



**REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER
MINUTES**

Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
Franz Wilhelmson Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre
4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

PRESENT: Mayor J. Crompton
Councillor A. De Jong
Councillor J. Ford
Councillor R. Forsyth
Councillor C. Jewett
Councillor J. Morden
Councillor J. Murl

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Administrative Officer, V. Cullen
General Manager of Corporate Services and Public Safety, T. Battiston
General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey
General Manager of Climate Action, Planning and Development
Services, D. Mikkelsen
General Manager of Community Engagement and Cultural Services,
K. Elliott
Director of Planning, M. Laidlaw
Manager of Legislative Services/ Corporate Officer, P. Lysaght
Manager of Policy Planning, C. Beaubien
Manager of Protective Services, L. DeBou
Manager of Facility Construction, M. King
Capital Projects Supervisor, M. Freno
Planner, J. Rees
Planner, L. Clarke
Council Coordinator, P. Mendieta

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. Crompton recognized the Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Líl'wat People, known in their language as Lií'wat7úl, and the Squamish People, known in their language as Skwxwú7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

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That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting agenda of September 10, 2024, as amended to move agenda item 11.11 to immediately after agenda item 6.2

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting minutes of July 23, 2024.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTION PERIOD

H. Stippler (of Spring Creek), P. Dorland (on behalf of AWARE) and R. Millikin addressed Council regarding fuel thinning in Whistler under the FireSmart Program.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor and Council provided an update on activities happening within the community.

Mayor J. Crompton announced that Nancy Wilhelm-Morden and Hugh Smythe are to be honoured with the Freedom of the Municipality and that a ceremony to bestow the honour will be held at the Regular Council Meeting on October 22, 2024.

6. LIGHT-UP AND PROCLAMATION REQUESTS

6.1 Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

That Council receive correspondence from R. Edmondson, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit pink and blue on October 15, 2024, in support of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day.

CARRIED

6.2 Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day Proclamation File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive correspondence from R. Edmondson, refer it to staff and that October 15, 2024, be proclaimed Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day in Whistler.

CARRIED

Mayor J. Crompton called for a recess at 6:06 p.m.

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Mayor J. Crompton called the Meeting back to order at 6:08 p.m.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Fuel Thinning in Whistler under the FireSmart Program File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

That Council receive correspondence from R. Millikin regarding fuel thinning in Whistler under the FireSmart Program and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

8. INFORMATION REPORTS

8.1 Whistler Emergency Preparedness for Older Adults Assessment and Awareness Campaign – Final Report No. 24-082 File No. 1855-20-0503

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

That Council receive Information Report No. 24-082 regarding the final report for the Whistler Emergency Preparedness for Older Adults Assessment and Awareness Campaign project, attached as Appendix A to Information Report No. 24-082.

CARRIED

9. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

9.1 Squamish-Lillooet Regional District – Regional Growth Strategy Minor Amendment and Regional Context Statement Report No. 24-083 File No. 6480-20-2024

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council has reviewed the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) minor amendment as presented in the referral notice, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-083, and direct staff to communicate to the SLRD that Council supports the minor amendment and provides the following comments regarding proposed policies 11.1(a) and 11.2(a) and Goal 3:

- The Resort Municipality of Whistler supports and strongly encourages the adoption of achieving net zero by 2050 and recommends removing the reference to “carbon neutral”. A net zero commitment will support the achievement of the greenhouse gas emission (GhG) reduction targets outlined in the RGS. However, carbon neutrality may limit the region’s ability to achieve these targets, as carbon neutrality can be achieved

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through the purchase of carbon offsets without any or very little reduction in GhG; and

- Any requests for staff time that may arise regarding support for coordination on a Housing Needs Report and/or exploration of the establishment of a Regional Housing Authority would need to be evaluated against existing RMOW priorities and workplans; and further

That Council has reviewed the regional context statement (RCS) contained within the “Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2199, 2018”, attached as Appendix B to Administrative Report No. 24-083, and direct staff to submit the RCS to the SLRD for its continued acceptance.

CARRIED

9.2 DVP01263 - 3250 Arbutus Dr - Building Height and Front Setback Variances Report No. 24-084 File No. 3090-20-1263

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP01263, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-084, to vary the building height and front setback for a detached dwelling at 3250 Arbutus Drive.

CARRIED

9.3 Municipal Hall Fire Suppression System Project Report No. 24-085 File No. 5330-02-1014-01

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council award the contract for the Municipal Hall Fire Suppression System Project in the amount of \$1,138,623.10 (excluding GST) to Whistler Coast Construction Group Ltd. in accordance with the Tender Award Recommendation, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-085.

CARRIED

10. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

10.1 Emergency Planning Committee

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive the Regular Meeting minutes of the Emergency Planning Committee of April 30, 2024.

CARRIED

10.2 Board of Variance

Moved By Councillor J. Murl
Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive the Regular Meeting minutes of the Board of Variance of March 25, 2024.

CARRIED

10.3 Advisory Design Panel

Moved By Councillor J. Murl
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive the Regular Meeting minutes of the Advisory Design Panel of May 15, 2024.

CARRIED

11. OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 2025 Council Meeting Schedule

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett
Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council endorse the following Council Meeting Schedule for the Resort Municipality of Whistler for 2025:

January 7	January 21
February 4	February 25
March 11	March 25
April 8	April 29
May 13	May 27
June 10	June 24
July 8	July 22
August 12	
September 2	September 16
October 7	October 21
November 4	November 18
December 2	December 16

CARRIED

11.2 2025 Acting Mayor Appointments

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

That Council appoint as Acting Mayor for the Resort Municipality of Whistler for the months of January 2025 to December 2025 (inclusive):

January:	Jeff Murl
February:	Jeff Murl
March:	Ralph Forsyth
April:	Ralph Forsyth
May:	Arthur De Jong
June:	Arthur De Jong
July:	Jessie Morden
August:	Jessie Morden
September:	Cathy Jewett
October:	Cathy Jewett
November:	Jen Ford
December:	Jen Ford

CARRIED

11.3 2024-2034 Community Works Fund Agreement

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong
Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

That Council approve the participation of the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) in the Community Works Fund program led by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and authorize the corporate signatories to execute the 2024-2034 Community Works Fund Agreement on behalf of the RMOW.

CARRIED

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1 Short-Term Rentals in Whistler File No. 3009

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Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council receive correspondence from A. and K. Martin regarding short-term rentals in Whistler and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

12.2 Whistler Day Lots File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive correspondence from F.G. Stroud regarding the cleanliness of the Whistler Day Lots and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

12.3 Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Review File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive correspondence from C. Dewar regarding the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Review.

CARRIED

12.4 Suicide Prevention Support for Indigenous Children File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from L. Donovan regarding suicide prevention support for Indigenous children.

CARRIED

12.5 Whistler Shelter File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council receive correspondence from E. Przwara regarding the need for a shelter in Whistler and refer it to staff.

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12.6 Whistler Valley Trail Safety File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Morden

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from S. Youngsman regarding safety on the Whistler Valley Trail and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

12.7 Illegal Camping on Cheakamus Lake Road File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Morden

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

That Council receive correspondence from C. Kaipio regarding illegal camping on Cheakamus Lake Road and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

12.8 Fossil Fuel Funding File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive correspondence from V. Cumming regarding support for a Union of B.C Municipalities (UBCM) resolution to eliminate fossil fuel funding from the Southern Local Government Association and the UBCM.

CARRIED

12.9 Construction of Employee Housing at Cheakamus Crossing File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive correspondence from P. Boulanger regarding the construction of employee housing at Cheakamus Crossing neighbourhood, and refer to staff to forward to the Board of Directors for Whistler 2020 Development Corp.

CARRIED

12.10 Off-Leash Dogs in Public Areas File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

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That Council receive correspondence from J. Smith regarding off-leash dogs in public areas and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

12.11 Addressing Homelessness in Campbell River

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive correspondence from K. Dahl regarding provincial support to address homelessness in Campbell River.

CARRIED

12.12 Light-up and Proclamation Requests

a. National Day for Truth and Reconciliation File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council receive correspondence from P. Lysaght, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit orange on September 30, 2024, in support of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

CARRIED

b. World PANS PANDAS Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Morden

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from K. Popwich, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit red on October 9, 2024, in support of World PANS PANDAS Awareness Day.

CARRIED

c. Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council receive correspondence from K. Keen, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit purple on November 2, 2024, in support of Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome Awareness Day.

CARRIED

d. Medical Radiation Technologist Week No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from S. Olma, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit orange and blue on November 3, 2024, in support of Medical Radiation Technologist Week.

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e. Stomach Cancer Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive correspondence from S. Koenig, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit blue on November 30, 2024, in support of Stomach Cancer Awareness Day.

CARRIED

f. Stage Four Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council receive correspondence from L. Inahara, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit green, pink and teal on October 13, 2024, in support of Stage Four Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day.

CARRIED

g. Eczema Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Morden

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

That Council receive correspondence from H. Lawton, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit blue on November 8, 2024, in support of Eczema Awareness Day.

CARRIED

h. Medical Radiation Technologist Proclamation File No. 3009.1

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Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council receive correspondence from S. Olma, refer it to staff and that November 3 to 9, 2024, be proclaimed Medical Radiation Technologist Week in Whistler.

CARRIED

13. TERMINATION

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council terminate the Regular Council Meeting of September 10, 2024, at 7:11 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, J. Crompton

Corporate Officer, P. Lysaght