

# Malcolm Island Advisory Commission

## Meeting Minutes

### Zoom Meeting

November 30, 2020

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Carmen Burrows, Joy Davidson,  
Dennis Swanson, Michelle Pottage, Guy Carlson  
Sandra Daniels - RDMW Electoral Area 'A' Director  
Patrick Donaghy – RDMW Manager of Operations  
Jeff Long – RDMW Manager of Planning and Development Services

#### **ABSENT:**

Chris Chateauvert, Roger Lanqvist

**A. Call to Order by The Chair – 7:05 p.m.**

**B. Approval of Agenda as Amended - MSC.**

**C. Adoption of Minutes of the October 26, 2020 meeting - MSC**

#### **D. Business Arising from the Minutes and Unfinished Business**

Patrick Donaghy reported on the (Fire Department) Tax Cap Increase.

1. The RDMW is continuing to reach out for clarity on exact amounts. He is working towards having a zoning by law ready for the next Regional District meeting.
2. **Hydro regarding street lights** – Hydro has just captured the photography for demonstrating and showing the light options available, hopefully made available soon.
3. **Letter to Department of Highways** – Sandra Daniels has received a response to the letter written on behalf of two property owners regarding their subdivision. At this time, there needs to be a written request for an extension on the subdivision as a year has passed. Another PLA (Preliminary Layout Approval) is requested.

#### **Directors Report:**

\*The Director reported that our ESS (Emergency Social Services) committee did a great job in the community during our recent lengthy power outage – from delivering hot soup to distributing candles and water. The community as a whole, rallied to support one another.

\*During the recent high tides and storms, the low lying beach front areas along Kaleva Road and areas of Rough Bay had logs and water over the road. Concerned

community members have asked if barriers or a sea wall could be an option for prevention the future.

Motion to “Support a letter from the RDMW to Main Road Contracting to look into this issue” MSC

\*The Regional Director is still gathering information by way of expressions of interest to be a member of the MIAC (Malcolm Island Advisory Commission) to make recommendations at the December Regional meeting.

\*There has been another complaint to the Director regarding roosters. Planned discussions between the parties, in an effort to resolve the issue. The committee was reminded that R3 zoning does not currently permit roosters, only hens.

**Operations Manager Report:**

A plan for a study on the use of one of the large generators (for lift stations) to be used to heat one of the halls as a comfort station, should the power ever be out for that many days again.

\*Also, an assessment of the needs for alternate power (in the event of another lengthy power outage) for the lift stations in the form of batteries, not direct use of generators.

\*The barrier at the transfer station creating storage for yard waste is moving forward.

**Manager of Planning and Development Services:**

The mandated housing needs report is complete and will be posted on the RDMW website. December 10, 2020, at 10 a.m. and again at 6 p.m. will be a community forum (on line via zoom) reporting on the findings.

**Discussion/Round Table Comments:**

There was a question regarding the zoning of “tiny homes”. The zoning for tiny homes comes under R3, small lot residential. We do not have specific zoning to deal with tiny homes.

**Next Meeting: January 25, 2021**

**Motion to Adjourn – at 8:15 P.M. MSC**