



TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of a Regular meeting of Council
Held electronically at Lake Cowichan, BC as per Ministerial Order M-192
on Tuesday, August 24th, 2021

PRESENT: Mayor Bob K. Day, Chair
Councillor Carlyne Austin
Councillor Tim McGonigle
Councillor Kristine Sandhu
Councillor Lorna Vomacka (6:49 pm)

STAFF: Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Ronnie Gill, Director of Finance
Jas Sandhu, Superintendent, Public Works, and Engineering Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Day called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

2. AGENDA

No. R.0125/21
Agenda

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the agenda be approved with the addition of:

MAYORS REPORT

Deputy Mayor Report for August 2021.

CARRIED

Councillor Vomacka joined the meeting at 6:49 pm.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

No. R.0126/21
Regular Meeting

- (a) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held on July 27th,
2021, be adopted.

CARRIED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

5. DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

None.

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

7. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Action Items:

(b) Information or Consent Items

The correspondence from the City of Langley regarding the need to allocate funding to improve the pre-hospital care system was treated as information.

8. REPORTS

(a) Council and other Committee Reports

No. R.0127/21
Finance and
Administration

- (i) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting held electronically on August 10th, 2021, be approved with the following:

1- Award of Contract – Municipal Hall – Phase 1; Retaining Wall

that the Municipal Hall – Phase 1; Retaining Wall contract be awarded to CIDA Holdings at a cost of \$110,259 plus GST; and

2- Lake Cowichan Fire Department – Incident Report

that the Lake Cowichan Fire Department's incident report in the amount of \$5,997.03 for June 2021 be approved.

CARRIED.

No. R.0128/21
Public Works and
Environmental
Services

- (ii) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the minutes of the Public Works and Environmental Services Committee meeting held electronically on August 17th, 2021, be approved with the following:

1- Municipal Hall – Demolition of Old Fire Hall Bays

that the contract to demolish the old firehall bays and foundation of the old firehall bays and removal of same be awarded to Lakeside Property Maintenance for the quoted price of \$26,788.65 plus taxes.

CARRIED.

No. R.0129/21
Parks, Recreation and
Culture

- (iii) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee meeting held electronically on August 17th, 2021, be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Councillor Sandhu requested that a notice be designed to advise the public of the community cleanup on September 12th as the Cowichan Lake River Stewardship and Tube Shack have already distributed their flyers for the river cleanup event being held the same day.

No. R.0130/21
Strategic Planning

- (iv) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held electronically on August 10th, 2021, be approved, as presented.

CARRIED.

Cowichan Lake
Recreation
Commission

- (v) Councillor McGonigle reported on the special meeting of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission held on August 19th, 2021 with a presentation made by the Kraken Junior "B" hockey team. Its request has been referred to staff for a report.

The next scheduled meeting of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission is on Thursday, October 21st, 2021.

Vancouver Island
Regional Library

- (vi) Councillor Vomacka reported that no meetings have been held and there may be a meeting held in September to allow for introduction of the new Executive Director for the Board.

Councillor Vomacka shared information on the newly created serial digital publication of the library named "Sea and Cedar" which is a submission of short fiction, creative non-fiction, poetry and artwork.

Advisory Planning Commission (vii) Councillor Austin reported that the Advisory Planning Commission would not be meeting again until the fourth week of September 2021.

Community Forest Co-operative (viii) No report.

(b) Other Reports

Cowichan Valley Regional District (i) Councillor McGonigle reported that the Board does not hold any meetings in the month of August. He did report that the regional emergency operation centers have been extremely busy with the recent forest fires in some of the regional areas and keeping the public and residents apprised in matters.

Community Outreach Team (ii) Councillor Austin advised that the Outreach team would not be meeting until September.

Our Cowichan (iii) Councillor Sandhu reported that the next meeting would be held on September 9th, 2021.

Cowichan Watershed Board (iv) Councillor Sandhu reported that the next meeting of the Watershed Board would be held on September 27th, 2021. She further advised that she would be attending the Watershed Society meeting in September.

(c) Staff Reports

- (i) James Van Hemert, Contract Planner was in attendance to speak on his report with respect to the proposed Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1053-2021 to which a public hearing had been held earlier in the evening.
- (ii) James Van Hemert, Contract Planner spoke on his report with respect to the proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1054-2021 and recommended the denial of the proposed bylaw.

9. BYLAWS

No. R.0131/21 Animal Control Amendment Bylaw No. 1052-2021 (a) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Animal Control Amendment Bylaw No. 1052-2021" be reconsidered and adopted. CARRIED.

No. R.0132/21 Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1053-2021 (b) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1053-2021" be read a third time.
IN FAVOUR Councillor Vomacka **AGAINST** Councillor Austin
Councillor McGonigle
Councillor Sandhu **DEFEATED.**

(c) The "Town of Lake Cowichan Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1053-2021" was not approved for third reading and was therefore not given further reconsideration.

(d) The "Town of Lake Cowichan Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1054-2021" was not approved for third reading.

(e) The "Town of Lake Cowichan Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1054-2021" was not approved for third reading and was therefore not given further reconsideration.

No. R.0133/21
Council Procedure
Bylaw
No. 1059-2021

(f) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Council Procedure Bylaw No. 1059-2021" be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.0134/21
Sign Regulation Bylaw
No. 1060-2021

(g) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Sign Regulation Bylaw No. 1060-2021" be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.0135/21
Official Community
Plan Amendment
Bylaw
No. 1061-2021

(h) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1061-2021" be read a third time.

CARRIED.

No. R.0136/21
Official Community
Plan Amendment
Bylaw
No. 1061-2021

(i) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1061-2021" be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

10. NEW BUSINESS

No. R.0137/21
Vancouver Island
Economic Alliance
Conference

(a) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that members of Council be authorized to attend the Vancouver Island Economic Alliance "State of the Island Economic Summit 2021" to be held on October 27th and 28th, 2021 in Nanaimo, BC.

CARRIED.

(b) Staff was directed to forward the Decibel Coalition's request for official public support of the Decibel Coalition and membership to the Cowichan Valley Regional District.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Councillor Austin gave her Deputy Mayor's Report for August, 2021 and spoke on the meeting held with the Honorable Sonia Furstenau on August 19th, 2021.

Mayor Day gave his Mayor's Report for August 2021 which included the matter of climate change and specifically its effect on the occurrence of wildfires as he witnessed in his travels through our Province.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

13. QUESTION PERIOD

14. IN CAMERA

No. R.0138/21
Retire to In-Camera

(a) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that Council close the meeting to the public to deal with issues which fall under s. 90 (1) of the *Community Charter* as follows:
s.90 (1) (c) labour relations or other employee relations
at (8:05 pm).

CARRIED.

15. ADJOURNMENT

No. R.0139/21
Adjournment

Moved: Councillor Vomacka
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the meeting arise and report with the ratification of the
Memorandum of Agreement with the United Steelworkers 1-1937 and
adjourn. (8:40 p.m.)

CARRIED.

Certified correct _____.

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2021.

Mayor