



TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of Public Works and Environmental Services Committee held on electronically at Lake Cowichan, BC as per Ministerial Order M-192 on Tuesday, June 15th, 2021

PRESENT: Councillor Carlyne Austin, Vice-Chair
Mayor Bob K. Day
Councillor Kristine Sandhu
Councillor Tim McGonigle

REGRETS: Councillor Lorna Vomacka,

(with prior notice)

STAFF: Joseph Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Jas Sandhu, Superintendent, Public Works, and Engineering Services

No. PW.013/21
Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

2. AGENDA

Moved: Councillor Sandhu

Seconded: Mayor Day

that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3. BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) None.

(b) Ongoing Items Still Being Addressed:

(i) The Committee discussed the matter of hosting a volunteer-based community refuse clean-up.

The Cowichan River Stewardship Society will be hosting its annual river cleanup on Sunday, September 12th, 2021. The members concurred that this date could also be used for the community cleaning.

The matter was referred to staff for a report back at the next meeting.

(ii) The Superintendent, Public Works and Engineering Services provided an update on the transit shelters as follows:

- Shelter along South Shore Road by Fields will arrive within the week for installation;
- Shelter by the Fire Hall has the benches installed and completed;
- Shelter across from Country Grocers has the design completed and is awaiting Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure for approval which may be a few months away; and
- Clarification sought on the shelter by the Peter's Centre as it can be quite congested with the traffic calming devices and may need to be investigated for relocating.

4. DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

None.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

6. VERBAL COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC ON A SUBSEQUENT ITEM ON THE AGENDA

None.

7. REPORTS

- (a)** The Committee treated the written report on Public Works operations for May 2021 as information.

The matter of the Arbutus Avenue sanitary sewer upgrades will be put on hold as all the quotes received on the proposal far exceeded the budget allocation. The Superintendent shared his view that part of the project requires to be completed or at the very least, some repairs undertaken in meantime.

The matter was referred for further input and discussion.

The Chief Administrative Officer indicated that the request for proposal would be reissued.

- (b)** The Superintendent of Public Works and Engineering Services provided a summarized report on the Water Treatment Plant.

The Chief Administrative Officer reported on the aluminum readings that are still rather high from the source water and that Island Health is working with the Town on the matter to help mitigate the issue.

- (c)** The Water Operators’ Operations Performance report for March 2021 was treated as information.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- (a)** The Committee members reviewed the Town of Lake Cowichan Active Transportation Network Plan – 2021.

The Committee was informed that funding grants can now be sought to address the recommendations contained in the report.

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

10. PUBLIC RELATIONS ITEMS

Councillor McGonigle congratulated the Lady of the Lake ambassadors and thanked the organizers and participants for the recent events held this past week.

Councillor Austin reminded the public that the COVID clinics start next week and encouraged those that have not had their first shot or second follow-up to do so locally.

11. QUESTION PERIOD

12. ADJOURNMENT

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Adjournment

Moved: Councillor Sandhu
Seconded: Mayor Day
that the meeting be adjourned at 5:33 pm.

CARRIED.

Certified correct _____.

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2021.

Vice-Chair