

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

**Tuesday, March 12, 2024
1:00 P.M.**

Board Chambers (Webstreamed)

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| In Attendance: | Director V. Craig | Chair |
| | Director S. McLean | Vice Chair |
| | Director J. Stanley | Electoral Area A |
| | Director L. Melanson | Electoral Area C |
| | Director B. Rogers | Electoral Area E |
| | Director L. Salter | Electoral Area F |
| | Director L. Wallace | Electoral Area G |
| | Director L. Krog | City of Nanaimo |
| | Director S. Armstrong | City of Nanaimo |
| | Director B. Geselbracht* | City of Nanaimo |
| | Director E. Hemmens | City of Nanaimo |
| | Alternate | |
| | Director H. Eastmure | City of Nanaimo |
| | Director J. Perrino | City of Nanaimo |
| | Director D. O'Brien | City of Parksville |
| | Director S. Wood | City of Parksville |
| | Director M. Swain* | District of Lantzville |
| | Director T. Westbroek* | Town of Qualicum Beach |
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| Regrets: | Director T. Brown | City of Nanaimo |
| | Director P. Manly | City of Nanaimo |
| | Director I. W. Thorpe | City of Nanaimo |
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| Also in Attendance: | D. Holmes | Chief Administrative Officer |
| | C. Crabtree | Gen. Mgr. Corporate Services |
| | L. Grant | Gen. Mgr. Development & Emergency Services |
| | T. Osborne | Gen. Mgr. Recreation & Parks |
| | M. Walters | A/Gen. Mgr. Regional & Community Utilities |
| | T. Moore | Chief Financial Officer |
| | E. Beauchamp | Mgr. Emergency Services |
| | S. Bajwa | Solid Waste Planner |
| | J. Hill | Corporate Officer |
| | C. Holt | Zoom Moderator |
| | S. Syme | Recording Secretary |

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

* Denotes electronic meeting participation as authorized by Section 10 of "Regional District of Nanaimo Board Procedure Bylaw No. 1862, 2022".

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair respectfully acknowledged the Coast Salish Nations on whose traditional territory this meeting took place.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

24-140

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as amended to remove item 10.1 - Official Community Plan and Zoning Amendment Application No. PL2023-045, 1236 Island Highway West & 957 Lee Road West, Electoral Area G Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw 1540.05 - Third Read & Zoning Amendment Bylaw 500.441, 2023 - Third Read.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

24-141

It was moved and seconded that the following minutes be adopted:
Regular Board Meeting - February 27, 2024

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Melanson joined the meeting at 1:01 P.M.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

24-142

It was moved and seconded that the following minutes be received for information:
Solid Waste Management Committee Meeting - February 20, 2024

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT AGENDA

24-143

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

7.1.1 Zero Waste Recycling Funding 2023 Summary

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The item and recommendation referred to above are as follows:

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Zero Waste Recycling Funding 2023 Summary

24-144

That the Zero Waste Recycling Funding Summary 2023 report be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Mandatory Waste Source Separation Establishing Bylaw

24-145

It was moved and seconded that the “Regional District of Nanaimo Separate Waste Container Requirement Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1908, 2024” be introduced, read three times, and forwarded to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Westbroek joined the meeting at 1:03 P.M.

Amendment Bylaw 1802.03 - 2024 Curbside Utility Fees

24-146

Murray Walters, Acting General Manager, Regional and Community Utilities, provided an introduction to the report.

It was moved and seconded that the report "Amendment Bylaw 1802.03 - 2024 Curbside Utility Fees" be deferred to the March 26, 2024, Board meeting.

Opposed (5): Director Rogers, Director Wallace, Director Krog, Director Geselbracht, and Director Perrino

CARRIED

REPORTS

2024 Emergency Operations Centre Grant Approval

24-147

It was moved and seconded that the Regional District of Nanaimo Board endorse the grant application for \$30,000 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities - Community Emergency Preparedness Fund for Emergency Operations Centre Equipment and Training grant stream.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recreation Facility and Sports Field 2023 Usage Report March 2024 Update

24-148

It was moved and seconded that the Recreation Facility and Sports Field 2023 Usage Report March 2024 Update be received for information.

Opposed (1): Director Salter

CARRIED

2024 - 2028 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw 1902.01, 2024

Wayne Stark and Rudi Widdershoven, Northwest Nanoose Residents Association, presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Regional District of Nanaimo 2024-2028 approved Financial Plan, shared their views on excessive taxation in the current economic environment, and answered questions from the Board.

Director Swain joined the meeting at 1:33 P.M.

RECESS 2:04 P.M.

RECONVENE 2:12 P.M.

Tiffany Moore, Chief Financial Officer, presented a PowerPoint presentation introducing the 2024-2028 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw 1902.01, 2024, report.

24-149

It was moved and seconded that “Regional District of Nanaimo Financial Plan 2024 to 2028 Amendment Bylaw No. 1902.01, 2024” be introduced and read three times.

Opposed (5): Director Rogers, Director Salter, Director Wallace, Director Armstrong, and Director Swain

CARRIED

Director Swain left the meeting 2:45 P.M.

24-150

It was moved and seconded that “Regional District of Nanaimo Financial Plan 2024 to 2028 Amendment Bylaw No. 1902.01, 2024” be adopted.

Opposed (5): Director Melanson, Director Rogers, Director Salter, Director Wallace, and Director Armstrong

CARRIED

Webstreaming Regional District of Nanaimo Board and Committee Meetings

It was moved and seconded that all Regional District of Nanaimo Board, Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Board, Standing and Select Committee meetings that are open to the public, continue to be webstreamed live and recorded from the host meeting location, and that the webstream recording be published to the Calendar of Meetings on the Regional District of Nanaimo website; and further, that webstreaming and publishing of webstream recordings for all Regional District of Nanaimo Advisory Committee meetings be discontinued.

It was moved and seconded that the motion be amended to include the Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Technical Advisory Committee in the list of meetings that will continue to be webstreamed live and the webstream recording published to the Calendar of Meetings.

Opposed (3): Director Krog, Director Perrino, and Director O'Brien

CARRIED

The Chair called the vote on the main motion as amended as follows:

24-151

That all Regional District of Nanaimo Board, Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Board, Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Technical Advisory Committee, Standing and Select Committee meetings that are open to the public, continue to be webstreamed live and recorded from the host meeting location, and that the webstream recording be published to the Calendar of Meetings on the Regional District of Nanaimo website; and further, that webstreaming and publishing of webstream recordings for all Regional District of Nanaimo Advisory Committee meetings except for the Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Technical Advisory Committee, be discontinued.

Opposed (1): Director Stanley

CARRIED

BYLAWS - WITH NO ACCOMPANYING REPORT

“French Creek Sewerage Facilities Local Service Amendment Bylaw No. 813.60, 2024” – Adoption

24-152

It was moved and seconded that the Board adopt “French Creek Sewerage Facilities Local Service Amendment Bylaw No. 813.60, 2024”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

“Regional District of Nanaimo Northern Community Sewer Local Service Amendment Bylaw No. 889.81, 2024” – Adoption

24-153

It was moved and seconded that the Board adopt “Regional District of Nanaimo Northern Community Sewer Local Service Amendment Bylaw No. 889.81, 2024”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Electoral Area C Community Works Funds Allocation

24-154

It was moved and seconded that:

The Board approve \$100,000 of Electoral Area C Community Works Funds be allocated to the Extension School Site Land Improvements project and that the 2024-2028 Financial Plan be amended accordingly; and

The Board approve \$300,000 of Electoral Area C Community Works Funds be allocated to the Extension Fire Hall replacement or retrofit project and that the 2024-2028 Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IN CAMERA

24-155

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)(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; and
- 90(1)(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public; and

- 90(1)(m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting; and
- 90(2)(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 3:07 P.M.

RISE AND REPORT

At the In Camera meeting the Board approved the following rise and report:

Migratory Bird Control Contract Award

24-156

That the Board award the 2024-2028 Regional Landfill Migratory Bird Control Services Contract in an amount not to exceed \$655,000 & GST, to Pacific Northwest Raptors.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

Community Grant – Arrowsmith Search and Rescue

24-157

It was moved and seconded that the Board direct staff to bring forward an amendment to the Regional District of Nanaimo Financial Plan 2024 to 2028 Bylaw No. 1902, 2023 to the March 26, 2024, Board meeting to include a \$50,000 Community Grant in 2024 for Arrowsmith Search and Rescue for a direct payment towards Arrowsmith Search and Rescue's mortgage; and further, that the grant be apportioned by population for the participants of the Northern Community Search and Rescue Contribution Service.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 4:10 P.M.

CHAIR

CORPORATE OFFICER