



Electoral Area Directors & Municipal Regional District Tax Committee

MINUTES

October 19, 2021

RDMW Office – 2044 McNeill Road, Port McNeill, BC

CALL TO ORDER: 11:33 am

Attendance:

EA/PA Directors: Chair Andrew Hory, Kevin Cameron (Zoom), Sandra Daniels,
James Furney (Zoom), Rod Sherrell
Other Directors: Dennis Buchanan
Staff: Greg Fletcher, Administrator; Pat English, Manager of Economic
Development, Nicole McDowell, Recording Secretary
Guests: Sean Feagan

1. Agenda

21-40 It was moved and seconded, that the agenda dated October 19, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

2. Minutes

21-41 It was moved and seconded, that the minutes dated September 21, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

3. Reports

- a) Manager of Economic Development
i.) Revised Rural Tourism Action Grant (RTAG) Program

Also noted:

- *The application for the increase of the MRDT from 2% to 3% has been submitted to Destination BC and the associated bylaw, approved by the Inspector of Municipal Affairs, will be coming forward to the Board of Directors for final reading this afternoon.*
- *Given the level of reserves already in the account, and the anticipated revenue as of July 1, 2022, we are requesting a six-month acceleration of the new program guidelines to begin on January 1st instead of July 1st.*
- *Manager of Economic Development feels that Destination BC may come back to the RDMW, if the reserve is not spent, and ask what the intent is as it has been mounting steadily for the last five years ... better to use the reserves for their intended purpose.*

21-42 It was moved and seconded, that the amended Rural Tourism Action Grant (RTAG) Program come into effect as of January 1, 2022.

CARRIED

- ii.) RTAG 2021-01 BCMAS Contemporary Dance

Also noted:

- *Director Daniels of Area A shared that the insurance company just informed her today that events in the Malcolm Island halls, will require additional insurance – Event Insurance.*

- *Manager of Economic Development added that the applicant has submitted a COVID proposal, which he has compared with Covid guidelines, and the event does meet the current requirements.*
- *Director Daniels further explained that this additional insurance is for any new and upcoming events and will be \$25 per event.*

21-43
RTAG 2021-01

It was moved and seconded, that RTAG 2021-01 BCMAS Contemporary Dance Application be approved.

CARRIED

iii.) GT2019-09 FO Hall Conversion - REPEAL

Also noted:

- *The BC Movement Arts Society and the Malcolm Island Arts Society has given notice that they will not be proceeding with the LED light conversion at the FO Hall until an unknown time and have requested that the gas tax project be cancelled.*
- *When they have their budget fully in hand, and when this project is a priority, they will come back to the EA Committee with a full report.*

21-44
REPEAL
GT2019-09


It was moved and seconded, that GT2019-09 FO Hall Conversion be repealed.

CARRIED

Next Meeting – To be announced

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:45 am

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SECRETARY



CHAIR