

**Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Comox Valley Regional District Board of Directors held on September 15, 2020 in the Civic Room of the Comox Valley Regional District offices located at 770 Harmston Avenue, Courtenay, BC commencing at 4:00 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
	M. Foort	Chief 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

### **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 17: Indigenous individuals and peoples have the right to enjoy fully all rights established under applicable international and domestic labour law;

States shall in consultation and cooperation with indigenous peoples take specific measures to protect indigenous children from economic exploitation and from performing any work that is likely to be hazardous or to interfere with the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health or physical, mental, spiritual, moral or social development, taking into account their special vulnerability and the importance of education for their empowerment; and,

Indigenous individuals have the right not to be subjected to any discriminatory conditions of labour and, inter alia, employment or salary.

### **IN-CAMERA MEETING:**

D. Hillian/W. Cole-Hamilton: THAT the board adjourn to an in-camera session pursuant to the following sub-sections of section 90 of the Community Charter:

90(1)(c) labour relations or other employee relations;

90(1)(e) The acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the committee/board considers that disclosure might reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district.

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

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

D. Frisch/W. Cole-Hamilton: THAT the Comox Valley Regional District Board minutes dated August 25, 2020 be adopted.  
208 Carried

**REPORTS:**

**CLIMATE ACTION COMMUNITY GRANTING PROGRAM**

K. Grant/A. Hamir: THAT the report dated September 3, 2020 regarding a recommendation to establish a Climate Action Community Granting Program to support the CVRD Board's strategic priority to reduce our impact on the environment and accelerate our actions to adapt and respond to climate change impacts be received.  
208 and 212 Carried

B. Labute, Planning and Policy Analyst, and Svend Andersen, GHG Accounting, provided information via electronic means regarding a recommendation to establish a Climate Action Community Granting Program.

D. Hillian/W. Morin: THAT staff be authorized to negotiate and finalize a one-year agreement with GHG Accounting/ Local Carbon Fund to establish a Climate Action Community Granting Program at a cost of up to \$4,000 drawn from the \$31,170 granting program budget.  
208 and 212 Carried

**BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

K. Grant/D. Frisch: THAT Bylaw No. 622 being "Comox Valley Water Conservation Bylaw 2010, Amendment No. 7" be given first and second readings concurrently.  
Bylaw 1783 Carried

E. Grieve/K. Grant: THAT Bylaw No. 622 being "Comox Valley Water Conservation Bylaw 2010, Amendment No. 7" be read a third time.  
Bylaw 1783 Carried

K. Grant/W. Cole-Hamilton: THAT Bylaw No. 623 being "Comox Valley Regional District Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw No. 104, 2010" be given first and second readings concurrently.  
208 Carried

K. Grant/W. Cole-Hamilton: THAT Bylaw No. 623 being "Comox Valley Regional District Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw No. 104, 2010" be read a third time.  
208 Carried

E. Grieve/A. Hamir: THAT Bylaw No. 619 being "Rural Comox Valley Zoning Bylaw No. 520, 2019,

Amendment No. 5" be adopted.

208 and 213

Carried

**ADDENDUM - UPON APPROVAL OF THE BOARD:**

D. Hillian/D. Frisch: THAT the addendum be considered.

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Carried

**TELUS - PRIORITIZATION OF RURAL CONNECTIVITY**

K. Grant/D. Frisch: THAT the correspondence dated September 9, 2020 from Shaye Draper, General Manager - Telus, requesting the Board's consideration of advocating to the Government of Canada to prioritize policies that encourage private sector investment in connectivity for rural and remote communities, be received.

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Carried

E. Grieve/D. Frisch: THAT staff prepare a letter to the Government of Canada for review at the October 6, 2020 board meeting respecting enhanced connectivity for rural and remote communities.

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K. Grant/D. Arbour: THAT the matter regarding advocating to the Government of Canada to prioritize policies that encourage private sector investment in connectivity for rural and remote communities, be referred to the October 5, 2020 Electoral Areas Services Committee.

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Carried

*NAY: D. Hillian*

**ADJOURN TO IN-CAMERA:**

The Board recessed to its in-camera session at 4:43 pm

**RISE AND REPORT**

The Board rose from its restricted in-camera session at 6:21 pm.

**TERMINATION:**

K. Grant/E. Grieve: THAT the meeting terminate.

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Carried

Time: 6:22 pm.

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

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Jesse Ketler  
Chair

Certified Correct and Recorded By:

