

## **TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN**

The Swearing-In Ceremony of Mayor held at the Upper Centennial Hall, 309 South Shore Road on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020



**PRESENT:** Mayor Bob K. Day  
Councillor Carolyne Austin  
Councillor Kristine Sandhu  
Councillor Tim McGonigle  
Councillor Lorna Vomacka

**STAFF:** Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer  
Ronnie Gill, Director of Finance  
Jas Sandhu, Superintendent, Public Works and Engineering Services  
Dalton Smith, Manager, Cowichan Lake Education Centre

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### **1. INAUGURATION CEREMONY**

Councillor Tim McGonigle, Master of Ceremonies, asked the public to rise at 5:00 p.m.

The piper, Mike Wright, was followed by Mayor-elect Bob K. Day into the upper Centennial Hall just after 5:00 pm.

Councillor McGonigle asked for a moment of silence in recognition of November 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **2. OATH OF OFFICE**

The Master of Ceremonies acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional territory of the Tsuubaa-asatx Nation and introduced Joseph Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of Lake Cowichan to administer the Oath of Office and the Code of Ethics to Mayor-elect Bob K. Day.

### **3. MAYOR'S ADDRESS**

Mayor Day thanked everyone for their attendance.

The piper played a requiem in honour of Remembrance Day.

He talked about the importance of Remembrance Day and the sacrifices that were made in the two world wars. The rights and freedoms that are enjoyed this day. He shared his fond memories of the stories of his grandfather shared as a POW in the war and what human beings went through to fight for our freedoms.

Mayor Day thanked everyone and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional territory of the Tsuubaa-asatx Nation and acknowledged the attendance of Melanie and Aaron Hamilton from the Lake Cowichan First Nations.

Mayor Day acknowledged the contributions of our paramedics, fire fighters and police and stated that they are the heroes who must not be forgotten as they see the worst part of life on a daily basis and especially during these COVID-19 pandemic. He pays a lot of respect to those that are going affected and shared statistics of the Spanish flu of 1918.

In closing, he thanked Mayor Rod Peters for his years of service. He also thanked current councillors for their outstanding job in keeping the Town running during these unprecedented times and staff for keeping us moving in the right direction. Mike Wright and Lynn Klein were thanked for piping and being an escort, respectively.

Mayor Day wished to thank all those that voted for him and especially to his family for their support. He is honored to be working with everyone on Council and is excited for the Town of Lake Cowichan in serving our community - Building Communities Together is his motto.

In closing he quoted Dr. Bonnie Henry "Be Kind, Be Calm, Be Safe" and wished those in attendance a good night.

The Swearing in Ceremony adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Confirmed on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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Mayor