

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, February 22, 2022
1:00 P.M.**

Board Chambers (Webstreamed)

In Attendance:	Director T. Brown	Chair
	Director V. Craig	Vice Chair (joined electronically)
	Director K. Wilson	Electoral Area A (joined electronically)
	Alternate	
	Director C. Pinker	Electoral Area C (joined electronically)
	Director B. Rogers	Electoral Area E (joined electronically)
	Director L. Salter	Electoral Area F (joined electronically)
	Director L. Wallace	Electoral Area G (joined electronically)
	Director S. McLean	Electoral Area H (joined electronically)
	Director L. Krog	City of Nanaimo (joined electronically)
	Director S. Armstrong	City of Nanaimo (joined electronically)
	Director D. Bonner	City of Nanaimo (joined electronically)
	Director B. Geselbracht	City of Nanaimo (joined electronically)
	Director E. Hemmens	City of Nanaimo (joined electronically)
	Director Z. Maartman	City of Nanaimo (joined electronically)
	Director I. W. Thorpe	City of Nanaimo (joined electronically)
	Director E. Mayne	City of Parksville (joined electronically)
	Director W. Geselbracht	District of Lantzville (joined electronically)
Regrets:	Director A. Fras	City of Parksville
	Director B. Wiese	Town of Qualicum Beach
Also in Attendance:	S. Cruikshank	Alternate Director, Electoral Area E (joined electronically)
	D. Holmes	Chief Administrative Officer
	L. Grant	Gen. Mgr. Planning & Development
	T. Osborne	Gen. Mgr. Recreation & Parks (joined electronically)
	E. Tian	Gen. Mgr. Engineering & Utilities (joined electronically)
	D. Wells	Gen. Mgr. Corporate Services
	S. De Pol	Director, Water and Wastewater Services (joined electronically)
	K. Fowler	Mgr. Long Range Planning & Energy Sustainability (joined electronically)
	C. Morrison	Mgr. Emergency Services (joined electronically)
	P. Thompson	Mgr. Current Planning (joined electronically)
	J. Bagnall	Deputy Corporate Officer
	C. Golding	Zoom Moderator
	C. Holt	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.

D. Holmes, Chief Administrative Officer, introduced Lisa Grant to the Regional District of Nanaimo as the new General Manager of Planning and Development.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

22-108

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting - February 8, 2022

22-109

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held February 8, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

22-110

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

B. Rogers, Area E Director, re D69 Swimming Pool Service Amendment Bylaw No. 899.02, 2022

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Huxley Community Park Budget Increase

22-111

It was moved and seconded that the Huxley Community Park Skatepark Construction Project budget be increased from \$773,700 to \$1,036,600 by allocating Electoral Area B Community Works Funds and that the 2022-2026 Electoral Area B Community Parks Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE MINUTES

22-112

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

Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting - February 3, 2022

Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee Meeting - February 1, 2022

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT AGENDA

At the request of Directors the following items were removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration under Section 8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda:

7.1.1 Bylaw 500 Review and Update Project - Phase One Status Update and Next Steps, Electoral Areas A, C, E, G, and H

7.2.1 Nanaimo River Park System Plan Development

22-113

It was moved and seconded that the following item on the Consent Agenda be adopted by consent:

7.1.2 Consideration of Cash- in-lieu of Park Land Dedication in Conjunction with Subdivision Application No. PL2021-109, Electoral Area A

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The item and recommendation referred to above is as follows:

ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Consideration of Cash-in-lieu of Park Land Dedication in Conjunction with Subdivision Application No. PL2021-109, Electoral Area A

22-114

It was moved and seconded that five percent (5%) cash-in-lieu of park land dedication be accepted in conjunction with Subdivision Application No. PL2021-109.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Bylaw 500 Review and Update Project - Phase One Status Update and Next Steps, Electoral Areas A, C, E, G, and H

22-115

It was moved and seconded that the Board receive the Bylaw 500 Review and Update Project discussion and options papers included as Attachment 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-116

It was moved and seconded that the Board endorse the draft Engagement Plan Highlights included as Attachment 2 and authorize staff to proceed with public engagement on the discussion and options papers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-117

It was moved and seconded that staff proceed with preparing a draft zoning bylaw update with a new bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REGIONAL PARKS AND TRAILS SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Nanaimo River Park System Plan Development

It was moved and seconded that a plan be created for the development of a Nanaimo River Park System, in collaboration with stakeholders and governments, to protect and enhance the ecological and hydrological integrity and public access to recreation along the length of the watercourse from the Nanaimo Lakes to the Nanaimo Estuary.

22-118

It was moved and seconded that the main motion be amended by inserting the word 'report' after the word 'plan'.

Opposed (14): Chair Brown, Director Craig, Director Wilson, Alternate Director Pinker, Director Rogers, Director Salter, Director Wallace, Director McLean, Director Armstrong, Director Bonner, Director B. Geselbracht, Director Hemmens, Director Maartman, and Director W. Geselbracht

DEFEATED

22-119

It was moved and seconded that the Nanaimo River Park System Plan Development be referred back to the Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee for further discussion.

Opposed (9): Director Craig, Director Wilson, Director Salter, Director McLean, Director Bonner, Director B. Geselbracht, Director Hemmens, Director Maartman, and Director W. Geselbracht

DEFEATED

The Chair called the question on the main motion:

22-120

That a plan be created for the development of a Nanaimo River Park System, in collaboration with stakeholders and governments, to protect and enhance the ecological and hydrological integrity and public access to recreation along the length of the watercourse from the Nanaimo Lakes to the Nanaimo Estuary.

Opposed (3): Director Armstrong, Director Thorpe, and Director Mayne

CARRIED

REPORTS

Blueback Community Parkland Addition Alternative Approval Process Results

22-121

It was moved and seconded that "Electoral Area 'E' Community Parks Local Service Amendment Bylaw No. 803.07, 2021" be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-122

It was moved and seconded that "Regional District of Nanaimo Electoral Area 'E' Parkland Acquisition Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1844, 2021" be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bow Horn Bay Fire Department Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Purchase

22-123

It was moved and seconded that the 5-year short-term borrowing of \$350,000 be authorized for the purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus in accordance with the approved 2022-2026 Financial Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Nanoose Bay Sewer Capital Projects Priority Adjustment

22-124

It was moved and seconded that the Board direct staff to seek an amendment to the Liquid Waste Management Plan to change the timeline for Nanoose Bay Pollution Control Centre secondary treatment upgrade to prioritize critical sewer upgrades in the same service area.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2020-027 860 Sohier Road, Electoral Area F Amendment Bylaw 1285.35, 2021 - Third Reading

22-125

It was moved and seconded that the Board receive the report of the Public Hearing held on December 16, 2021 for “Regional District of Nanaimo Electoral Area ‘F’ Zoning and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 1285.35, 2021”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-126

It was moved and seconded that the Board give third reading to “Regional District of Nanaimo Electoral Area ‘F’ Zoning and Subdivision Amendment Bylaw No. 1285.35, 2021”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Purchasing Policy A2.22 Update 2022

It was moved and seconded that the Board approve recommended updates to Purchasing Policy A2.22 as per the staff report dated February 22, 2022.

22-127

It was moved and seconded that the Purchasing Policy A2.22 Update 2022 be deferred to the next Board meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

South Wellington Former School Site Long-Term Lease Alternative Approval Process Results

22-128

It was moved and seconded that the Board deem the conditions precedent within the Lease with the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) for the use of the former South Wellington School facility and site satisfied.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-129

It was moved and seconded that the Lease with the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) for the use of the former South Wellington School facility and site commence as per the terms of the Lease.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Licence to Use Agreement Renewal for the La Selva Place Trail

22-130

It was moved and seconded that the 2022-2027 Licence to Use Agreement with Strata VIS 4626 for the public trail between La Selva Place and Moorecroft Regional Park be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS - WITH NO ACCOMPANYING REPORT

San Pareil Water Supply Local Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1170.08, 2022

22-131

It was moved and seconded that "San Pareil Water Supply Local Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1170.08, 2022", be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS - ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Eamon Stinson, re Ravensong Aquatic and Parks and Recreation Policy

Eamon Stinson expressed concerns regarding restrictions to essential services in place for tax-paying residents who are inoculation-free, specifically with regards to Ravensong Aquatic Centre. The delegate requested an alternative solution or remuneration for residents.

MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Amendment to Southern Community Search and Rescue Contribution Participants and Apportionment

22-132

It was moved and seconded that the Southern Community Search and Rescue Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1552, 2008 be amended to include Electoral Area E and to apportion their contribution to reflect the portion of service they receive from this bylaw, namely only their portion of providing for marine search and rescue.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Feasibility Study for a Social Planner Contract for Electoral Area B

22-133

It was moved and seconded that up to \$68,000 of Electoral Area B Feasibility Study Funds be used to conduct a study on the feasibility, cost, and potential function of creating a community health and wellbeing planner position/contract for Electoral Area B.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Director Salter provided notice of the following motion to the Board for consideration at the next Board meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2022:

That the Regional District of Nanaimo review funding for recreational facilities going forward.

IN CAMERA

22-134

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

- 90(1)(c) labour relations or other employee relations; and
- 90(1)(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 2:35 P.M.

RISE AND REPORT

Arrowsmith Search and Rescue Building Purchase

22-135

It was moved and seconded that the Arrowsmith Search and Rescue building be purchased for \$200,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-136

It was moved and seconded that 5-year short-term borrowing of \$52,833 be authorized for the purchase.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-137

It was moved and seconded that \$147,167 from the Coombs Hilliers fire protection service reserve be authorized for the purchase.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-138

It was moved and seconded that the Coombs Hilliers fire protection service budget be increased by \$2,000 for the additional operating costs associated with the space commencing in 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22-139

It was moved and seconded that the license of use agreement with Arrowsmith Search and Rescue be terminated in 2022 subject to Arrowsmith Search and Rescue agreeing the only liability to the Regional District of Nanaimo if such cancellation being the agreed payment to Arrowsmith Search and Rescue for the building.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 2:50 P.M.

CHAIR

CORPORATE OFFICER