



**REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 6, 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
Manager of Communications, G. Robinson
Manager of Planning and Development, C. Beaubien
Manager of Planning, J. Chapman
Utilities Superintendent, C. Wike
Planner, P. Gibbins
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 R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of April 6, 2021 as amended to add as late items under Other Business the Liquor Licensing Advisory Committee Notification of Member Appointment, the Measuring Up Select Committee of Council Notification of Member Appointments.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By Councillor J. Grills

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2021.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Questions were asked during the Meeting via Zoom.

Jared Areshenkoff, 4821 Spearhead Drive

Mr. Areshenkoff asked if the municipality is still working towards a plastic bag ban and where it is at in the process.

General Manager of Infrastructure Services J. Hallisey explained the province and several municipalities are awaiting an update on a federal initiative for banning plastic bags nationwide, however there has been no news on that front.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

One year ago, Mayor J. Crompton began the Mayor's Report with the following:

"The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted the lives of many in our community, impacted our businesses, and continues to evolve by the day.

We do not know how long this new reality will last. In these uncertain times, we must follow the advice of our public health officials, and work together as a community in doing our part to help flatten the curve.

Our focus right now is on the health and safety of our community."

One year later, while these words are still true, it is important to acknowledge that the pandemic we are in today is very different from the one Mayor Crompton spoke of last year.

We have learned a lot about this virus, how it transmits, what we can do to prevent the spread within our community, the layers of protection that work, and now we have vaccines as an additional tool in our toolbox.

As tough as this is for our community, we must continue to focus on slowing the spread of COVID and getting to the other side of this pandemic. In Whistler, this means avoiding all indoor gatherings with people not in our household, even if you have received a vaccine.

Even as we are faced with Whistler Blackcomb's closure and other recent changes to business operations in Whistler, as ordered by the Province of British Columbia, Mayor Crompton is amazed at how quickly this community has moved from the sadness of losing spring on the mountain to planning summer cleanup and preparation efforts for what will be a very busy summer.

We are hugely grateful for Whistler Blackcomb for the excellent work they did at staying open for so long this winter and allowing us all to ski safely during a global pandemic.

We are also grateful to other Whistler businesses, organizations and community members for the excellent job adjusting to these challenging times.

For the latest information on the province's vaccine program, visit www.vch.ca/vaccine.

Community Life Survey

The annual Community Life phone survey is continuing until April 19 and is being administered by Forum Research Inc.

Thank you to everyone, who has responded to the survey so far. This year we are giving residents the opportunity to sign up for the online version of the survey.

When you sign up, the survey will be delivered directly to your inbox. Sign up for the online survey at www.whistler.ca/survey until April 19. The online survey runs from April 23 to May 10.

Delayed Date for Property Taxes

For the second year in a row, property owners will be receiving relief in the form of a delayed penalty date for property taxes, should it be required.

The 2021 due date for property taxes will remain unchanged at July 2, 2021, with the penalty date for late payments delayed to September 30, 2021.

Tax notices will be delivered to all property owners at the end of May, and property tax questions can be directed to the Finance Department at finance@whistler.ca

Transit Schedule

Whistler Transit is now operating on their spring/summer/fall schedule.

The Late Winter schedule will continue with extra buses until April 10 to help transition from the Full Winter service to the Spring-Summer-Fall transit service schedule.

For more information on specific route and schedule changes, please visit bctransit.com/whistler.

Bear Season

It is bear season in Whistler. Whistler's bears are waking up and emerging from their dens.

This means it's time for a spring clean of any attractants from around our homes and cars.

Common attractants are garbage, bird feeders, compost and pet food. But even recycling, paint cans, citronella, and sunscreen have strong enough smells to attract bears.

Keeping bears safe – and wild – means everyone has to do their part.

Watercraft Rack Storage

Watercraft rack storage will be available to rent for the 2021 season next week, with staggered reservation dates.

Stand-up Paddleboard (SUP) storage spaces will be available online from April 13 at noon. Canoe/kayak storage spaces will be available online from April 14 at noon.

For information, reservation tips and the link to the online reservation system please see www.whistler.ca/SUPStorage.

Opportunities and Permit Updates

The RMOW is seeking to provide additional food and non-alcoholic beverage service opportunities in multiple parks as part of the Whistler Summer Experience 2021 Plan.

The Whistler Parks Food Service Opportunities Request for Proposal (RFP) is open until April 19. More information is available at www.whistler.ca/bids.

The RMOW is streamlining the application and renewals process for Temporary Use Permits for patios, enabling these businesses to safely serve patrons while complying with physical distancing limitations ordered by the Provincial Health Officer. Existing Temporary Use Permits holders may renew their permit at no cost through to the end of October 31, 2021, providing the patio plans are consistent with their 2020 permit. Visit whistler.ca/patios for information.

Arts 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.

Audain Art Museum - get your culture fix Thursday through Sunday at the Audain. They featuring Rebecca Belmore's Reservoir and of course their incredible permanent collection including the largest permanent display of Emily Carrs as well as historical and contemporary BC First Nations artists.

Coming up April 24 it's the Illuminate Gala. 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.

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.

Other Updates

Councillor Grills noted April marks the one-year anniversary of living with COVID and all that entails such as working remotely with Mayor, Council and staff, and all the various challenges of moving to a remote environment. Councillor Grills hopes there will be no anniversary in 2022.

April 6 marks a three-year anniversary of the Humboldt Bus Crash, which killed 16 people and 13 others, a tragic event in Canadian history. Our hearts go out to the hockey players, parents, teachers and all those that were involved.

6. INFORMATION REPORTS

6.1 Project Update – Whistler Age-friendly Assessment and Action Plan Report No. 21-029 File No. 7083

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council receive Information Report No. 21-029 regarding the Whistler Age-friendly Assessment and Action Plan project being carried out under the Union of B.C. Municipalities' 2020 Age-friendly Communities Program.

CARRIED

6.2 Fourth Quarter Financial Report - 2020 Report No. 21-030 File No. 4530

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council receive Information Report No. 21-030 Quarterly Financial Report for the quarter ended December 31, 2020.

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1 Whistler 2020 Development Corporation Partnering and Credit Line Agreement Report No. 21-031 File No. 0500-00

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council direct staff to execute the Partnering and Credit Line Agreement documents substantially in the form presented in Appendix A; and further,

That Council direct staff to give notice of the Resort Municipality of Whistler's intent to enter into a Partnering and Credit Line Agreement with Whistler 2020 Development Corporation (WDC) consistent with Part 3 of the *Community Charter*.

CARRIED

Mayor J. Crompton declared a recess at 7:59 p.m.

Mayor J. Crompton called the Meeting back to order at 8:10 p.m.

**7.2 FireSmart® Economic Recovery Fund Grant Application Report No. 21-033
File No. 7130-00**

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council endorse the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) Program FireSmart Economic Recovery Fund (FERF) grant application and, if successful, direct staff to provide overall grant management as per Union of British Columbia Municipalities grant requirements.

CARRIED

**7.3 Community Emergency Preparedness Fund – Emergency Operations
Centre Communications Project 2021 Report No. 21-034 File No. 854**

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council endorse the submission of the grant application to the Union of B.C. Municipalities' Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (CEPF) under the Emergency Operations Centre and Training funding stream to a maximum of \$25,000;

That Council support the proposed activities in this grant application; and further

That Council supports the RMOW Emergency Program providing overall grant management for the project if successfully funded.

CARRIED

**7.4 DVP01208 – 9007 Summer Lane – Setback Variance for a Detached
Dwelling Report No. 21-035 File No. DVP01208**

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP01208 for the proposed development located at 9007 Summer Lane to vary the north side setback from 3 metres to 0.73 metres for a detached dwelling, as shown on architectural plans A1, A5, A6, A7a, and A8 prepared by Mel Mekinda dated February 27, 2021, attached as Appendix B to Administrative Report to Council No. 21-035.

CARRIED

7.5 Public Hearing Summary and Third Reading for Zoning Amendment Bylaw (8200 Bear Paw Trail) No 2297, 2020 Report No. 21-036 File No. RZ001164

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council consider giving third reading to “Zoning Amendment Bylaw (8200 Bear Paw Trail) No. 2297, 2020”.

CARRIED

7.6 Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2) No. 2312, 2021 Report No. 21-037 File No. RZ1165

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council consider giving first, second, and third readings to “Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2) No. 2312, 2021”; and

That Council resolve to proceed no further with previous “Bylaw Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2) No. 2310, 2021”.

CARRIED

7.7 Alta Lake Road Sewer Extension Local Area Service Bylaw Report No. 21-038 File No. E320

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council consider giving first, second, and third readings of "Alta Lake Road Sewer Extension Local Area Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2237, 2021”.

CARRIED

7.8 Cheakamus Crossing Affordable Employee Housing Reserve Fund Bylaw Report No. 21-032 File No. 1878

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council consider giving first, second and third readings to the “Cheakamus Crossing Affordable Employee Housing Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 2307, 2021”.

CARRIED

7.9 Whistler 2020 Development Corporation Home Warranty Insurance Indemnity Agreement Report No. 21-039 File No. 0500-00

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council authorise the execution of the Indemnity Agreement in favour of The Guarantee Company of North America on behalf of the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) as Indemnitor for the 100 unit low rise project located at: Parcel A - 1340 and 1360 Mount Fee Road, Whistler, BC - PID Number 026-772-213 (Cheakamus Crossing Phase II – Parcel A).

CARRIED

8. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

8.1 Measuring Up Select Committee

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Measuring Up Select Committee of December 4, 2019.

CARRIED

8.2 Zero Waste Select Committee

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Zero Waste Select Committee of October 22, 2020.

CARRIED

8.3 Transit Management Advisory Committee

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Transit Management Advisory Committee of October 27, 2020.

CARRIED

8.4 Advisory Design Panel

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Advisory Design Panel of December 16, 2020.

CARRIED

8.5 Forest Wildland Advisory Committee

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Forest Wildland Advisory Committee of February 10, 2021.

CARRIED

9. BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

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

Moved By Councillor J. Grills

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council give "Cheakamus Crossing Affordable Employee Housing Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 2307, 2021" first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

9.2 Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2) No. 2312, 2021

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council give "Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2) No. 2312, 2021" first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

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

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council give "Alta Lake Road Sewer Extension Local Area Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2237, 2021" first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS FOR THIRD READING

10.1 Zoning Amendment Bylaw (8200 Bear Paw Trail) No. 2297, 2020

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council give "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (8200 Bear Paw Trail) No. 2297, 2020" third reading.

CARRIED

11. BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

11.1 Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw (Complex Site Rezoning) No. 2308, 2021

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council adopt "Land Use Procedures and Fees Amendment Bylaw (Complex Site Rezoning) No. 2308, 2021."

CARRIED

12. OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 Liquor Licensing Advisory Committee Notification of Member Appointment

Mayor J. Crompton announced the appointment of Mr. Mike Varrin to a two-year term on the Liquor Licence Advisory Committee.

12.2 Measuring Up Select Committee of Council Notification of Member Appointments

Mayor J. Crompton announced the appointment of two replacement members to the Measuring Up Select Committee of Council for the 2020/2021 term as follows:

- *Ms. Meredith Klau as the representative from Tourism Whistler; and*
- *Ms. Jackie Dickinson as the representative from Whistler Community Services Society.*

13. CORRESPONDENCE

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

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from Patrick Cote, Mayor, City of New West Minster, regarding Support for Laid-off Hotel and Tourism Industry Workers.

CARRIED

13.2 Endorsement of 9-8-8 Crisis Line Initiative File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council receive correspondence from Jamie Ross, Mayor, Village of Belcarra, regarding Endorsement of 9-8-8 Crisis Line Initiative.

CARRIED

13.3 BC Hydro 2020 Street Lighting Rate Application File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from Lyn Hall, Mayor, City of Prince George, regarding the BC Hydro 2020 Street Lighting Rate Application.

CARRIED

13.4 Invasive Asian Clams File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from Jennifer Bruns, Corporate Officer, District of Sicamous, regarding control of Invasive Asian Clams.

CARRIED

13.5 Fair Taxation from Railway Operations & Industrial Parks File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council receive correspondence from Kate Barchard, Corporate Officer, City of Pitt Meadows, regarding Fair Taxation from Railway Operations & Industrial Parks.

CARRIED

13.6 Raise Disability and Income Assistance to a Livable Rate File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council receive correspondence from Kelley Kenney, Corporate Officer, City of Langley, regarding Raising Disability and Income Assistance to a Livable Rate.

CARRIED

13.7 General Concerns of Resort Community File No. 3009

Mayor J. Crompton noted the Public Hearing for RZ1157 has now closed and submissions should no longer be received by Council. Because this letter may be speaking to these matters, Council has been instructed not to take this letter into account when considering the passing of the Bylaws associated with RZ1157.

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council refer to staff correspondence from Lisa Di Tosto regarding general concerns of the resort community.

CARRIED

13.8 Northlands Property Use File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from Joel Nauss regarding Northlands Blvd property development and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

13.9 Help Cities Lead Campaign File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from Lisa Helps, Mayor, City of Victoria, regarding endorsement of the Help Cities Lead campaign and refer it to staff, with a request to bring it back for consideration.

CARRIED

13.10 Help Cities Lead Campaign File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from Mike Little, Mayor, District of North Vancouver, regarding endorsement of the Help Cities Lead campaign and refer it to staff, with a request to bring it back for consideration.

CARRIED

13.11 2020 BC Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council receive correspondence from Heather O'Hara and Vickey Brown, BC Association of Farmers' Markets, regarding 2020 BC Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program in Whistler and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

13.12 Delivering Community Power File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council receive correspondence from Jan Simpson, National President, Canadian Union of Postal Workers regarding Support for Delivering Community Power.

CARRIED

13.13 Whistler Community Church Building Project File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council receive correspondence from Craig Allars regarding the Whistler Community Church Building Project.

CARRIED

13.14 Walk for Alzheimer's File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council receive correspondence from Erika Durlacher regarding an Alzheimer's Fundraiser and Fashion Show.

CARRIED

13.15 Proclamation Requests

a. Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Grills

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from Kathleen Barnard, Founder and President, Save Your Skin Foundation and proclaim May as Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month.

CARRIED

b. Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Month File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council receive correspondence from Debbie White and proclaim June as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Month.

CARRIED

13.16 Light-Up Requests

a. Light-up Request File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council receive correspondence from Kathleen Somers, Canadian Trigeminal Neuralgia Association, refer it to staff and that the bridge be lit.

CARRIED

b. World Lupus Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from Ariana Ranjbar, Lupus Canada, refer it to staff and that the bridge be lit.

CARRIED

c. Mucopolysaccharidoses Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from Kim Angel, Executive Director, Canadian MPS Society, refer it to staff and that the bridge be lit.

CARRIED

14. TERMINATION

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council terminate the Regular Council Meeting of April 6, 2021 at 8:59 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, J. Crompton

Deputy Corporate Officer, A. Banman