



SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

JANUARY 11, 2024

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF THE SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE BOARDROOM AT 1975 FIELD ROAD, SECHELT, B.C.

PRESENT:	Chair	Electoral Area A	L. Lee
	Directors	Electoral Area B	J. Gabias
		Electoral Area D	K. Backs
		Electoral Area E	D. McMahon
		Electoral Area F – Alternate	K. Stamford
		District of Sechelt	A. Toth
		District of Sechelt	D. Inkster
		Town of Gibsons	S. White
ALSO PRESENT:	Chief Administrative Officer		D. McKinley
	Corporate Officer		S. Reid
	General Manager, Corporate Services		T. Perreault
	General Manager, Community Services		S. Gagnon (in part)
	Executive Coordinator		C. Armitage
	Legislative Assistant/Recorder		K. Wiebe
	Media		1
	Public		1

**Directors, staff, and other attendees present for the meeting may have participated by means of electronic or other communication facilities.*

CALL TO ORDER 2:15 p.m.

AGENDA It was moved and seconded

004/24 THAT the agenda for the meeting be adopted, as amended, as follows:

- by adding an item under new business; and
- striking Directors' reports from the agenda.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Minutes **It was moved and seconded**

005/24 THAT the Regular Board meeting minutes of December 14, 2023 be adopted.

CARRIED

REPORTS

COW

It was moved and seconded

006/24

THAT Committee of the Whole recommendation Nos. 1 - 8 of December 14, 2023 be received, adopted and acted upon as follows:

Recommendation No. 1 *Feasibility Study Garden Bay Water Treatment Improvement*

THAT the report titled Garden Bay Water Treatment Facility Update Report be received for information.

Recommendation No. 2 *Garden Bay Water Treatment Facility Update Report*

THAT the report titled Garden Bay Water Treatment Facility Update Report be received for information.

Recommendation No. 3 *2024 Call for Resolutions to the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC)*

THAT the report titled 2024 Call for Resolutions to the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) be received for information;

AND THAT resolutions on the following topics be drafted and presented to the January 11, 2024, Committee of the Whole meeting:

- Ports prioritization and capital maintenance
- Increased funding for engagement with local governments with respect to roads
- Increased maintenance funding for rural road improvements
- Improved road design for increased safety for vulnerable road users
- BC Transit regarding free transit for students

Recommendation No. 4 *Coopers Green Park Community Hall/Building – Procurement for Ongoing Operations*

THAT the report titled Coopers Green Park Community Hall/Building – Procurement for Ongoing Operations be received for information;

AND THAT a procurement process for the operations of the building at Coopers Green Park that includes the following parameters be initiated as follows:

- a. Proposals conform to any of the permitted uses, as per the zoning; and
- b. Proponents are responsible for all operating expenses including minor repairs and maintenance; and
- c. Proponents accept the building in its current condition and be responsible for all capital renewals and major repairs.

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AND FURTHER THAT staff report to the Board with the results and options from the public procurement process.

Recommendation No. 5 *BC Timber Sales (BCTS) – Timber Sales Licence TA0521*

THAT the report titled BC Timber Sales (BCTS) – Timber Sales License TA0521 be received for information;

AND THAT the Board of the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) send a letter to BC Timber Sales (BCTS) and the BC Ministry of Forests asking to remove the proposed cut blocks referred to as TA0521 on Mount Elphinstone from the BCTS Operating Plan;

AND THAT the SCRD requests BCTS to undertake hydrogeological studies to evaluate potential impacts of logging these TA0521 blocks on downstream properties, well and surface water users and infrastructure;

AND THAT the SCRD submits a formal request to the provincial government to legally designate TA0521 blocks on Mount Elphinstone as legal, spatial Old Growth Management Area (OGMA) for recruitment purposes - as per the recommendations of the BC Old Growth Technical Advisory Panel;

AND FURTHER THAT the letter and request, along with supporting maps, be sent to the following parties with a request for a written response:

- Pierre Aubin, Practices Forester, BC Timber Sales (BCTS);
- Derek Lefler, District Manager Sunshine Coast Natural Resource District, Ministry of Forests;
- Nicholas Simons, MLA Powell River/Sunshine Coast;
- Honourable Bruce Ralston, BC Minister of Forests; and
- Honourable Nathan Cullen, BC Minister of Lands, Waters and Resource Stewardship.

Recommendation No. 6 *Water Supply Advisory Committee Minutes - November 6, 2023*

THAT the Water Supply Advisory Committee (WASAC) meeting minutes of November 6, 2023, be received for information.

Recommendation No. 7 *Solid Waste Management Plan Public and Technical Advisory Committee Minutes – October 24, 2023*

THAT the Solid Waste Management Plan Public and Technical Advisory Committee (PTAC) meeting minutes of October 24, 2023, be received for information.

006/24 cont. **Recommendation No. 8** *Gibsons and District Fire Protection Commission Minutes - November 27, 2023*

THAT the report titled Recreation Software – Information Report be received for information.

COW **It was moved and seconded**

007/24 THAT Committee of the Whole recommendation No. 4 of January 11, 2024 be received, adopted and acted upon as follows:

Recommendation No. 4 *Water System Fire Flow Update*

THAT staff come back with a revision of appropriate Bylaw(s) that are consistent with our current practice for fire flow standards to be used when assessing water infrastructure upgrades associated with development.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS

District of Sechelt **It was moved and seconded**

008/24 THAT the letter dated November 30, 2023 regarding public apology from District of Sechelt Council on SCRD workplace incident be received for information.

CARRIED

MOTIONS

Grant Application **It was moved and seconded**

009/24 *THAT the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD), along with the shíshálh Nation, approves the District of Sechelt as the lead applicant to apply for, receive, and manage the Complete Communities grant of up to \$250,000 on our behalf;*

AND THAT the Sunshine Coast Regional District supports the current proposed activities identified in the application.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Town of Gibsons **It was moved and seconded**

010/24 THAT the Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) supply a letter of support to the Town of Gibsons for their application to the Union of BC Municipalities for the Complete Communities grant.

CARRIED

Meeting Cancellation **It was moved and seconded**

011/24 THAT both the Committee of the Whole and Regular Board meetings of the Sunshine Coast Regional District scheduled for April 11, 2024 be cancelled to allow for Directors to attend the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Convention.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

The Board moved In Camera at 2:26 p.m.

IN CAMERA It was moved and seconded

012/24 THAT the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in accordance with Section 90 (1) (e) and (k) of the *Community Charter* – “the acquisition, disposition of expropriation of land or improvement [...]”, “negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service [...]”

CARRIED

The Board moved out of In Camera at 2:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

013/24 THAT the Regular Board meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

Certified correct _____
Corporate Officer

Confirmed this _____ day of _____

Chair