



THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY
HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014 at 7:00 PM
LIONS BAY SCHOOL, 250 BAYVIEW ROAD, LIONS BAY**

MINUTES

In Attendance: Mayor Brenda Broughton
Councillor Scott Ando
Councillor Ron McLaughlin
Councillor Joanne Ronsley
Grant McRadu, Interim CAO
Linda Tylla, Raincoast Ventures Ltd. (Recorder)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Broughton called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Mayor Broughton thanked the West Vancouver School District for hosting the Council meeting while the Village Office is being moved.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved: Councillor Ronsley
Seconded: Councillor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Lions Bay Council approves the Agenda of the May 20, 2014 Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

3. Public Participation

4. Delegations

A. Mr. Eion Finn

Mr. Finn appeared before Council to request a letter of support in opposition to the proposed Woodfibre Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Facility. Mr. Finn advised that he is a retired partner at KPMG and holds several degrees in scientific field. Referencing an on-screen presentation, Mr. Finn provided information on the history of the 2008 UBCM Resolution urging the federal government to ban the passage of LNG tankers in the waters of the Malaspina, Georgia, Juan de Fuca and Haro Straits, as well as Boundary Pass, which was endorsed by the Village of Lions Bay. He further advised that a new proposal has been put forward to establish a floating LNG plant at the Woodfibre site in Howe Sound, which would see an estimated 40 LNG tankers in the

Sound annually, which combined with proposed increases in other tanker traffic, would result in a 312% increase in one-way trips in the local waters.

Mr. Finn advised of the significant risks associated with increased tanker traffic and LNG tanker traffic in the area. He further elaborated on possible negative impacts to the environment and local human, animal and marine populations as a result of catastrophic explosions, oil spills, noise pollution, exclusion zones for boaters, as well as the possible negative financial implications of the LNG plant and traffic in Howe Sound.

Mr. Finn requested that Council pass a resolution similar to the 2008 UBCM resolution specifically addressing LNG tanker traffic.

Mayor Broughton thanked Mr. Finn and advised that the Village of Lions Bay had also passed a similar resolution in concert with the 2008 UBCM resolution, which was sent to the federal government.

Moved: Councillor Ronsley
Seconded: Councillor McLaughlin

WHEREAS the waters of Howe Sound, Georgia, Haro, Malaspina and Juan de Fuca Straits provide a vital habitat for diverse bird and fish species, a corridor for recreational and marine traffic and an attraction for upland settlement; and

WHEREAS Woodfibre LNG is soliciting interest to build an LNG export plant in Howe Sound, which will involve the passage of up to 40 LNG tankers annually in the Georgia Strait, which will interfere with existing marine traffic, put at risk these ecologically important and sensitive inland waters, and negatively impact upland development along this route;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Lions Bay urges the federal government to ban the passage of LNG tankers in the waters of the Malaspina, Georgia, Juan de Fuca and Haro Straits, and Boundary Pass.

CARRIED

B. Mr. Glen Dennison

Mr. Dennison provided information related to the recent discovery of a glass sponge bioherm off the eastern side of Halkett Point in the undesignated foreshore adjacent to Halkett Bay Provincial Park. Mr. Dennison advised of the significance of the reef in its function within the marine environment, its environmental importance, its rarity in the world, and its accessibility, which provides opportunity for scientific study. He also noted that there is a glass sponge garden adjacent to the reef, which is equally rare.

Mr. Dennison requested that Lions Bay Council provide a letter of support to BC Parks requesting that the boundaries of Halkett Marine Provincial Park foreshore be extended to include sponge reef and gardens. Mr. Dennison advised that BC Parks had recommended he obtain a letter of support from the Village of Lions Bay and further advised that the changes to the Provincial Park boundaries are supported by the Vancouver Aquarium, the Marine Life Sanctuaries Society of BC, the Underwater Council of BC and the Canadian Marine Environmental Protection Society.

Mr. Dennison responded to a number of questions from the residents in attendance.

Moved: Councillor Ronsley
Seconded: Councillor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Lions Bay Council supports the proposed extension of the boundaries of Halkett Bay Provincial Park on Gambier Island, with the park having been established in 1988 and including some 290 hectares of upland and 19 hectares of foreshore on the western portion of Halkett Bay in Howe Sound; and that the Village of Lions Bay Council submits a requests to BC Parks that Halkett Bay Provincial Park be expanded at Halkett Bay to include the surrounding soft and hard-bottomed benthic regions in combination with the sponge gardens and the glass sponge bioherms, as denoted in the presentation from Mr. Glen Dennison at the May 21, 2014 Council Meeting.

CARRIED

5. Adoption of Minutes

Council recommended the following revisions to the minutes:

- The correction to the spelling of Lions Bay in Item 2 and 11
- In the last sentence of page 13, delete the word “are”
- In the third paragraph of item 8.A, replace the word “as” with “was”
- In the first paragraph of item 8.B, the second sentence be changed to read, “Mayor Broughton advised that the BC Mayor’s Caucus had confirmed the importance of sustainable funding and identified it as a priority.”
- In the second sentence of the second paragraph of page 16, omit the word “to”
- In item 11.1, “Revised Principles for Cooperation”
- In item 11.6, add “by Metro Vancouver” to the end of the sentence.

Councillor Ando raised a question on a portion of the second paragraph of Dr. Michael Broughton’s Public Comments. Interim CAO McRadu was requested to provide clarification.

Moved: Councillor Ando
Seconded: Councillor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Lions Bay Council tables the Minutes of the May 6, 2014 Regular Council meeting, as amended, until further clarification can be provided by staff.

CARRIED

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

7. Unfinished Business

Interim CAO McRadu requested that, based on recent staff correspondence with Ms. Publicover, the Minutes of the April 15, 2014 Council Meeting be amended as noted on the report circulated on-table.

Moved: Councillor Ronsley
Seconded: Councillor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the April 15, 2014 Council Meeting be amended by deleting the comments by Ms. and Mr. Publicover and replacing them with, “Ms. Publicover expressed her deep concern over recent tree cutting and the stability of the slope adjacent to her property.”; and “Mr. Publicover explained the extent of the tree cutting and expressed his concern over the potential for induced bank erosion.”

CARRIED

Interim CAO McRadu advised that he was not able provide a response to Councillor Ando’s question regarding the procedure by which a copy of Ms. Publicover’s comments would be retained with the agenda package, and that perhaps this practice could be addressed by way of the Council Procedure Bylaw as it is increasingly difficult to capture the essence of what is said by the public.

8. Reports

Moved: Councillor McLaughlin
Seconded: Councillor Ronsley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Lions Bay Council receives the reports of May 20, 2014, as submitted.

CARRIED

A. Interim CAO

Interim CAO McRadu advised that boxes are being moved from the Village Office to various locations in the next several days, and anticipates reopening the office on Monday. He further advised that the move was going well and a temporary sign with

office hours will be erected to guide the public, and asked for the public's patience during the move. He further advised that it is staff's intention to have every box properly labeled over the next few months.

Interim CAO McRadu advised that the June 3, 2014 Council meeting has been cancelled, however there may be a requirement to hold an additional meeting in the summer, and that the school will be available if necessary.

Interim CAO McRadu noted that Marjorie's Meadows has been closed due to renovations, the Bylaw officer has now started, and that the Communications Survey has gone live as of today. He further noted that six "No Parking" signs have been erected but covered until a later date and after a review has taken place at an upcoming Council of the Whole meeting. He also advised that Councillor McLaughlin had recently received Bear Smart training.

Interim CAO McRadu further reported that the 2013 Audited Financial Statements and Tax Rates Bylaw had been forwarded to the Ministry, and work has begun on the 2014 tax notices.

In response to a question from Council, Interim CAO McRadu advised that staff have taken on a significant amount of work to meet moving budget targets and that they are sensitive to the urgency around business resumption.

On behalf of Council, the Mayor thanked staff for their efforts.

B. Mayor and Council

Mayor Broughton advised that Council met on Land Use Master Planning and commented on her recent experience Girl Guide and Brownie activities in the community. She also noted the upcoming Village-wide garage sale on June 1, 2014.

Councillor Ronsley advised that her report on the LMLGA Conference should note "30 Resolutions" and not 70. She highlighted various discussions relevant to the community. She further advised that she attended the North Shore Congress on May 14, 2014, noting the importance of educating seniors in the community to encourage more walking and less driving. She also reported that UBC students are available to research accessibility needs in the community and suggested contacting John Dudley in this regard. She also commented on recent wildlife activity and the upcoming Bear Smart meeting.

Councillor McLaughlin advised of Art and Garden Day in Lions Bay on June 1, 2014.

Councillor Ando advised that in regard to the childcare situation, there are enough registrations to have a before and after school care program, and that the North Shore Neighbourhood House has been approached for their assistance due to the lack of grant or gaming funding beyond June 2014.

C. Committees:

i. Infrastructure Committee

Councillor Ando advised that the Infrastructure Committee had met on May 13, 2014. He has reviewed the email from Councillor McLaughlin and is willing to go through the Excel spreadsheet, and would like the Mayor and staff to review and add comments. He suggested adding columns to the spreadsheet for “Documentation” and “Level of Certainty”. He further advised that after the review is complete, the Committee would hold a working session to review the completed list.

9. Resolutions

A. Resolution to Appoint Bylaw Enforcement Officers

Interim CAO McRadu provided background on the request, noting that appointment of the additional staff was desired in order to have adequate coverage throughout the week.

Interim CAO McRadu was directed to educate the bylaw officers regarding best practices for closing the park during graduation season.

Moved: Councillor McLaughlin
Seconded: Councillor Ando

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Lions Bay Council appoints the positions of Public Works Manager and Building Inspector as Bylaw Enforcement Officers of the Village.

CARRIED

10. Bylaws

11. Correspondence

Moved: Councillor Ronsley
Seconded: Councillor Ando

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Lions Bay Council receives the List of Correspondence to Friday, May 16, 2014.

CARRIED

Item 1: E-Comm 911 Board of Directors Designate – 2014-15 Term

Moved: Councillor Ronsley
Seconded: Councillor Ando

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Lions Bay Council supports the nomination of Mayor Darrell Mussatto as the E-Comm 911 Board of Directors representative for the North Shore communities.

CARRIED

Item 11: John Weston MP re National Lifejacket and Swim Day on the Hill

Mayor Broughton highlighted the noted benefits of personal flotation devices (PFDs) and suggested the public be sensitive in their enjoyment of the water for their safety.

Interim CAO McRadu also noted ticks as a summertime concern and advised that staff will send an ePost with information regarding preparing for summer.

Item 1 From Residents: Comments from Resident re Coyote Sightings

Mayor Broughton advised that staff are aware of the issue and thanked Councillor McLaughlin for his time in receiving the Bear Smart Safety Training.

Item 2 From Residents: Email re Disappointment with Dog on Leash Signs

It was reported that Councillor McLaughlin has sent a letter directly to the resident in response.

Item 4 From Residents: Report on Dog Bite Incident

It was reported that Interim CAO McRadu has responded and that the resident has been well communicated with.

12. New Business

A. Audited Financial Statements – Year Ending December 31, 2013

B. Infrastructure Committee Recommendations – Preliminary

The Infrastructure Committee met May 13, 2014 due to the holiday Monday and recommendations will be forwarded to Mr. McRadu.

13. Public Questions & Comments

Ms. Carole Conlin

Ms. Conlin advised that she had sought further clarification with Ms. Koonts regarding the May 6, 2014 Council Minutes and suggested that an error had been made in the minutes. Ms. Conlin offered a transcript of the meeting, which had been taken from the meeting recording and suggested that Mr. Broughton had spoken about green waste at the meeting but had not said that condominium household residents pay the same rates as other residents.

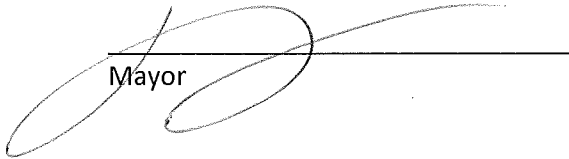
Ms. Conlin discussed recent research she had performed with respect of snowplowing on strata property. Ms. Conlin advised she was able to find some correspondence, authored by the previous Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Mandryk, relating to snowplowing of the strata property but will be requesting access to additional Council correspondence documents once the office move is completed.

13. Adjournment

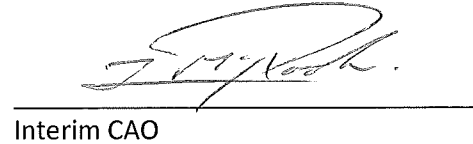
Moved: Councillor Ronsley
Seconded: Councillor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Lions Bay Council adjourns the May 20, 2014 Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED



Mayor



Interim CAO