



TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of a Regular meeting of Council

Tuesday, January 24th, 2017

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

STAFF: Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Kari Lingren, Recording Secretary

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **AGENDA**

No. R.001/17

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the agenda be with the following additions:
Correspondence (Action Item): 2017- Order of British Columbia: Call for Nominations; and
New Business: Request for leave of absence for Councillor Day.

CARRIED.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

No. R.002/17

(a) Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 20th, 2016 be adopted.

CARRIED.

4. **BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

5. **DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS**

(a) Don Beldessi, attending on behalf of his father Sam Beldessi, addressed Council on his concerns on the snow and ice removal process within the Town during the recent snow falls. He was not satisfied with the length of time it took for the clearing of sidewalks and roads in and around the Evergreen Centre and the Seniors Centre. He mentioned that some seniors were forced to be housebound, while, others suffered falls due to the icy conditions.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) **Action Items**

(i) The correspondence item on local government smoke-free bylaws is being dealt with by Cindy Lise, of Our Cowichan, and the Smoke Free Task Force.

which included the launch of PlaceSpeak, where, one can register online and comment on events or projects, and an update on the new Cowichan District Hospital project.

- Community Outreach Team (ii) Councillor Austin informed Council that the Community Outreach Team’s last meeting was held on January 19th, 2017. The meeting dealt with schizophrenia.
- Seniors’ Care Facility (iii) Councillor McGonigle informed council that the next Senior Care Facility meeting will be held on January 26th, 2016.
- Community Safety Advisory (iv) Councillor Austin mentioned to Council that she would like to step down from the Community Advisory Committee. She hoped that someone else may be able to attend the monthly meetings.

(c) Staff Reports

- No. R.006/17 (i) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Day
that Council re-appoint all of the incumbents and Kate Burrige and Robert Patterson to the Advisory Planning Commission for a two year term ending in 2018.

CARRIED.

- No. R.007/17 Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative (ii) Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that Council approve the making of two separate grant applications under the Strategic Wildfire Initiative for a grant of \$10,000 for FireSmart Planning and a grant of \$22,500 for a Community Wildfire Protection Plan and CWPP Update Program and Council further provides assurance that it would support all of the proposed activities under both plans and would undertake the overall management of the grants.

CARRIED.

- No. R.008/17 (iii) Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that Council move the approval of the issuance to the applicant of a Development Permit for Lot 1, Plan EPP29355 (181 South Shore) subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. A rainwater management plan completed to the satisfaction of Town staff and in compliance with Town Development Permit Guidelines and the Subdivision, Works & Servicing Bylaw.
 - 2. The permit will note that any new or replacement exterior light fixtures are to be shielded.

And Approve a Development Variance Permit for the same location in accordance with the following conditions:

- 1. A variance of 2.65 m of the front lot line requirement of 3.0 m to permit a 0.35 m front lot line for that portion of the building encroaching in the setback as shown on the site plan, attached as an appendix.
- 2. A variance of 0.05 m of the Southern interior lot line requirement of 3.0 m to permit a 2.95 m interior lot line.

CARRIED.

8. BYLAWS

No. R.009/17
No. 985-2016
Fees and Charges for
Services

(a) Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Fees and Charges for
Services Bylaw No. 985-2016" be given third reading.

CARRIED.

9. NEW BUSINESS

No. R.0010/17

(a) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that Councillor Day be approved for a leave of absence from
the Committee meetings of February 7th, 2017.

CARRIED.

10. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor presented his report for January which highlighted:

- The many 2017 capital projects for the Town including Water Treatment Plant, Water main upgrades, and Centennial Park upgrades;
- Other projects include planned Duck Pond washrooms upgrades, new ramp at the boat ramp by the Weir, roofing upgrades at the Visitor Centre and the Saywell Park Pavilion, paving of Cowichan Ave from King George round-a-bout to South Shore Rd, Town Hall and Council Chambers upgrade to name a few;
- Stressed the importance of volunteer committees and organizations to planning and implementing projects that make our community a better place;
- Longtime residents Dave Darling and Bill Peters are stepping down from the Cowichan Lake Recreation after serving many years on that committee. A huge thank you to both of them for their dedication to our town; and
- Pleaded for use of extra caution when crossing at the light activated crosswalks in town by activating those lights, it can reduce the potential for unnecessary accidents and injuries.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

12. IN CAMERA

No. R.0011/17

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that Council close the meeting to the public to deal with issues relating to labor relations or other employee relations and about an identifiable individual being considered for a municipal award or honour under Sections 90(1)(b) and 90(1) (c) of the Community Charter respectively (6:59 p.m.).

CARRIED.

13. ADJOURNMENT

No. R.0012/17
Adjournment

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Day
that we adjourn (7:55 p.m.).

CARRIED.