

**Tuesday, June 16, 2020**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Comox Valley Regional District Board of Directors held on June 16, 2020 in the Civic Room of the Comox Valley Regional District offices located at 770 Harmston Avenue, Courtenay, BC commencing at 4:06 pm.**

## **MINUTES**

### **Present:**

<b>Chair:</b>	J. Ketler	Village of Cumberland
<b>Vice-Chair:</b>	A. Hamir	Lazo North (Area B)
<b>Directors:</b>	D. Arbour	Baynes Sound-Denman/Hornby Islands (Area A)
	W. Cole-Hamilton	City of Courtenay
	D. Frisch	City of Courtenay
	K. Grant	Town of Comox
	E. Grieve	Puntledge/Black Creek (Area C)
	D. Hillian	City of Courtenay
	W. Morin	City of Courtenay
	M. Swift	Town of Comox
<b>Staff:</b>	R. Dyson	Chief Administrative Officer
	J. Warren	Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
	B. Dunlop	Corporate Financial Officer
	D. DeMarzo	General Manager of Community Services
	J. Martens	General Manager of Corporate Services
	M. Rutten	General Manager of Engineering Services
	S. Smith	General Manager of Planning and Development Services
	L. Dennis	Manager of Legislative Services

### **ATTENDANCE:**

With the exception of Chair Ketler, all board members participated in the meeting by electronic means.

### **RECOGNITION OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES:**

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the unceded traditional territory of the K'ómoks First Nation and read the following article from the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) available online at: [www.un.org/](http://www.un.org/)

Article 11: Indigenous peoples have the right to practise and revitalize their cultural traditions and customs. This includes the right to maintain, protect and develop the past, present and future manifestations of their

cultures, such as archaeological and historical sites, artefacts, designs, ceremonies, technologies and visual and performing arts and literature; and

States shall provide redress through effective mechanisms, which may include restitution, developed in conjunction with indigenous peoples, with respect to their cultural, intellectual, religious and spiritual property taken without their free, prior and informed consent or in violation of their laws, traditions and customs.

**IN-CAMERA MEETING:**

A. Hamir/W. Cole-Hamilton: THAT the committee adjourn to an in-camera session pursuant to the following sub-sections 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;

90(2)(b) The consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the regional district and the provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party; and

AND FINALLY THAT the in-camera portion convene immediately following the open portion of the meeting.

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Carried

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

W. Morin/W. Cole-Hamilton: THAT the Comox Valley Regional District Board minutes dated May 26, 2020 be adopted.

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Carried

**REPORTS:**

**COVID-19 ACTION TEAM UPDATE**

D. Frisch/K. Grant: THAT the report dated June 12, 2020 regarding a summary of actions taken and outcomes by the COVID Action Team (CAT) be received.

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Carried

**COVID-19 RESPONSE AND RENEWAL – FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

D. Hillian/D. Frisch: THAT the report dated June 12, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 Response and Renewal report for Finance and Administration core service be received.

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R. Dyson, CAO, and J. Warren, Deputy CAO, presented an overview of the staff report regarding the COVID-19 Response and Renewal report for the Finance and Administration core service.

D. Frisch/D. Arbour: THAT the COVID-19 Response and Renewal plan for the Finance and Administration core service, as included with the staff report dated June 12, 2020, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT the plan be included in the September 2020 strategic planning session.

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Carried

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**AVICC - SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BC FERRIES**

D. Hillian/W. Morin: THAT the correspondence dated June 11, 2020 from Director Arbour seeking board support in advocating to the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) to re-establish a special committee on BC Ferries be received.

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D. Hillian/E. Grieve: THAT the board write to Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities to request the re-establishment of the Special Committee on BC Ferries to undertake further work on the socioeconomic impacts of BC Ferries and in consideration the planned service reductions to support the development of a sustainable coastal ferry system.

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Carried

**ADJOURN TO IN-CAMERA:**

The board adjourned to its in-camera session at 4:35 pm.

**RISE AND REPORT:**

The board rose from its in-camera session at 5:21 pm.

**TERMINATION:**

D. Frisch/D. Arbour: THAT the meeting terminate.

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Time: 5:21 pm.

Confirmed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_:

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Jesse Ketler  
Chair

Certified Correct and Recorded By:

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Lisa Dennis  
Manager of Legislative Services