

MALCOLM ISLAND ADVISORY COMMISSION (MIAC)

Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2019

Old Medical Building, 270 1st Street, Sointula, BC

PRESENT: Sandra Daniels, RDMW Electoral "A" Director
Carmen Burrows, Chris Chateauvert, Sheila Roote, Joy Davidson, Dennis Swanson, Michelle Pottage, Guy Carlson

STAFF: Patrick Donaghy - Manager of Operations

ABSENT: Jeff Long - Manager of Planning & Development Services

PUBLIC: Hans Madsen

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carmen Burrows called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Agenda for the February 25, 2019 MIAC meeting.

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Motion 1:
Agenda
approved

Motion that the February 25, 2019 MIAC agenda be approved (with the following amendment(s)

- Hans Madsen to report information regarding BC Ferries update

M/Joy Davidson, S/Chris Chateauvert, Carried

ADOPTION OF JANUARY 28, 2019 MINUTES

Due to absences the January 28th agenda was tabled until February 25th, there were no minutes.

PUBLIC:

Hans Madsen attended the ferry meeting on February 22, 2019 and reported the following:

- January 2020 is expected date for new ferry to begin servicing the Sointula, Port McNeill,
- Alert Bay route.
- Bowen Queen will be returning to service the route for the summer, no specific dates supplied or if it will continue to service the route into the fall and winter.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Budgets

- Patrick Donaghy presented budgets and provided updates for:

Lighting:

- 4.5 increase due mainly to anticipated increase in BC Hydro charges
- Provincially funded new LED street lights will be installed province wide over the new 2-3 years, to provide better quality and more efficient street lighting
- Request by Lions Club for new street light to be installed at the entrance of Breakwater Parking Lot to provide better lighting for entering and exiting parking lot in the dark. Lions Club has consulted with neighbours and there is no objections. Patrick will investigate how to proceed to request.

Fire Protection

- 5% increase due to increased training, numbers of volunteer fire fighters and need for new or upgraded equipment and gear

Sewer

- No fee increase
- Upgrades nearing completion and efficiency improving
- Question arose as to potential future requests for extensions of sewer system. RDMW would need to consider level of interest and if a feasibility study would be warranted

Garbage (Solid Waste)

- no fee increases
- reviewed operations and budget, operations continue to improve with more waste being diverted from landfill and recycled or composted.

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Motion 2:
Budgets
accepted

Motion that the budgets be accepted as presented
M/ Dennis S/ Chris, Carried

Shed for Gen Set

- project on hold, awaiting completion of projects

Winterizing and Storage of Green Bikes

- Green bikes are currently stored in a trailer and will be going to Port McNeill to be serviced prior to summer season

Lighting for Transfer Station during power outages

- Not enough details, to be discussed further

NEW BUSINESS:

Housing

- Sandra reported our bylaws should be reviewed and possibly revised to allow increased much needed housing.

Communications Skills Training

- Sheila expressed an interest in accessing communications skills/standards/protocols training for commission members through the RDMW.
- Sandra will bring up at next RDMW meeting

Opting out or Reducing Garbage/Recycling Fees

-is there any options for property owners who have significant reduced the amount of garbage they create to opt out or receive reduced fees?

-No, this is not an option. The fees pay for the overall infrastructure and not just pick service. The infrastructure is steadily increasing the number of items which can be recycled thus allowing the redirection of significant volumes from “garbage” stream i.e. yard waste, electronics, large appliances.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

DIRECTORS REPORT: None

QUESTIONS FROM FLOOR: None

ROUND TABLE COMMENTS: None

NEXT MEETING: Monday March 25, 2019 at 7:15 pm

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Motion 3:
Adjourn
meeting

MOTION to Adjourn meeting at 9:05 PM
M/ Chris, S/ Sheila, Carried