REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

Tuesday, June 11, 2019
3:00 P.M.
Board Chambers

In Attendance:	Director I. Thorpe	Chair
	Director B. Rogers	Vice Chair
	Director K. Wilson	Electoral Area A
	Director V. Craig	Electoral Area B
	Director M. Young	Electoral Area C
	Director L. Salter	Electoral Area F
	Director C. Gourlay	Electoral Area G
	Director S. McLean	Electoral Area H
	Director L. Krog	City of Nanaimo
	Director S. Armstrong	City of Nanaimo
	Director D. Bonner	City of Nanaimo
	Director T. Brown	City of Nanaimo
	Director B. Geselbracht	City of Nanaimo
	Director E. Hemmens	City of Nanaimo
	Director J. Turley	City of Nanaimo
	Director E. Mayne	City of Parksville
	Director A. Fras	City of Parksville
	Director M. Swain	District of Lantzville
	Director B. Wiese	Town of Qualicum Beach
Also in Attendance:	P. Carlyle	Chief Administrative Officer
	R. Alexander	Gen. Mgr. Regional & Community Utilities
	G. Garbutt	Gen. Mgr. Strategic & Community Development
	T. Osborne	Gen. Mgr. Recreation & Parks
	D. Wells	Gen. Mgr. Corporate Services
	D. Pearce	Director of Transportation & Emergency Services
	T. Mayea	Legislative Coordinator
	C. Golding	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order and respectfully acknowledged the Coast Salish Nations on whose traditional territory the meeting took place.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved, as amended, to include the following items under Delegations:

Marlee Brown, re Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store Licence Application No. PL2019-043 – 3125 Van Horne Road, Electoral Area F

Brian Millward, re Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store Licence Application No. PL2019-043 – 3125 Van Horne Road, Electoral Area F

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting - May 14, 2019

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting held May 14, 2019, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

Marlee Brown, re Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store Licence Application No. PL2019-043 – 3125 Van Horne Road, Electoral Area F

Marlee Brown asked the Board to support her application for a retail store which would provide legal, safe, government-regulated access to non-medical cannabis to the community.

Brian Millward, re Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store Licence Application No. PL2019-043 – 3125 Van Horne Road, Electoral Area F

Delegate did not attend

COMMITTEE MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the following minutes be received for information:

Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Committee - May 15, 2019

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORPORATE SERVICES

Quarterly Financial Report – First Quarter – 2019

It was moved and seconded that the Financial Report for the period January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019 be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018 Annual Financial Report and Statement of Financial Information

It was moved and seconded that the 2018 Annual Financial Report and the Statement of Financial Information be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Microsoft Enterprise Licence Agreement 2019 - 2022

It was moved and seconded that the Board approve a three-year Enterprise Licence Agreement with Microsoft for 2019 to 2022 for the use of Microsoft software products by the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) for $146,375 per year at total cost of $439,125.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STRATEGIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store Licence Application No. PL2019-043 – 3125 Van Horne Road, Electoral Area F

It was moved and seconded that the Board receive the Summary of the Public Meeting held on April 16, 2019, Public Submissions and Comments and Petition of Support regarding Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store Licence Application No. PL2019-043.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that the Board adopt the resolution supporting Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store Licence Application No. PL2019-043 attached to this report as Attachment 2.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Parcel Tax for Regional Parks and Trails Capital Funds

It was moved and seconded that the Board review the amount of parcel tax for Regional Parks and Trails capital funds effective for the 2020 budget.

> It was moved and seconded that the main motion be amended as follows:
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> That the Board agree to a $20.00 parcel tax for Regional Parks and Trails capital funds effective for the 2020 budget.

The amendment was withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the seconder.

The vote was taken on the main motion:

That the Board review the amount of parcel tax for Regional Parks and Trails capital funds effective for the 2020 budget.

Opposed (3): Director Turley, Director Mayne, and Director Wiese

CARRIED

Regulation of Cannabis Production

It was moved and seconded that the Board refer the issue of regulation of cannabis production in the Regional District of Nanaimo to the Agricultural Advisory Committee for its deliberation, comment and recommendations on regulating cannabis in the Regional District of Nanaimo; and that staff provide a background report to the Agricultural Advisory Committee outlining the options and implications for the regulation of cannabis in the Agricultural Land Reserve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that the Chair on behalf of the Board write a letter to Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations & Rural Development, echoing the words of Union of BC Municipalities President, Arjun Singh, in his letter of May 22, 2019, and asking that the Minister consider a moratorium on all non-soil bound cannabis production until such time as local governments can create or amend local bylaws and regulations to deal with this issue.

Opposed (2): Director Bonner, and Director Mayne

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Notice of Motion - Letter of Support to Vancouver Island University Deep Bay Marine Field Station

Director McLean provided notice of the following motion:

That the Regional District of Nanaimo Board of Directors write a letter to the Vancouver Island University's Deep Bay Marine Field Station indicating support for the development of a provincially funded business plan for the creation of a seafood innovation centre at the field station.

Notice of Motion - Upgrades to Lighthouse Community Hall

Director McLean provided notice of the following motion:

That pending project approval by the Union of BC Municipalities, up to $40,000 of unallocated 2019 Electoral Area H Community Works Funds be allocated to the Lighthouse Community Centre Society to upgrade the recreational and cultural infrastructure of the Lighthouse Community Hall.

IN CAMERA

It was moved and seconded that the Committee proceed to an In Camera meeting pursuant to the following sections of the *Community Charter:*

Section 90(2)

(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party;

(d) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public must be excluded from the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 3:52 PM

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 3:54 PM

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CHAIR