



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF MOUNT WADDINGTON  
**PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Sept. 15, 2015  
RDMW Office – 2044 McNeill Road, Port McNeill

PRESENT: Chair Heidi Soltau and Directors Jan Allen, Andrew Hory, Dennis Dugas, Dave Rushton, Phil Wainwright and Alternate Shelley Downey

STAFF: Greg Fletcher - Administrator, Jeff Long - Manager of Planning & Development Services, Melissa Tonkin - Recording Secretary

PUBLIC: None

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Soltau called the meeting to order at 12:32pm.

**B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved/Seconded/Carried  
THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

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AGENDA  
APPROVED AS  
PRESENTED

**C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held July 21, 2015.

Moved/Seconded/Carried  
That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on July 21, 2015 be adopted.

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PC MINUTES  
JULY 21, 2015  
APPROVED

**D. DELEGATIONS**

None

**E. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**F. REPORTS**

1. Staff Report: Regional Plan Review Process (September 4, 2015)

Chair Soltau called upon Jeff Long, Manager of Planning & Development Services, to present the staff report. Mr. Long advised that new proposed Regional Plan has been in the works since early 2014 and integrates a number of new policies, strategies and studies that the Board has adopted or commissioned since the 2003 Regional Plan was adopted. In addition, there has been significant work undertaken by the Regional Planning Committee as part of the Regional Plan review project in relation to policies with respect to First Nations, emergency planning, the provision of services, communication, energy, forestry, tourism and recreation. The draft Regional Plan is now being presented in bylaw format for consideration of proceeding with 1<sup>st</sup> reading and initiation of the public consultation process

associated with it. Mr. Long reviewed the proposed consultation process with the Committee.

Chair Soltau suggested that the consultation period be extended from 60 days to 90 days to give referral agencies and the public more time to undertake the review and complete their comments.

15-21  
REGIONAL PLAN  
BYLAW NO. 890

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT Planning Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that:

- 1) The Board gives 1<sup>st</sup> reading to Regional Plan Bylaw No. 890, 2015;
- 2) THAT Staff be directed to refer Regional Plan Bylaw No. 890, 2015 to the following governments, government agencies and departments, and organizations as part of a ninety day review and comment period:

Fisheries & Oceans Canada  
Ministry of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations  
Ministry of Community, Sport & Cultural Development  
Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure  
Ministry of Environment  
Agricultural Land Commission  
Island Health (Vancouver Island Health Authority)  
School District No. 85  
Strathcona Regional District  
Central Coast Regional District  
Caribou Regional District  
District of Port Hardy  
Town of Port McNeill  
Village of Alert Bay  
Village of Port Alice  
Kwakiutl First Nation  
'Namgis First Nation  
Da'naxda'xw Awaetlala Nation  
Tlowitsis First Nation  
Tsawataineuk First Nation  
Kwikwasut'inuxw Haxwa'mis First Nation  
Gwawaenuk Tribe  
Tlatlasikwala First Nation  
Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxda'xw Nations  
Quatsino First Nation  
Oweekeno/Wuikinuxv Nation  
Ulkatcho First Nation  
Coal Harbour Local Community Commission  
Hyde Creek Advisory Planning Commission  
Malcolm Island Advisory Planning Commission  
Quatsino Advisory Planning Commission  
Woss Residents Association  
Winter Harbor Ratepayers Association;

- 3) THAT Staff be directed to prepare advertisements to be placed in two editions of the North Island Gazette Newspaper and on the Regional District of Mount Waddington website to notify the public about proposed Regional Plan Bylaw No. 890, 2015 and to invite people to obtain a copy of the Bylaw and to submit

any comments they may have as part of a ninety day review and comment period; and,

- 4) THAT upon completion of the review and comment period associated with Regional Plan Bylaw No. 890, 2015, staff be directed to compile and provide the input received to the Regional Planning Committee at its meeting on January 19, 2016 for its consideration before proceeding with the public hearing component of the process associated with Regional Plan Bylaw No. 890, 2015.

**G. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**H. NEXT MEETING DATE**

October 20, 2015 if required

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

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ADJOURNMENT

Moved  
THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Time: 12:43 p.m.

CORRECT

APPROVED



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SECRETARY



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CHAIR