



TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of a Regular meeting of Council

Held and transmitted electronically via the Lake Cowichan Fire Hall located at 3 North Shore Road, Lake Cowichan, BC on Tuesday, July 26th, 2022.

PRESENT: Mayor Bob K. Day, Chair
Councillor Carlyne Austin
Councillor Tim McGonigle
Councillor Kristine Sandhu
Councillor Lorna Vomacka

STAFF: Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Jas Sandhu, Superintendent, Public Works and Engineering Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Day called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

2. AGENDA

No. R.081/22
Agenda

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

No. R.082/22
Regular Meeting

- (a)** Moved: Councillor Sandhu
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held on June 28th, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

5. DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

- (a)** Brodie Guy, Chief Executive Officer with the Island Coastal Economic Trust, gave a power point presentation on the Trust's mission and highlighted the following:

- Brief history of the Island Trust and the geographic area it covers;
- Its governance and accountability model;
- Recounted the funding streams for the organization;
- Made a plea for additional funding as available funding is at \$4.5 million;
- Urged council to lobby for the provincial government to make a significant investment in recapitalizing the Trust after 15 years of the initial contribution of \$50 million;
- A vision for the Renewal of the Trust; and
- Evaluations of the economic trusts in the three rural regions.

- (b)** Pam Jorgenson and Molly Hudson, Mosaic gave a Mosaic Forest Management Briefing through a power point presentation which highlighted local topics of interest on:

- Role and responsibilities of Mosaic
- Leading safety performance;
- Key accomplishments by the company;

- Carbon credit opportunities and big coast carbon project;
- Watershed management;
- Recreational access and local activities; and
- Public access and local tour opportunity.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Action Items:

None.

(b) Information or Consent Items

None.

7. REPORTS

(a) Council and other Committee Reports

- (i)** Moved: Councillor Austin
 Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
 that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held electronically on July 12th, 2022, be approved with the following:

1-Fire Department Incident Report

that Council approve the Lake Cowichan Fire Department’s incident report in the amount of \$12,113.88 for May 2022;

2—Fire Department Incident Report

that Council approve the Lake Cowichan Fire Department’s incident report in the amount of \$10,689.31 for June 2022.

CARRIED.

No. R.083/22
 Committee of
 the Whole

Cowichan Lake
 Recreation
 Commission

- (ii)** There was no report for the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission.

Vancouver Island
 Regional Library

- (iii)** Councillor Vomacka gave a verbal report on the Vancouver Island Regional Library.

Advisory Planning
 Commission

- (iv)** Councillor Austin reported verbally on the Commission’s meeting held on June 30th, 2022.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled to be held on August 25th, 2022.

Councillor Vomacka wanted to know about being able to charge for the use of the charging stations and the installation of e-bike charging stations.

Community Forest
 Co-operative

- (v)** No report was forthcoming on the Community Forest Co-op.

(b) Other Reports

Cowichan Valley
 Regional District

- (i)** Councillor McGonigle gave a verbal report on his attendance at the Committee of the Whole and the CVRD Board meetings that were held.

Community Outreach
 Team

- (ii)** Councillor Austin reported on her attendance at the Outreach Team meeting.

Our Cowichan

- (iii)** Councillor Sandhu reported on her attendance at the Our Cowichan meeting held on July 14th, 2022.

Cowichan Watershed
 Board

- (iv)** Councillor Sandhu reported on the shoreline assessment meeting that was held on July 14th, 2022.

(c) Staff Reports

None.

8. BYLAWS

No. R.084/22
Water Rates and
Regulations Bylaw
No. 1076-2022

- (a)** Moved: Councillor Sandhu
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Water Rates and Regulations Bylaw
No. 1076-2022" be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

9. NEW BUSINESS

No. R.085/22
Grant-in-Aid for 2022

- (a)** Moved: Councillor Sandhu
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that Council approve a grant-in-aid for 2022 for up to \$500 for the
Cowichan Lake River Stewardship Society.

CARRIED.

No. R.086/22
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- (b)** Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that Council through UBCM formally request the provincial government
to make a generational investment in the renewal and transformation
of Island Coastal Economic Trust into a permanent, ESG focused, First
Nations and local government led Trust focused on building
sustainable, resilient communities, for generations to come.

CARRIED.

10. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Day presented his Mayor's Report for July 2022 which included
the following:

- Thanking the public works and Lakeview Park departments for all their work in preparing for the summer season and the influx of visitors to our beautiful Town and surrounding areas;
- The need to be mindful of how to look out for others because of the extreme temperatures we are experiencing and shared tips on helping to stay cool'
- Spoke on the recent human encounters with wildlife because of improperly stored residential and commercial food waste;
- Advised that staff has been relocated to the former Credit Union building at 38 King George Street while the major upgrades at the municipal hall are underway;
- Advised that Council would not be holding any meetings in the month of August and the next meeting will be held and broadcasted from the temporary location of 38 King George Street;
- Provided information on the Province expanding its Speculation and Vacancy Tax to include the Town of Lake Cowichan, Ladysmith, North Cowichan, and Duncan;
- Meeting with MLA Sonia Furstenau to discuss issues and initiatives in the Town and how the Province can assist in facilitating those;
- The attendance of Mayor and Council at the upcoming Union of BC Municipalities conference in September;
- In closing he wished everyone a safe and happy August and that he was looking forward to getting back down to business in September.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

12. QUESTION PERIOD

13. IN CAMERA

No. R.087/22
In-Camera

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor
that Council close the meeting to the public to deal with issues which fall under of the *Community Charter* as follows:
s.90 (1) (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for municipal award or honour; and
s.90 (1) (f) law enforcement at (7.40 pm).

CARRIED.

14. ADJOURNMENT

No. R.088/22
Adjournment

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the meeting arise without report and be adjourned. (8.27 pm)
CARRIED.

Certified correct _____.

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2022.

Mayor