

TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of Advisory Planning Commission
held on July 27th, 2023, at the Council Chambers,
temporarily located at 38 King George Street N., Lake
Cowichan, BC.



PRESENT: Robert Patterson, Chair
Duncan Brown
Bill Garret
Pat Lamont
Bev Litster

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Carolyne Austin
Joseph A. Fernandez, CAO
James van Hemert, Contract Planner

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 4:35 p.m.

2. **INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS**

The following items were added:

- Use of AB Greenwell for subsidized social housing; and
- Code of Conduct.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

No. APC.15/23
Minutes

- (a) Moved: Bev Litster
Seconded: Duncan Brown
that the minutes of the meeting held on June 29th, 2023, be
approved as amended.

CARRIED.

4. **BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- (a) Moved: Bev Litster
Seconded: Duncan Brown
Whereas the Federal and Provincial Governments have asserted their
support for the creation of social housing;
that the commission request that the council approach the Ministry of
Housing to consider the use of AB Greenwell site for subsidized social
housing.

CARRIED.

5. **DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS**

None.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

7. **REPORT**

None.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

- (a) The Contract Planner reported that the workshop venue for the
public review would be at the updated municipal hall on September
23rd, 2023, between the hours of 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
The commission members wanted an opportunity to review what is
being proposed for the workshop by meeting on September 21st,
2023. The planner is confident that he will have the new maps by
then.

- (b) The contract planner advised that he had prepared the climate action report for the Town and summarized the responses to that report so the Town may qualify for additional climate action funding. Propane usage was generating a more than proportionate share of corporate greenhouse gas emissions.
- (c) The contract planner provided a synopsis of what to expect at the upcoming "open house" process for the Official Community Plan. Members can expect the following:
 - Background studies;
 - Maps;
 - Climate change issues; and
 - Summary of public responses.
- (d) The Contract planner updated the members on the workshop he attended on housing needs where an opportunity for a Housing Accelerator Fund grant application was addressed that focuses on densification, zoning changes with a view to provide affordable housing.
- (e) The issue of Conflict of Interest was raised. Copies are to be forwarded to members.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE and zoning changes

September 21st, 2023 – 4.00 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

No. APC.14/23
Adjourned

Moved: Pat Lamont
Seconded: Duncan Brown
that the meeting be adjourned at 5.42 p.m.

CARRIED.

Certified correct _____.

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2023.

Chair