

TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of Council held at the Upper Centennial Hall, 309 South Shore Road on Tuesday, November 6th, 2018



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

STAFF: Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Ronnie Gill, Director of Finance
Jill Walters, Recording Secretary

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1. INAUGURATION CEREMONY

Patricia Foster, Master of Ceremonies, asked the public to rise at 6:00 p.m.

The piper, Dr. Peter Leckie followed by Judge MacCarthy, Mayor-elect Rod Peters, Councillors-elect Carolyne Austin, Tim McGonigle, Kristine Sandhu and Lorna Vomacka entered the Multi-Purpose room just after 6 pm.

Mrs. Foster called upon "The 4 Tenors" to sing the national anthem. She next called on Chief Georgina Livingston and Aaron Hamilton of the Lake Cowichan First Nations to welcome and offer their congratulations to the new Mayor and Council. She next called on Pastor Terry Hale to perform the invocation.

2. OATHS OF OFFICE

The Master of Ceremonies introduced His Honor Judge MacCarthy and then called on him to administer the Oaths of Office to the incoming members of council.

Judge MacCarthy first administered the Oath of Office and the Code of Ethics to Mayor-elect Rod Peters. He then administered the Oaths of Office and the Code of Ethics to each of Councillor-elect Carolyne Austin, Councillor-elect Tim McGonigle, Councillor-elect Kristine Sandhu and Councilor-elect Lorna Vomacka.

Judge MacCarthy was given an opportunity to issue charges to the newly elected members of council. His Honor congratulated all of the new members of council and wished them well.

In Mrs. Foster's closing words, she stated that it was a great honor and privilege for the new elected members of Council to serve the residents of Lake Cowichan. She also stated that any criticism of them is not to be taken personally. She stated it was a pleasure and privilege to be part of the proceedings and wished the Council the very best in their term of office.

The Swearing in Ceremony was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

The new council then took a short recess.

3. MAYOR'S ADDRESS

Mayor Peters stated that as he is semi-retired, he is able to commit to the time required of the Mayor's position. He also asked the

public be patient with him as he adapts to his new position. He also stated that he could not have asked for a better Council and he looked forward to working with them.

4. CALL TO ORDER

His Worship Mayor Rod Peters called the first meeting of the new Council to order. He requested the public be seated. The meeting was called to order at 6:43 p.m.

5. APPOINTMENTS

Mayor made the following appointments to Committees:

Finance & Administration Chair	Councillor McGonigle
Finance & Administration Vice-Chair	Councillor Sandhu
Parks, Recreation & Culture Chair	Councillor Austin
Parks, Recreation & Culture Vice-Chair	Councillor Sandhu
Public Works & Environmental Services Chair	Councillor Vomacka
Public Works & Environmental Services Vice-Chair	Councillor Austin

No R.00153/18
Deputy Mayor

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that the following Deputy Mayor appointment be approved:

Deputy Mayor Nov 2018 – Oct 2019 Councillor McGonigle
CARRIED.

6. REQUIRED RESOLUTIONS

No R.00154/18
CVRD Director

Moved: Councillor Sandhu
Seconded: Councillor Austin
that Councillor McGonigle be appointed as the Town’s Director on the Cowichan Valley Regional District Board.

CARRIED.

No R.00155/18
CVRD Alternate Director

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that Councillor Sandhu be appointed as the Town’s alternate Director on the Cowichan Valley Regional District Board.

CARRIED.

No R.00156/18
VIRL Board Appointment

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that Councillor Vomacka be appointed as the Town’s representative on the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board.

CARRIED.

No R.00157/18
VIRL Alternate Board Appointment

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that Councillor Austin be appointed as the Town’s alternate representative on the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board.

CARRIED.

No R.00158/18
Board of Variance

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that Council confirm the appointment of Rolli Gunderson, Barbara Olson and Deena McPhee as members of the Board of Variance.
CARRIED.

No R.00159/18
Spending Authority

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that until the adoption of the 2019 budget, expenditures for 2019 will be as per the 5-Year Financial Plan adopted in 2018;
and that capital expenditures for 2019 prior to the adoption of the budget for the year shall only be incurred by prior Council approval.
CARRIED.

No R.00160/18
Signing Authority for Town

Moved: Councillor Austin
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that subject to compliance with applicable requirements of the Community Charter, the Local Government Act or any other enactment, all agreements or other documents which the Town has the authority to make or enter into shall be deemed to be properly executed if they are signed by the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer.
CARRIED.

No R.00161/18
Banking and Cheque Signing Authority for Town

Moved: Councillor Vomacka
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that any two of the following: one of the Mayor or Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee AND one of the Chief Administrative Officer or the Director of Finance be authorized to be the bank signatories for the Town.
CARRIED.

No R.00162/18
MFA Signing Authority

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that any two of the Mayor, the Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign documents relating to Municipal Finance Authority.
CARRIED.

7. ADJOURNMENT

No R.00163/18
Adjournment

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Vomacka
that this meeting be adjourned (6:50 p.m.).
CARRIED.

Certified correct _____

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2018.

Mayor