

Minutes of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission Meeting held on October 28, 2021, from 311 South Shore Rd., Lake Cowichan BC, at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT: Chair T. Repstock
Vice-Chair M. Davis
Director I. Morrison
Director K. Kuhn
Mayor B. Day
C. Bath
E. Fearon
R. Wise

ALSO PRESENT: J. Elzinga, General Manager, Community Services
L. Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation
K. Liddle, Manager, South Cowichan Recreation
J. Wakeham, Manager, Facilities & Transit
M. Johnson, Facility Coordinator, West Cowichan
L. Bowery, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: S. Day

CALL TO ORDER 7:00 PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting of July 22, 2021

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting of July 22, 2021, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

M2 Special Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting of August 19, 2021

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Special Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting of August 19, 2021, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

R1 Verbal Report from M. Johnson, Facility Coordinator, West Cowichan Re: Facility Updates

The Honeymoon Bay Hall exterior is complete. Work will continue inside on the washrooms and the post office in the next month.

A few over-grown trees have been removed from the back of the arena on the South side.

The curling ice is in and the ice plant is running really well.

R2

Verbal Report from L. Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation, for Information

A new programmer has been hired and will start with us on Monday, November 8, 2021. We are happy to welcome Kyle Laberge to our CLR team. Kyle will oversee, lead and supervise the Program, Events & Marketing section for CLR.

Halloween 2021 will be held in a manner modified to meet the needs of the pandemic and our staffing shortage:

1. At the arena on Friday, October 29, 2021 starting at 7:00 PM, CLR is offering a free family fun skate for all ages; and
2. Trick or Treaters are welcome to visit the Youbou Hall on Sunday, October 31, 2021 between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM for an outdoor display of Halloween fun. Working with the Youbou Community Association, CLR staff will have the porch decorated and participants can flow through picking up a goodie from the Chute the Loot feature as well as visit the Ghoul Pond. The fireworks display will occur at 7:30 PM at the Yount School Field. The Youbou Volunteer Fire Department will be in care and control of setting off the fireworks. A permit has been received. Proof of vaccination or masks is not required due to the event being held outdoors.

The Annual Christmas Craft Fair is to be held at the Youbou Community Hall on Saturday, November 27, 2021 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. We have lots of great vendors booked to sell their products. Proof of Vaccination is not required for shoppers because of the flow through nature of the event. Masks are required for all who are 5 years of age and up.

The CLR Commission 2022 Budget meeting will be held in the curling lounge on Thursday, December 16, 2021 starting at 6:00 PM. This is an in-person meeting.

The six appointed Commission members terms expire on December 31, 2021. Please talk to the elected officials (Director Morrison, Kuhn and the Mayor of Lake Cowichan) as soon as possible to let them know if you wish to be considered for another term.

CLR was unsuccessful in obtaining the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) grant for the cladding project. The letter received from the executive director of Local Government Infrastructure and Finance advised that the decision did not reflect on the importance of this project for our community but rather the degree by which the program was oversubscribed.

7:09 PM

Director I. Morrison entered the meeting.

R3

No report.

R4

Verbal Report from Mayor B. Day Re: Town of Lake Cowichan Update

Tenders have gone out for the Lake Cowichan Town Hall project and will close on November 10, 2021.

The empty lot across from Country Grocer is going to be a pull-out bus stop that will be funded by B.C. Transit in the spring of 2022.

Town Council will continue to hold virtual meetings until December 31, 2021. The meetings are viewable from the Town of Lake Cowichan Youtube channel.

According to the CLRSS, the maximum height, or full storage, of the new weir will be the water level recorded at midnight on October 27, 2021.

The completion date for the new Cowichan District Hospital will be in 2026.

CLOSED SESSION

7:14 PM It was moved and seconded that the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with the *Community Charter Part 4, Division 3, Section 90, (1)(k)*

MOTION CARRIED

RISE FROM CLOSED SESSION

9:26 PM It was moved and seconded that the Commission rise with report, and return to the Open portion of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

9:30 PM It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Chairperson

Recording Secretary

Dated: _____