



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF MOUNT WADDINGTON BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

November 21, 2017

RDMW Office – 2044 McNeill Road, Port McNeill, BC

PRESENT: Chair Andrew Hory and Directors Shirley Ackland, Jan Allen, Hank Bood, Pat Corbett-Labatt, Dave Rushton and Alternate Director Cathy Denham. Heidi Soltau and Dennis Buchanan on the phone.

REGRETS: Phil Wainwright.

STAFF: Greg Fletcher – Administrator; Patrick Donaghy - Manager of Operations; Theresa Flynn - Treasurer; Melissa Tonkin - Recording Secretary; Joli White (Tourism Coordinator)

DELEGATIONS: Alice Cheung, Department of Fisheries and Oceans; Shannon Janzen, Kindry Mercer, Randy Bowes, John Flintoft and Clint Cadwallader, Western Forest Products Ltd.

MEDIA: Kathy O'Reilly - The Eagle Newspaper; Hanna Petersen - The North Island Gazette Newspaper

PUBLIC: 7

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hory called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Adoption of November 21, 2017 Agenda.
2. Nominations for Chair:

Moved/Seconded/Carried

RD CHAIR

THAT Andrew Hory be elected Regional District of Mount Waddington Chair.

3. Nominations for Vice-Chair:

Moved/Seconded/Carried

RD VICE-CHAIR

THAT Shirley Ackland be elected Regional District of Mount Waddington Vice-Chair.

Moved/Seconded/Carried

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AGENDA
APPROVED

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

DELEGATIONS

1. Department of Fisheries and Oceans - Alice Cheung, Regional Manager, Oceans Program presentation titled "Overview of Canada's Marine Conservation Targets Initiative (2017-2020)"

The delegate gave a presentation on the Overview of Canada's Marine Conservation Targets Initiative (2017-2020). Questions regarding which science we are talking about in regard to this. It is a combination of all the sciences together that form the end result. Are the Scott Island's in this MPA-yes. That process is led by Environment Canada, they are putting on a

protected area under their act. This group is concerned that they are going to be shanghaied by this new group and their work will in the past years will not be represented. We are aware of this issue and we are trying to manage this. The advisory groups are limited in their role but we as government take into account all public. We will take into account their work moving forward. In our decision making there are socioeconomic issues taken into account in some of these areas. Oceans Act is taking more time as there are more people around the table. We are in the data collection stage for this and then will present a recipe book of how to manage this area. Stakeholder meetings will take place in December and January. Fisheries Act doesn't need to go through as many years (7-10) of red tape as other areas. This is the tool where we can open and close an area on a dime. We assessed all 900 closure areas to see if any of the areas could count-we found a few in the southern Strait of Georgia (29 km2). More work will be done on this in 2020. The Fisheries closures was put in place to protect these areas until such time as they can gather all the data needed.

2. Western Forest Products Ltd. – Shannon Janzen, Kindry Mercer, Randy Bowes, John Flintoft and Clint Cadwallader.

The delegates gave a presentation on Strategies and Challenges, Englewood Announcement, Road Safety Plan, North Island Log Flow and Community Update. Discussions took place on the amount of job losses and the safety concern of putting these extra trucks on the road. If we can offer the wood to our local sawmills first then look at other areas. We are in partnership with local sawmills already. Safety protocols will be put in place for the safety of the public on the roads. Is there a way of integrating the road safety with others, not just WFP-due to the impact of highway accidents in relation to Woss Volunteer Fire Department being the responding unit involved? Job losses on the North Island and what is going to happen to those people laid off, those who are still working but not knowing if they are going to have a job, people learning of their job loss through social media. WFP tried their best to get this information out to the employee's first but with social media these days we had no chance. Corporate culture of WFP in the amount that they support their communities. Which Mayors thought forest supported their communities was nil from Cumberland to Port Hardy. Public forest sector up here is dominated by one company.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Regional District of Mount Waddington Board Meeting held October 17, 2017.

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the minutes of the Regional District of Mount Waddington Board of Directors Meeting held October 17, 2017 be adopted.

Theresa Flynn arrives to meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE ON THE TABLE

1. District of Port Hardy Regular Meeting Minutes (Sept. 12, October 10, 2017), Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes (Sept. 12, October 10, 2017), Special Committee Meeting Minutes (Sept. 12, 19, October 10, 2017); Town of Port McNeill Regular Meeting Minutes (October 2, 2017); Village of Port Alice Regular Meeting Minutes (August 9, September 13, October 11, 2017), Special Meeting Minutes (August 24, 2017); North Island Regional Emergency Planning Committee Meeting Minutes (September 14, 2017).

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MINUTES
ADOPTED

2. Cheque Register Report (October 17, 2017 – November 20, 2017)

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Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the correspondence on the table be received and filed.

C. STAFF OPERATION REPORTS

1. Administrator (November 15, 2017)

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ESS CEP GRANT

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the application for an Emergency Social Services Community Emergency preparedness grant for \$25,000 be ratified as submitted on November 17, 2017.

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WEST COAST
ELECTRIC PLEDGE

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the West Coast Electric Fleet Pledge be signed at no additional cost to the Regional District of Mount Waddington.

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Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the November 15, 2017 report from the Administrator be received and filed.

2. Travel report (November 21, 2017)

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Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the November 21, 2017 Travel Report be approved.

3. Manager of Economic Development (November 13, 2017)

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ECLIPSE 360 /
NIFSA

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the service contract to develop the Vancouver Island North Forest Sector Attraction Campaign for the period of November 22, 2017 to April 1, 2018, be awarded to Eclipse 360^o for the sum of \$50,000.

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Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the November 13, 2017 report from the Manager of Economic Development be received and filed.

a) Tourism Coordinator (November 14, 2017)

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Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the November 14, 2017 report from the Tourism Coordinator be received and filed.

4. Manager of Operations (November 15, 2017)

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FIRE DEPT
EMERGENCY SRV
AGREEMENT

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the Regional District of Mount Waddington (RDMW) become a signatory of the Mount Waddington Regional Fire Departments' Emergency Services Agreement for a term that concludes December 31st, 2022. This agreement provides direction regarding mutual aid support between the fire departments within the RDMW.

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Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the November 15, 2017 report from the Manager of Operations be received and filed.

Patrick Donaghy leaves the meeting.

5. Manager of Planning and Development Services - *Due to illness a report was not available.*

D. FINANCIAL REPORTS

6. Finance Report (November 14, 2017)

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Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the November 14, 2017 report from the Treasurer be received and filed.

a) Variance Report (November 7, 2017)

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VARIANCE
REPORT

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the November 7, 2017 Variance Report from the Treasurer be received and filed.

7. Single Source (October 31, 2017)

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Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the October 31, 2017 Single Source Awards report be received and filed.

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GRANT-IN AID
POLICY

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS – In camera –Policy Committee (November 8, 2017) Grant in Aid policy be adopted.

F. BYLAWS AND PERMITS - None

G. CORRESPONDENCE - None

H. OTHER BUSINESS / DIRECTOR REPORTS / NEXT MEETING

1. Other Business: None

2. Rural Updates:

Area "A" - Broughton (Malcolm Island):

- *Sewer technician is over the moon with the new water levels technology.*
- *DFO presentation helps a lot with the background information. Not attending the upcoming meetings.*

Area "B" - Quatsino:

- *Issue has just come up regarding the management of the Winter Harbour water and will look into this and have an update in December.*

Area "C" - Rupert:

- *Attended the Climate Action Council which was very encouraging. A lot of successes were highlighted. Positive outcomes were noted.*

Area "D" - Nimpkish:

- *All of Woss's issues were already discussed at the beginning of the meeting. Woss is having cell phone difficulties with draining the batteries. Talks with Telus are happening but the issue is still happening. The tower is not putting something out-the phones are searching for something.*

3. Municipal Updates:

Village of Alert Bay

- Not in attendance – no longer on phone.

Village of Port Alice

- Neucel has recalled 25 employees.
- By-election is coming up.

District of Port Hardy

- *H.B-Had an amazing campaign response for Fire Fighters with 13 new members. Volunteerism is not dead. Impressed with the ability to bring new members in.*
- *P.L-Local media has done a great job of reporting on the great things that have been happening in our area.*
- *Remembrance Day celebration was wonderful.*
- *Attended an aging conference that was well attended. We are doing great in this aspect, just have to work on the homelessness and getting younger volunteers involved.*

Town of Port McNeill

- *Working on our last section of the water pipes. Some issue with a few connections to residents.*
- *Great fireworks display this year-Thank you to the wonderful volunteers that train for this and put it on.*
- *November 11th ceremony this year had the Police services initiating a new protocol with sectioning off the area for traffic to detour anyone driving a car through the celebrations.*
- *Craft Fair is upcoming this weekend.*

4. Public Questions: None

5. Committee Meetings:

6. Next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors: December 19, 2017 at 2:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

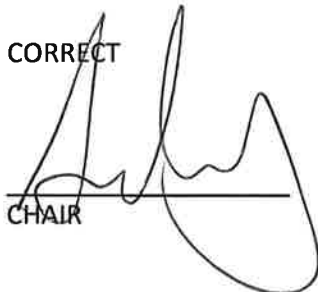
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THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Time: 5:00 p.m.

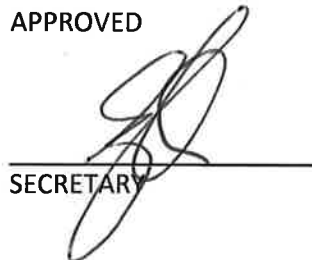
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CHAIR



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Adjournment