



THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY
HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 400 CENTRE ROAD, LIONS BAY**

MINUTES

In Attendance:

Council: Mayor Ron McLaughlin
Councillor Neville Abbott
Councillor Fred Bain
Councillor Norm Barmeier
Councillor Jaime Cunliffe

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer Peter DeJong
Chief Financial Officer Pamela Rooke
Public Works Manager Nai Jaffer
Recording Secretary Carol Lee

Delegations: 0
Public: 1

1. Call to Order

Mayor McLaughlin, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

THAT:

- (1) The agenda be varied to consider Item 8Di following Item 3;
- (2) Item 5C – Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award (CSMTFA) Committee Meeting – January 7, 2020 be added;
- (3) Item 7B – Location of Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations be added and the subsequent item be renumbered;
- (4) Item 8Bi – Composition of Infrastructure Committee (IC) for 2020 be added;
- (5) Item 8Bii – Plaque for Piano Donation be added;
- (6) Item 8Biii – January 14, 2020 TransLink Events be added;
- (7) Item 8Dii – Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award (CSMTFA) Committee be added; and

(8) The agenda be adopted, as amended.

CARRIED

3. Public Participation (2 minutes per person totalling 10 minutes maximum)

A. Bruce Kennedy

CAO DeJong distributed the handout provided by Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. Kennedy advised that he is the “affected neighbour” as defined in the tree guidelines. Mr. Kennedy expressed opposition to the application to top a tree on municipal property due to the potential negative impact on the privacy of his residence.

Audio: 00:09

Agenda Varied

In accordance with Item 2, the agenda was varied to consider Item 8Di at this time.

8. Reports

Change in Chair

Mayor McLaughlin declared that he is also an “affected neighbour” in respect to the next item on the Agenda and relinquished the Chair but, in earlier consultation with the CAO, determined he was not in a conflict of interest. Councillor Bain assumed the Chair.

D. Committees

i. Trees, Views and Landscape Committee – Tree App #98: 385 Oceanview Road

Discussion ensued on:

- The applicant requested that the trees be trimmed further following BC Hydro’s initial trimming
- Whether the trimming performed by BC Hydro brings the height of the trees to the proposed cut line in the application
- Suggestion that the decision on the application be deferred until the next Council meeting to allow the Trees, Views and Landscapes Committee to revisit the site to take photographs from the properties of the affected neighbours
- The opinion of the affected neighbours deserves the same consideration as the applicant given that the tree is on municipal property
- Mr. Kennedy advised that he is willing to accept the trimming of the trees by an additional one foot to limit the impact to the privacy of his property.

Moved/Seconded

THAT

- (1) the applicant for tree application #98: 385 Oceanview Road is permitted to trim and level off the four (4) firs mentioned in the application by an additional 12 inches from the BC Hydro cut line. The applicant must clean up and remove all associated debris; and
- (2) the dogwood mentioned in the application is to be removed; topping is not permitted. The applicant must clean up and remove all associated debris.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: CLR. ABBOTT

Audio: 00:32

Change in Chair

Mayor McLaughlin reassumed the Chair.

Agenda Varied

The order of the agenda was resumed.

4. Public Delegation Requests Accepted by Agenda Deadline (10 minutes maximum)

None

5. Review & Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings

A. Regular Council Meeting – December 17, 2019

The 3rd discussion bullet in item 8Ai – 2020 Council Meeting Schedule was amended to read: “A request to maintain the current schedule of holding Council meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, as residents expect Council meetings to be held on these days, and to hold Special Council meetings, as required.”

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2019 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

B. Council Strategy Committee Meeting – November 25 and 26, 2019

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Council Strategy Committee Meeting draft Minutes of November 25 and 26, 2019 be received for information with the following suggested amendments:

- Spell out A/C watermains as “Asbestos/Cement watermains” on page 16 of 106.

- Delete the last line of paragraph i on page 18 of 106 and replace it with the following:
“It was suggested that creating a bigger tax base is preferable over increasing the taxes payable, which statement was not agreed with by all members of Council.”

CARRIED

Councillor Abbott suggested that if the Village undertakes a major update of the Official Community Plan (OCP), it be conducted in a manner similar to the last OCP review, which was done at minimal cost with the use of volunteer resources.

Councillor Abbott expressed concern that CAO DeJong had requested he change the wording of the article that he had prepared for the Village Update regarding options/implications of the Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) on land use planning in Lions Bay per the draft minutes at pages 26-27 of 106 in respect of Item X: Urban Containment Boundary.

C. Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award (CSMTFA) Committee Meeting – January 7, 2020

The draft minutes of the January 7, 2020 Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award Committee meeting was provided on table.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award Committee Meeting Minutes of January 7, 2020 be received for information.

CARRIED

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6. Business Arising from the Minutes

None

7. Unfinished Business

A. Follow-Up Action Items from Previous Meetings

#	Meeting Date	Description of Action Item	Action
104	September 17, 2019	G2: Letter from Minister of Public Safety re. Speeding on Sea to sky – Mayor to contact the Mayor of Squamish and the RCMP.	Mayor McLaughlin to follow up.
122	December 17, 2019	R1: Trevor Luciuk – Wood Burning – Councillor Abbott to respond	Completed

B. Location of Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations

PWM Jaffer reported that quotations had been requested from land surveyors. The survey work will be issued following the receipt of the quotations.

C. 2020 Council Meeting Schedule

CAO DeJong referenced the proposed 2020 Council Meeting schedule and highlighted:

- Proposed changes to the February and March 2020 meeting dates, moving them back to the first and third Tuesdays of the month
- The January 28, 2020 meeting is required for CFO Rooke to bring forward utility budgets
- Three options for the fall 2020 schedule.

Discussion ensued on the suggestion that the June and July 2020 meetings be held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Staff indicated that the three week intervals between meetings in June and July 2020 are required to provide more time to work on substantive matters.

Moved/Seconded

THAT Council approves the 2020 meeting dates, as presented, with the inclusion of Option C for the fall 2020 schedule.

CARRIED
OPPOSED: CLR. ABBOTT

Audio: 01:06

8. Reports (Continued)

A. Staff

i. CAO - Information Report: Strategic Planning and 2020 Priority Setting

CAO DeJong reviewed the report and attachments provided with the agenda material.

Discussion ensued on:

- The lists of top 10 priorities includes all ideas submitted by Councillors
- Suggestion that the goals be deleted from the poster to make it easier to read
- The need to include the improvement of transit schedules as a 2020 priority
- Confirmation that the poster and the entire report will be publicly available
- Suggestion to continue to focus on emergency management
- Suggestion to possibly edit the list of projects for public consumption.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Information Report titled “Strategic Planning and 2020 Priority Setting” be received.

CARRIED

Audio: 01:17

ii. CAO Request for Direction: Metro Wood Burning Bylaw

CAO DeJong reviewed the report and noted:

- The capital costs of replacing or retrofitting a non-compliant wood burning appliance are disproportionate to the financial incentives offered through the Metro Vancouver (MV) Wood Stove Exchange Program
- Suggestion that MV be requested to assist the Village in lobbying FortisBC to extend natural gas services to Lions Bay, as conversion from a wood burning appliance to natural gas would be the most beneficial in terms of reducing harmful wood smoke particulate emissions.

Discussion ensued on:

- Potential options to transport natural gas to Lions Bay
- Analysis of the options to pursue desired results:
 - Recommendation that the Village seek deferred applicability of the proposed bylaw for a period of seven years (e.g. 2032 when the Energy Step Code is scheduled to be fully implemented) and request resources and assistance from MV
 - Strategy to improve the likelihood of success of the Village’s request for deferred applicability of the proposed bylaw
- The proposed bylaw is financially punitive and is not viable for many Village residents.

Moved/Seconded

THAT:

- (1) Council seek deferred applicability of the proposed Metro Vancouver bylaw for residential indoor wood burning for a period of seven years; and
- (2) Council request resources and assistance from Metro Vancouver in pursuit of:
 - A. A more concentrated education and incentives campaign;
 - B. A campaign to lobby FortisBC to extend their gas line to Lions Bay; and
 - C. Gradual conversion of inefficient wood burning appliances for compliant ones or for non-wood burning appliances through education, incentives and a new Building bylaw.

CARRIED

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B. Mayor

i. Composition of Infrastructure Committee (IC) for 2020

Mayor McLaughlin noted the vacancy created by the passing of a member of the Infrastructure Committee, Jim Mutrie. It has been suggested that Mr. Mutrie's chair be left vacant for one year. Mayor McLaughlin advised of his intention to vacate his designated position on the IC, and to continue to participate as an ex-officio member, in order to meet the required balance of resident and Council representatives on the IC.

ii. Plaque for Piano Donation

Moved/Seconded

THAT an expenditure of up to \$100 be approved for a small plaque to be placed in Broughton Hall to acknowledge the donation of the piano.

CARRIED

iii. January 14, 2020 TransLink Events

Mayor McLaughlin advised that the TransLink buses were delayed on the morning of January 14, 2020 by over one hour, leaving several residents waiting in the severe weather for an extended period of time. There was no notice of or reason for the delay provided to the transit users.

TransLink staff has been requested to provide an explanation and acknowledgement of the impact of the delays. Mayor McLaughlin will relay the response provided by TransLink in the next issue of the Village Update.

C. Council

None

D. Committees

i. Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award (CSMTFA) Committee

Councillor Abbott requested that:

- CAO DeJong commence recruitment to fill the two vacancies on the CSMTFA Committee
- CFO Rooke contact the Vancity Foundation regarding the conditions for receiving matching for funds invested
- CFO Rooke provide information regarding when the first Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund was established.

E. Emergency Services

i. RCMP Monthly Report

Moved/Seconded

THAT the RCMP Monthly Report be received for information.

CARRIED

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9. Resolutions

None

10. Bylaws

None

11. Correspondence

A. List of Correspondence to January 9, 2020

Moved/Seconded

THAT the following actions be taken with respect to the correspondence:

- G1: BC Natural Resources Forum (Page 1) – No action required
- G2: \$10 a Day Child Care Plan (Page 2) see PDF attachment on digital version – No action required
- G3: North Shore Congress (Page 3) – Councillor Barmeier to attend
- G4: Lower Mainland Local Government Association: Call for Resolutions and Nominations (Page 6) – No action required
- G5: Howe Sound Community Forum (Page 13) – Add April 24, 2020 as the date of the next Howe Sound Community Forum to the corporate calendar
- G6: BC Hydro Community Relations Annual Report 2019 (Page 17) see PDF attachment on digital version – No action required
- G7: 2019 Survey of Licensed Child Care Spaces and Policies (Page 18) – No action required
- R1: Trevor Luciuk - Wood Burning – Response provided by Cllr. Abbott.

Councillor Abbott suggested that all resident correspondence provided to Council regarding the cell tower should have been included in the correspondence section of the agenda material as that is where residents expect to see their communications. CAO DeJong noted that the correspondence was already included in the body of the agenda. It was agreed that in the future, staff to list the correspondence received and to provide a cross-reference to the location of the documents in the body of the agenda, if they are not contained in the correspondence section.

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12. New Business

None

13. Public Questions & Comments (2 minutes on any topic discussed in this meeting)

None

14. Closed Council Meeting

Proposed topics for discussion in the absence of the public:

- A. Disposition of Property
- B. Legal Advice
- C. Labour and Employee Relations.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the meeting be closed to the public on the basis of matters to be considered under the following sections of the *Community Charter*:

90(1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

- c) labour relations and other employee relations
- e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality
- i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2).

CARRIED

Mayor McLaughlin advised that Council does not anticipate reconvening the open meeting for any purpose other than to adjourn the meeting generally and report out if applicable.

The meeting was closed to the public at 9:37 p.m.

The meeting was reopened to the public at 10:15 p.m.

15. Reporting Out from Closed Portion of Meeting

Mayor McLaughlin reported that the Closed Report on Corporate Strategic Planning and 2020 Priority Setting was received.

16. Adjournment

Moved/Seconded

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 10:16 pm.

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Date Approved by Council:	January 28, 2020
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