



TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of a Regular meeting of Council

Tuesday, February 26th, 2019

PRESENT: Mayor Rod Peters
Councillor Carolyne Austin
Councillor Lorna Vomacka
Councillor Kristine Sandhu
Councillor Tim McGonigle

STAFF: Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Jill Walters, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC: 12

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Peters called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. AGENDA

No. R.0011/19

Moved: Councillor Vomacka
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the agenda be approved with the following additions:

STAFF REPORTS:

(iii) CleanBC Fund re: Municipal Building Grant Application; and

NEW BUSINESS:

(b) Appointments to the Agenda Committee.

CARRIED.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

No. R.0012/19

(a) Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the minutes of the Public Hearing held on January 22nd,
2019 be adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.0013/19

Moved: Councillor Sandhu
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on
January 22nd, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

5. DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

No. R.0014/19

Gilbert Beaudry appeared before council to report he had made
the required modifications to the residential units to remove
their use as such and would convert these to commercial use.

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that the matter be referred to the next Finance and
Administration meeting.

CARRIED.

**6. VERBAL COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC ON A
SUBSEQUENT ITEM ON THE AGENDA**

7. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Action Items

None.

(b) Information or Consent Items

(i) The letter from Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, regarding AB Greenwell, was treated as information.

8. REPORTS

(a) Council and other Committee Reports

No. R.0015/19
Finance and
Administration

(i) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting held on February 5th, 2019 be approved with the following:

1—Fire Department’s Incident for December 2018

that the Committee recommend approval of the Lake Cowichan Fire Department’s incident report for December 2018 in the total amount of \$12,735.96.

2—Seniors’ Lease

that Council renew the lease with the Cowichan Lake District Seniors Association from February 1st, 2019 to January 31st, 2024.

3—Upgrades to Municipal Hall

that upgrades to municipal hall be commenced.

CARRIED.

No. R.0016/19

(ii) Moved: Councillor Vomacka
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the minutes of the Public Works and Environmental Services Committee meeting held on February 19th, 2019 be approved as presented:

1—Approved Councillor Absence

that Councillor Austin’s absence from the Public Works and Parks meetings held Tuesday February 19th, 2019 be approved.

CARRIED.

No. R.0017/19

(iii) Moved: Councillor Sandhu
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee held on February 19th, 2019 be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Cowichan Lake
Recreation

(iv) Mayor Peters reported that the 2019 budget has been completed for the Cowichan Lake Sports Arena.

- Vancouver Island Regional Library (v) Councillor Vomacka reported that there was no meeting in February 2019. She presented the following items of note:
- Press release issued by the Library on the new Tinker Tote program that allows library card holders to sign out STEAM learning totes for 3 weeks at a time. There are 5 different kits that are available for sign out; and
 - The Lego program continues on Wednesdays and the Stitching program continues on Thursdays.
- Advisory Planning Commission (vi) Councillor Austin reported that Darlene Ector is the new Chair of the Advisory Planning Commission with Brian Locher as the Vice Chair. Pat Lamont and Janet Kirk were newly welcomed to Commission members. The Commission has reviewed the full updated OCP document. The open house which was held on January 31st, 2019 to review the OCP document, was well attended. The next meeting of the APC is to be held Thursday February 28th, 2019.
- Community Forest Co-op (vii) Councillor McGonigle reported January 19th, 2019 was the annual thank you dinner for the directors of the Community Forest Co-op. The second growth cut at Qaly?it has now now been completed. Logging will begin at Bolduc Mountain when the weather improves. The profits from these operations will be distributed to the Pacheedaht and Lake Cowichan. There will be two uptakes of grants each year in differing amounts. These grants will be available to non-government applicants. It will be posted on the Town website and Facebook page when applications will be accepted.
- Cowichan Valley Regional District Board (b) **Other Reports**
(i) Councillor Sandhu attended the Cowichan Valley Regional District meeting held January 31st, 2019 in Councillor McGonigle's absence. Budget discussions were completed, but not finalized at this meeting. Councillor Sandhu reported that Lake Cowichan will now have one full time employee at the Meades Creek Recycling facility.
- Community Outreach Team (ii) Councillor Austin reported the following highlights from the February, 2019 meeting:
- The housing needs presentation at the Riverside was well attended;
 - Seniors Housing has contacted Vancouver Island University to see if a student would be interested in doing a business plan and conceptual drawing;
 - The Emergency Preparedness Task Force meeting will be held Wednesday February 27th, 2019;
 - A community BBQ to develop community connections is being considered;
 - Lake Cowichan Food Bank is again looking for permanent facilities;
 - The residents/seniors reading program with Palsson students will be held at the Library once a week;
 - Kaatza Health Unit reported there have been no measles outbreaks reported on Vancouver Island;

9. BYLAWS

No. R.0021/19

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1018-2019" be given first and second readings.

CARRIED.

10. NEW BUSINESS

(a) The letter from the Cowichan Valley Regional District regarding Bylaw No. 4202 Drinking Water and Watershed Protection was treated as information.

No. R.0022/19

(b) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that Mayor Peters, Councillor Sandhu and the Chief Administrative Officer, be appointed to the Council Agenda Committee.

CARRIED.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor presented his report for February, 2019 with the following highlights:

- Budget discussions are upcoming; and
- Thanks were expressed to the Chief Administrative Officer, Staff and the Public Works employees for the great job in keeping up with the recent winter weather conditions.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

13. QUESTION PERIOD

14. IN CAMERA

None.

15. ADJOURNMENT

No. R.0023/19

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that we adjourn (6:58 p.m.).

CARRIED.

Certified correct _____.

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2019.

Mayor