



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF MOUNT WADDINGTON

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

October 19, 2021 at 12:00PM

Board Room, RDMW Administrative Office, 2044 McNeill Road, Port McNeill, BC

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89516699557?pwd=VW84K2xVbHc5dGIUREdXSHJyVknZZz09>

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A. CALL TO ORDER

Time:

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B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PRESENTED (or amended)

Motion required

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C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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1. Minutes of the Regional Planning Committee Meeting held September 21, 2021.

Motion required

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D. DELEGATIONS - None

E. REPORTS

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1. Administrator (October 19, 2021)

a) Staff Memo – Regarding Proposed Bylaw No. 996

b) Links to previously circulated packages:

i) [Public Hearing Minutes and Written Submissions – August 30, 2021](#)

ii) [Regional Planning Committee Meeting Agenda – July 20, 2021](#)

iii) [Regional Planning Committee Meeting Agenda – August 17, 2021](#)

F. NEXT MEETING DATE: To be determined.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

1.

Time:



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF MOUNT WADDINGTON
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 21, 2021
Conducted at RDMW Office – 2044 McNeill Road, Port McNeill, BC
with Online Attendees (Zoom)

PRESENT: In person: Rod Sherrell (Chair), Andrew Hory, Sandra Daniels, Janet Dorward, Dennis Dugas, Gaby Wickstrom
Via Zoom: Directors Dennis Buchanan, Kevin Cameron, James Furney
STAFF: Greg Fletcher, Administrator
Nadine Weldon – Recording Secretary

PUBLIC: None

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sherrell called the meeting to order at 12:05pm

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

RPC-2021-13
AGENDA
APPROVAL

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Regional Planning Committee Meeting held August 17, 2021.

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
THAT the Minutes of the Regional Planning Committee Meeting held on August 17, 2021 be adopted.

RPC-2021-14
AUG 17, 2021
RPC MINUTES
ADOPTED

D. DELEGATION AND RECOGNITIONS

Chair Sherrell announced that this meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of the Kwak'waka speaking peoples.

E. REPORTS:

1. Public Hearing re: Proposed Finfish Aquaculture Operation – Tlowitsis Nation – Chatham Channel, Electoral Area “A”

- a) Review of the procedures followed during the Public Hearing, including providing participants with three five-minute time slots to submit comments or provide their verbal submissions.

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
That the Public Hearing minutes of August 30, 2021 be approved as amended to add Sandra Daniels for signature, and to acknowledge that the minutes are as accurate as could be provided.

RPC-2021-15
AUG 30, 2021
RPC PUBLIC
HEARING MINUTES
ADOPTED

The written submissions received for the public hearing are included as an addendum as part of the public hearing record.

Also noted:

Question regarding why the Regional District implemented marine zoning, when marine commercial uses were previously handled exclusively by either the Provincial or Federal Government.

Administrator Fletcher confirmed that the marine zoning was introduced to ensure that the Regional District was made aware of and could provide input into new marine industries that affect marine and land areas within the Regional District of Mount Waddington.

Director Hory advised was brought about by the Province not providing the Regional District with information regarding tenures that were being approved, nor was the Regional District asked for or given the opportunity to provide input on marine tenures being approved by the Province in areas contained within the Regional District boundaries.

The marine rezoning also allows the Regional District to collect a nominal amount of tax for commercial marine industries within the Regional District Electoral Areas.

It was confirmed that the three (3) farms in the same area as the current application as the Tlowitsis First Nation where there before 2017, and therefore were allowed as non-conforming.

Per the zoning bylaw, the Regional District has some regulatory jurisdiction over the potential land use of the marine area, but the Regional District this does not apply to the issuance and approval of land tenures or other permits required by senior levels of government.

It was acknowledged that there are perceived to be overlapping traditional territories in the geographical area covered in the application, however it is outside of the jurisdiction of the Regional District to recognize these potential overlapping territories under the guise of the application.

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**

THAT it be recommended that Bylaw No. 995 be deferred to the Planning Committee meeting to be held October 19, 2021 to allow Directors additional time for further review prior to making a recommendation.

F. NEXT MEETING DATE: As required and to be determined.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Time: 12:57 pm

CORRECT

APPROVED

SECRETARY: GREG FLETCHER

CHAIR: DIRECTOR ROD SHERRELL

RPC-2021-17
Bylaw No. 995
September 21, 2021

RPC-2021-18
September 21, 2021
RPC ADJOURNED



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF MOUNT WADDINGTON

STAFF MEMO

TO: Regional Planning Committee
FROM: Greg Fletcher, CAO
SUBJECT: Bylaw 996 Public Hearing Review
DATE: October 19, 2021

At the last Planning Committee meeting, the Board agreed to defer a decision on Bylaw 996 until October. It was noted that options are to recommend 1) adoption of the bylaw as is; 2) alter the bylaw and if the use and density has not been altered, adopt it; 3) alter the bylaw by decreasing the density with the owner's permission and then adopt it; 4) change use and or density and provide second reading accordingly as well as set a date for a second public hearing; or 5) provide third reading with adoption subject to the bylaw conditions of use (A 28.2) being approved by the referenced regulatory authorities or 6) defeat the bylaw.

The Public hearing record and the previous reports to the planning committee provide a considerable body of information to base a decision on. Several key themes were presented, each with varying degrees of potential impact of the interests of neighbouring property owners:

Theme	Impacts Issues noted	Effect on Properties
First Nation authority/jurisdiction	Regional District Authority? Consultation Process?	Perspective of extent contained within immediate area (territory) or impacting neighbouring territories as well.
Visual And noise	Industrial appearance, sound and smells	Distance, visible or not
Impact on Environment health of surrounding water bodies	Water quality impacts from pesticides Benthic impact BOD & other chemical changes Fish Creeks nearby	Cumulative or dispersed? Cumulative or dispersed? Lasting or dispersed; time factor Lasting or dispersed; time factor Causal impact or other factors?
Impacts on fish & wildlife	Sea Lice Transmission Feed: Excess or passing wild Disease Escapement Marine Mammals Oolichan Fishery Shrimp/Prawn fishery Inconsistent regulatory Monitoring Other factors to consider	Causal impact or other factors? Evidence? Evidence? Evidence? Evidence? Evidence? Evidence?
Jobs & Livelihood	Wild Fishing Employment Direct/Indirect Fish Farm employment Tourism Industry	<i>[In all cases it will be whether potential jobs can provide an opportunity for local employment]</i>

For almost every theme, submissions are from parties either supporting or opposing the application backed by various levels of evidence. Section A 28.2 of the bylaw anticipated this dilemma by ensuring that no approvals would be directly provided until approval by other regulatory bodies with more resources to review and assess the application with respect to their regulatory framework.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Fletcher
 Administrator