

TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of a Regular meeting of Council held on
Tuesday, March 22nd, 2016



PRESENT: Mayor Ross Forrest
Councillor Carlyne 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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Forrest called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

2. AGENDA

No. R.0027/16

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the agenda be approved.

CARRIED.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

No. R.0028/16

(a) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Day
that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on
February 23rd, 2016 be adopted.

CARRIED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

5. DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

(a) Dr. P Hasselback, Island Health, presented the Medical Health Officer Report to the Committee which he stated had just become available online. Dr. Hasselback informed the committee on two aspects of the report: alcohol consumption and tobacco usage as they related to Lake Cowichan.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

7. REPORTS

No. R.0029/16
Finance and Administration

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting held on March 8th, 2016 be approved with the following:

1-Fire Department Incident Report
that Council approve the acceptance of the Lake Cowichan Fire Department's incidents report for January, 2016 totaling \$7,454.18.

2-Water Parcel Tax

that Council approve the Water Parcel Tax be increased from \$100.00 to \$140.00.

3-Irrigation Work at Little League Field

that Council approve \$10,000.00 for irrigation work at the Little League Field.

4-Flow Meter and Recorder

that Council approve \$20,000.00 for the purchase and installation of a Flow Meter and Recorder.

CARRIED.

No. R.0030/16
Public Works and
Environmental Services

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the minutes of the Public Works and Environmental Services Committee meeting held on March 1st, 2016 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

No. R.0031/16
Parks, Recreation and Culture

Moved: Councillor Vomacka
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee meeting held on March 1st, 2016 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

No. R.0032/16
Economic and Sustainable
Development

Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the minutes of the Economic and Sustainable Development Committee meeting held on March 8th, 2016 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Cowichan Lake Recreation

The minutes of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting held on February 18th, 2016 were treated as information.

Vancouver Island Regional
Library

Councillor Vomacka updated Council on for improvements being considered for use by the Vancouver Island Regional Libraries.

Mayor Forrest informed the Committee of a living library concept that is being used in other communities. He suggested that a living library be envisioned for Lake Cowichan, where invited guests can share their personal stories at the new Town Square.

Ohtaki Twinning Committee

Mayor Forrest stated that a date has not yet been set for the next meeting for Ohtaki but that one should be held soon.

Advisory Planning Commission

Councillor McGonigle reported that the Advisory Planning Commission meeting is to be held on Thursday, March 24th, 2016.

Community Forest Co-
operative

Councillor McGonigle updated Council on the plans that are underway for the Forest Co-op to welcome nearly 100 delegates into Lake Cowichan for the annual meeting to be held May 26th through to 28th, 2016. He also wanted to personally thank Linda Blatchford for securing accommodations for the conference.

Cowichan Valley Regional District Board

(b) Councillor Day gave a verbal report to Council on his attendance at the February 24th, 2016 Cowichan Valley Regional District's Board meeting.

Social Planning Cowichan

Councillor Austin reported that the Social Planning Cowichan Committee had no meeting but is looking for new board members at the upcoming Annual General Meeting on April 5, 2016.

Community Safety Advisory

Councillor Austin advised that the Community Safety Advisory group has three new board members but is still in need of a president.

Seniors' Care Facility

Councillor McGonigle updated the committee that the Seniors' Care Group is finalizing plans for the March 31, 2016 Public Meeting.

8. BYLAWS

No. R.0033/16
Bylaw No. 970-2016
Official Community Plan
Amendment

(a) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 970-2016" be read a third time.

CARRIED.

No. R.0034/16
Bylaw No. 970-2016
Official Community Plan
Amendment

(b) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Day
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 970-2016" be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.0035/16
Bylaw No. 971-2016
Zoning Amendment

(c) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 971-2016" be read a third time.

CARRIED.

No. R.0036/16
Bylaw No. 971-2016
Zoning Amendment

(d) Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 971-2016" be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.0037/16
Bylaw No. 972-2016
Sewer Regulations and
Rates

(e) Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Sewer Regulations and Rates Bylaw No. 972-2016" be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.0038/16
Bylaw No. 973-2016
Water Parcel Tax

(f) Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Water Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 973-2016" be read a first, second and third time.

CARRIED.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. MAYOR’S REPORT

The Mayor presented his report for March, 2016 with the following highlights:

- “Still Standing!”, producers of the award winning CBC Show about small Canadian communities will be coming to Lake Cowichan to film a show for their upcoming 2016 season;
- He expressed his congratulations to Betty Weberg Sanddar, Cindy Vast, Krystal and Dustin Mayo, Lola Sinclair, Glenda Osborne Burg, Corrie Helliwell and Patti Skramstad for receiving awards from the Chamber;
- The Chamber of Commerce monthly business dinner , at the Cow Café, was well attended with guest speaker Brent Evans of the German Auto Import Network, in attendance to speak about the new Island Motor Sport Resort;
- February 27th, 2016 saw the installation of the community’s newly formed Knette Club of Lake Cowichan;
- The Community Health and Wellness Fair was held at the Cowichan Lake Sports Arena curling rink, with 39 exhibitors displaying their products. Melanie Livingstone was thanked for organizing the event;
- Safer water standards established by Island Health and the recent boil water advisories see the need for improving the water treatment process. The Water Parcel Tax is being increased to \$140.00 to help offset the cost of the very costly secondary water treatment plant that is mandated for completion by 2017; and
- Extended thanks to the citizens of Lake Cowichan for their understanding and patience on the boil water advisories.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

12. IN CAMERA

No. R.0039/16
In-Camera

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Day
that Council close the meeting to the public to deal with issues relating to labor relations or other employee relations, land matters and law enforcement under Section 90(1) (c), (e) and (f) of the Community Charter respectively (7:40 p.m.).
CARRIED.

13. ADJOURNMENT

No. R.0040/16
Adjournment

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Day
that we arise without a report and adjourn (9:30 p.m.).
CARRIED.

Certified correct _____.

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2016.

Mayor