

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Sewage Commission held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 in the boardroom of the Comox Valley Regional District offices located at 550B Comox Road, Courtenay, BC commencing at 1:00 pm.

MINUTES

Present:

Chair:	B. Price	Town of Comox
Vice-Chair:	E. Eriksson	City of Courtenay
Members:	J. Fugulin	CFB Comox
	K. Grant	Town of Comox
	M. Swift	Town of Comox
	B. Wells	City of Courtenay
	M. Theos	City of Courtenay
Staff:	R. Dyson	Chief Administrative Officer
	M. Rutten	General Manager of Engineering Services
	J. Warren	General Manager of Corporate Services
	J. Martens	Manager of Legislative Services
	A. Baldwin	Legislative Services Assistant

RECOGNITION OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the unceded traditional territory of the K'ómoks First Nation.

MANAGEMENT REPORT:

K. Grant/B. Wells: THAT the Comox Valley Sewage Commission management report dated May 2018 be received.

Carried

REPORTS:

COMOX VALLEY SEWAGE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

K. Grant/M. Theos: THAT the minutes of the Comox Valley Sewage Management Advisory Committee meeting held May 3, 2018 be received.

Carried

REVIEW OF POTENTIAL SYNERGIES BETWEEN BIOSOLIDS AND ORGANICS COMPOSTING

K. Grant/B. Wells: THAT the report dated May 9, 2018 regarding a summary of the evaluation of potential synergies between the Comox Valley Sewer Service biosolids composting facility expansion and the regional composting facility be received.

Carried

Kris La Rose, Senior Manager of Water/Wastewater Services, provided an overview of the report regarding a summary of the evaluation of potential synergies between the Comox Valley Sewer Service biosolids composting facility expansion and the regional composting facility.

B. Wells/M. Theos: THAT the report dated May 9, 2018 considered by the Sewage Commission regarding a summary of the evaluation of potential synergies between the Comox Valley Sewer Service biosolids composting facility expansion and the regional composting facility be referred to the Comox Strathcona Waste Management Board for information.

Carried

IN-CAMERA:

B. Wells/M. Theos: THAT the commission adjourn to an in-camera session pursuant to the following sub-section of section 90 of the Community Charter:

90(1)(k) Negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a regional district service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the committee/board, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district if they were held in public.

Carried

Time: 1:10 pm.

RISE AND REPORT:

The commission rose from its in-camera session at 2:01 pm and reported the following:

THAT the Comox Valley Sewage Commission support in principle receipt of wastewater from those defined areas within Baynes Sound-Denman/Hornby Islands (Electoral Area A) identified in the staff report dated May 11, 2018, subject to the satisfactory resolution of further service negotiations on matters related to governance, terms of service, financial impact and regulatory considerations;

AND FURTHER THAT the impact of accepting wastewater from Electoral Area A be evaluated through Stage One of the Comox Valley Sewage Service Liquid Waste Management Plan (LWMP);

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to report back to the Comox Valley Sewage Commission with detailed analysis on governance, terms of service, financial impact and regulatory considerations to support a final decision on provision of service to Electoral Area A and incorporation of Electoral Area A flows into Stage Two and Three of the LWMP;

AND FINALLY THAT all costs associated with the related analysis and planning be borne by Electoral Area A.

NEW BUSINESS:

SOUTH SEWER SELECT COMMITTEE - AREA A WASTEWATER SERVICING PROPOSAL

B. Wells/M. Theos: THAT the South Sewer Select Committee be invited to a Sewage Commission meeting to discuss the analysis and planning work to be undertaken by staff relating to the concept of the Comox Valley Sewage system receiving wastewater from defined areas within Baynes Sound-Denman/Hornby Islands (Electoral Area A).

Carried

E. Eriksson/M. Theos: THAT staff coordinate the activities of the Comox Valley Sewage Service Liquid Waste Management Planning process with the South Region Liquid Waste Management Planning process with regard to the concept for the Comox Valley sewage system to receive wastewater from defined areas within Baynes Sound-Denman/Hornby Islands (Electoral Area A).

Carried

TERMINATION:

B. Wells/K. Grant: THAT the meeting terminate.

Carried

Time: 2:13 pm

Confirmed by:

Barbara Price
Chair

Certified Correct:

Jake Martens
Manager of Legislative Services

Recorded By:

Antoinette Balswin

Recording Secretary

These minutes were received by the Comox Valley Regional District board on the ____ day of _____, 2018.