



MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY

**March 24, 2025, 12:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, 400 Centre Road, Lions Bay
And Via Zoom Video Conference**

In Attendance: Mayor Ken Berry
Councillor Neville Abbott
Councillor Michael Broughton
Councillor Jaime Cunliffe

Staff In Attendance: Chief Administrative Officer, Ross Blackwell
Director of Operations, Karl Buhr
Deputy Corporate Officer, Kristal Kenna

1. Call to Order

Mayor Berry called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM

Mayor Berry provided background on the purpose of the agenda of the Special Meeting; specifically, that it is a continuation of discussions had in both the Open and Closed sessions of the March 18th, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Broughton

Seconded by: Councillor Abbott

That the Agenda of March 24, 2025, be adopted.

CARRIED

3. Public Participation

A. Ron McLaughlin: Spoke in support of universal water metering.

- B. Scott Ando: Spoke in support of universal water metering.
- C. Ingrid Wray: Questioned whether there is any rationale for not accepting the grant for universal water metering.
- D. Gregan Dunn: Spoke in support of universal water metering.
- E. Marek Sredzki: Not in favour of universal water metering. Would like to see other projects move forward first, would not like to see universal metering implemented to charge for water.
- F. Norma Rodgers: Spoke in support of universal water metering.
- G. Norm Barmeier: Spoke in support of universal water metering and water use data collection to assist in asset management.
- H. Jan Erik Schneider: Not in favour of universal water metering, concerned - that this step will lead to high-density development.

4. Delegations

- none

5. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings

- none

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

- none

7. Unfinished Business

- none

8. Reports

8.1 Staff

8.1.1 BC WATER METERING PILOT PROJECT GRANT

Staff presented a report on a grant offered from the Province of BC to cover 100% of the costs of implementing universal water metering in the Village. The report also detailed the execution of the installation of the meters.

Discussion on Motion #1 referenced the responsibility of Council to examine the grant and project. Further, Staff noted that, grants are contingent on managing water supply, and future water grants may not be offered if universal metering is not implemented. Bylaws may be required to be updated.

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Moved by: Councillor Broughton

Seconded by: Councillor Abbott

THAT Council directs the CAO to execute the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs Contribution Agreement before its noon March 25, 2025, deadline;

CARRIED

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Moved by: Councillor Abbott

Seconded by: Councillor Cunliffe

THAT Council commits the municipality to deliver the proposed project by 31 March 2027 and to participate in the ongoing Pilot Project.

CARRIED

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Moved by: Councillor Broughton

Seconded by: Councillor Cunliffe

THAT staff be instructed to use non-USA suppliers where possible, for all components of the Universal Water Metering installation.

CARRIED

8.2 Committees

8.2.1 Infrastructure Committee and Climate Action Chair Report: Implementation of Water Metering Grant in Lions Bay

Councillor Abbott

8.3 Mayor and Council

- none

8.4 Emergency Services

- none

9. Resolutions

- none

10. Bylaws

- none

11. Correspondence

- none

12. New Business

12.1 Annual Workplan Sequence and Scheduling

This item was not discussed.

12.2 Staffing

State of Emergency will stay in place until the foreseeable future. Council's Conversation with the District of North Vancouver was helpful.

13. Public Questions and Comments

- none

14. Closure of Council Meeting

The meeting moved to a closed session at 12:54 PM

Moved by: Mayor Berry

Seconded by: Councillor Abbott

THAT the meeting be closed to the public on the basis of matters to be considered under the following sections of the Community Charter and where required, the Council does consider that the matters could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public:

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;

90 (2) (b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party;

CARRIED

15. Reporting Out from Closed Portion of Meeting

Council had a discussion on the Battani Creek debris flow.

The Closed session moved to return to Open at 1:11 PM

16. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Abbott
Seconded by: Councillor Broughton

THAT the Special Meeting of Council be adjourned.

The Special Meeting of Council adjourned at 1:12 PM

CARRIED

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Date Adopted by Council: April 1, 2025