme is to provide more education on the purpose and methodology and explaining the fire triangle, and explaining why fuel thinning is the most effect way to reduce the risk. He thanked all those who have already made their properties safer. He noted that the Forest and Wildlands Advisory Committee, and Council will be taking a field trip with fire behaviour experts to treatment sites in August.

Councillor J. Grills

Councillor J. Grills agreed with Councillor A. De Jong and noted concern with the reduction in the amount of funding received in the form of grants from the Province.

Condolences

On behalf of Council and the Resort Municipality of Whistler, Mayor J. Crompton shared condolences with the family and friends of Robin (Robert) Walker Crumley.

On behalf of Council and the Resort Municipality of Whistler, Mayor J. Crompton shared condolences with the family and friends of Brigitte Eva Richters.

6. INFORMATION REPORT

6.1 2019 Annual Report Report No. 20-072 File No. 4325

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That the 2019 Annual Report and Financial Statements, attached as Appendix "A" to Information Report No. 20-072, be received by Council; and

That the 2019 Annual Report and Financial Statements be made available for public review on the municipal website and at Municipal Hall until August 7, 2020.

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1 Whistler Road and Trail Reconstruction Project - Contract Award Report No. 20-067 File No. T00102-2020

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the contract with Alpine Paving (1978) Ltd. for the Whistler Road and Trail Reconstruction Project in the amount \$506,495.00 (exclusive of GST) in accordance with their tender proposal dated June 30, 2020; and further

That Council direct staff to explore the development of a Partnering Agreement with Alpine Paving to pursue safety improvements, and dust and noise abatement works along the access road into the gravel quarry and asphalt plant tenure area.

CARRIED

7.2 Alta Place - Road Naming Report No. 20-068 File No. SA17-3

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council approve the name "Alta Place" for the private road entering the Prism Properties development from Alta Lake Road as shown on Figure 1 attached as Appendix "A" to Administrative Report No. 20-068.

7.3 Five-Year Financial Plan 2020-2024 Amendment Bylaw No. 2288, 2020 Report No. 20-069 File No. 4350

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council consider giving first, second, and third readings to the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2020-2024 Amendment Bylaw No. 2288, 2020".

CARRIED

7.4 Tax Sale Deferral Bylaw Report No. 20-070 File No. 4350

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council consider giving first, second, third and final readings to the "Tax Sale Deferral Bylaw No. 2287, 2020".

CARRIED

7.5 2019 Statements of Financial Information Report No. 20-071 File No. 4350

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council approve the 2019 Statements of Financial Information attached as Appendix "A" to Administrative Report No. 20-071.

CARRIED

8. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

8.1 Advisory Design Panel

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Advisory Design Panel of November 20, 2019.

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson
Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

CARRIED

8.2 Zero Waste Select Committee

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Zero Waste Select Committee of December 13, 2019 and February 21, 2020.

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett
Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

8.3 Whistler Bear Advisory Committee

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Whistler Bear Advisory Committee of February 12. 2020.

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

CARRIED

9. BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

9.1 Five-Year Financial Plan 2020-2024 Amendment Bylaw No. 2288, 2020

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That "Five-Year Financial Plan 2020-2024 Amendment Bylaw No. 2288, 2020" be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND ADOPTION

10.1 Tax Sale Deferral Bylaw No. 2287, 2020

Moved By Councillor J. Grills

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That "Tax Sale Deferral Bylaw No. 2287, 2020" be given first, second and third readings; and further

That "Tax Sale Deferral Bylaw No. 2287, 2020" be adopted.

CARRIED

11. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1 RZ1144 2077 Garibaldi Way File No. RZ1144

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That correspondence from the following individuals regarding RZ1144 2077 Garibaldi Way:

- Larry Fisher
- Marnie Gibson
- Isabel D.C. Hatcher and Eugene C. Young
- Mariana and Joze Sparovec
- Jill Neff

• Duncan and Cindy Ball be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

12.2 RZ1146 7104 Nancy Greene Drive File No. RZ1146

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That correspondence from the following individuals regarding RZ1146 7104 Nancy Greene Drive:

- Christopher Pearce
- Steven Gumley

be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

12.3 Cascade Lodge Phase 2 Rental Pool File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That correspondence from Marlene Coleman, Founder, Elevate Real Estate Management and Elevate Vacations, regarding the Cascade Lodge Phase 2 Rental Pool be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

12.4 Trials Motorcycles in the Emerald Rainbow No Flo Zone File No. 3009

Moved By

Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By

Councillor A. De Jong

That correspondence from residents of Emerald Estates regarding Trials Motorcycles in the Emerald Rainbow No Flo Zone be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

12.5 Clean Energy BC Bill 17 - Proposed Amendments to Clean Energy Act File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That correspondence from Anitra Paris, Operations and Policy Manager, Clean Energy BC, regarding Clean Energy BC Bill 17 - Proposed Amendments to Clean Energy Act be received and referred to staff.

12.6 COVID-19 Safety Measures File No. 0519

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That correspondence from the following individuals, regarding COVID-19 Safety Measures:

Helmut Wober: and

Kevin Wallace

be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council direct staff to address parking challenges around municipal parks.

CARRIED

12.7 Restaurant and Bar Zoning File No. 0519

Councillor J. Grills declared a conflict on this item. (Owns commercial properties, which are leased to food and beverage outlets.)

Councillor J. Grills left the Meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson
Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That correspondence from Steve Bayly, regarding Restaurant and Bar Zoning be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

Councillor J. Grills returned to the Meeting at 7:16 p.m.

12.8 Squaw Valley Crescent Renaming File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That correspondence from Judy Day regarding Squaw Valley Crescent renaming be received and referred to staff.

12.9 Childcare in Whistler File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Correspondence from Jessica Nelson, regarding childcare in Whistler be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

12.10 Proclamation Request - Whistler Pickleball Week File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That correspondence from Garth White and Norm Binion, Interim Co-Presidents, Whistler Pickleball Association, requesting that the week of August 8 to 16, 2020 is proclaimed Pickleball Week in Whistler be received and so proclaimed.

CARRIED

13. TERMINATION

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That the Regular Council Meeting of July 21, 2020 be terminated at 7:23 p.m.

Mayor, J. Crompton	Municipal Clerk, A. Banman