

**TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN**  
Minutes of a Public Hearing held on  
Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016



PRESENT: Mayor Ross Forrest  
Councillor Carolyne Austin  
Councillor Bob K. Day  
Councillor Tim McGonigle  
Councillor Lorna Vomacka

STAFF: Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer  
Ronnie Gill, Director of Finance  
Kari Lingren, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC: 6

Mayor Forrest called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**1. OPENING REMARKS**

- (a) The Mayor explained the process for the public hearing. The purpose of the hearing was to provide the public the opportunity for input on the proposed Town of Lake Cowichan Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 970-2016 and Town of Lake Cowichan Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 971-2016.

The Mayor also established the rules of conduct for the conduct of the hearing.

Mayor Forrest called for any questions on the process he had laid out for the public hearing.

Hearing none, Mayor Forrest then called on the Chief Administrative Officer to introduce the bylaws.

**2. BYLAW NO. 970-2016**

- (a) The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw had been given 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> readings by Council on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016. He stated there had to be consistency between the Official Community Plan (OCP) and the Zoning bylaws.

The Chief Administrative Officer further advised that the requirements of the public notice process have been met and that two written submissions had been submitted as of the end of the business day, this day.

- (b) ⇒ The Mayor called for public input.

Dalton Smith

Dalton Smith, Nantree Rd, stated that he had written a letter with his concerns of the land between Lakeview and CLEC. The Chief Administrative Officer explained that uses for the property are established in the bylaw which Council would rely on for any future development of the property.

Hardy Parmar

Hardy Parmar, Moorefield Rd, informed the table that the First Nation was once promised the Lakeview and CLEC properties but it was never followed through with. He also

informed the Committee that the logging company has environmentally friendly standards and would do everything in its power not to disturb the local habitat and streams in the area.

⇒ The Mayor issued the second call for public input.

None.

⇒ The Mayor issued the third call for public input.

None.

- (c) Mayor Forrest stated that no more submissions would be accepted after the meeting and that the bylaw would be referred to the regular meeting following the public hearing.

**3. BYLAW NO. 971-2016**

The Mayor reiterated the rules for the conduct of the hearing and called for any questions on the process laid out for the public hearing.

- (a) The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the Zoning Amendment Bylaw had been given 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> readings by Council on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.

The Chief Administrative Officer further advised that the requirements of the public notice process have been met and that two written submissions had been submitted as of the end of the business day, this day.

- (b) ⇒ The Mayor called for public input.  
None.

⇒ The Mayor issued the second call for public input.  
None.

⇒ The Mayor issued the third call for public input.  
None.

- (c) Mayor Forrest stated that no more submissions would be accepted after the meeting and that the bylaw would be referred to the regular meeting following the public hearing.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Forrest declared the public hearing for the proposed Bylaws No. 970-2016 and No. 971-2016 closed and advised that the Bylaws be returned to Council for further consideration (6:25 pm.).

Certified correct \_\_\_\_\_.

Confirmed on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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Mayor