

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
SELECT COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 17, 2018

9:30 A.M.

Oceanside Place

In Attendance:	Director B. Rogers	Chair
	Director J. Fell	Electoral Area F
	Director J. Stanhope	Electoral Area G
	Director B. Veenhof	Electoral Area H
	Director K. Oates	City of Parksville
	Director T. Westbroek	Town of Qualicum Beach
Also in Attendance:	P. Carlyle	Chief Administrative Officer
	G. Garbutt	Gen. Mgr. Strategic & Community Development
	P. Thompson	Mgr. Long Range Planning
	S. Horsburgh	Sustainability Coordinator
	B. Ritter	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as amended to include one Correspondence item.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES**Northern Community Economic Development Select Committee Meeting - February 15, 2018**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Northern Community Economic Development Select Committee meeting held February 15, 2018, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INVITED PRESENTATIONS**Jim Windsor, Director, Echo Players Society – Mural Project Summary Report**

J. Windsor, Director of Echo Players Society, gave a presentation on the success of a mural project, funded in Spring 2017 by the RDN's Northern Community Economic Development Select Committee program, painted on the Village Theatre building in downtown Qualicum Beach in 2017.

DELEGATIONS

The following delegations gave presentations on their projects and funding requests:

Patrick Jiggins, President, Lighthouse Country Business Association, re Lighthouse Country Familiarization Tour

Patrick Jiggins, President, Lighthouse Country Business Association, re Deep Bay Information Booth

Peter Drummond, Director, Qualicum Beach Streamkeepers Society, re Seaside Nature Park “Brant Viewing Platform”

Anne Dodson, Chief Executive Officer, Qualicum Beach Chamber of Commerce, re Social Media Ninja

Anne Dodson, Chief Executive Officer, Qualicum Beach Chamber of Commerce, re Empty Spaces Tour

Jolynn Green, Executive Director, Community Futures Central Island, re LEAP (Local Entrepreneurship Accelerator Program)

Chelsea Pedersen, General Manager, Innovation Island Technology Association, re Tech Savvy Talk & Leaders Roundtable

Cheryl Dill, Executive Director, Central Vancouver Island Job Opportunities Building Society, re Blade Runners 2018-2019

Kim Burden, Executive Director, Parksville and District Chamber of Commerce, re Mid Island Tech Attraction Strategy

Kim Burden, Executive Director, Parksville and District Chamber of Commerce, re Presentation on Economic Development Function for District 69

CORRESPONDENCE

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

T. Unger, re Letter of Support for Innovation Island Technology Association

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

Northern Community Economic Development – Spring 2018 Proposals

It was moved and seconded that the Northern Community Economic Development Select Committee consider nine proposals for funding through the Spring 2018 intake.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IN CAMERA

It was moved and seconded that pursuant to Section(s) 90 (1) (j) and (m) of the *Community Charter* the Committee proceed to an In Camera meeting for discussions related to third party business interests and a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 10:50 AM

The regular meeting reconvened at 11:30 AM

REPORTS

Northern Community Economic Development Summary Report Update

It was moved and seconded that the proposed changes to the Northern Community Economic Development (NCED) Application Form and Summary Report be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Alternate Approaches to Funding Blade Runners

It was moved and seconded that staff prepare a report on alternate approaches to funding the Blade Runners program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE AND REPORT

Northern Community Economic Development – Spring 2018 Proposals

It was moved and seconded that Lighthouse Country Business Association - Lighthouse Country Familiarization Tour - be awarded \$1,200.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that Lighthouse Country Business Association - Deep Bay Information Booth - be awarded \$4,700.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that Qualicum Beach Chamber of Commerce - Social Media Ninja - be awarded \$5,240.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that Qualicum Beach Streamkeepers Society - Seaside Nature Park “Brant Viewing Platform” - be awarded \$5,324 on the condition that it include indigenous history, arts and culture.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that Parksville and District Chamber of Commerce Mid Island Tech Forum Strategy - be awarded \$4,286.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that Community Futures Central Island - LEAP (Local Entrepreneurship Accelerator Program) - be awarded \$5,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that Innovation Island Technology Association - Tech Savvy Talk & Leaders Roundtable - be awarded \$4,250.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that Central Vancouver Island Job Opportunities Building Society - Blade Runners 2018-2019 - be awarded \$20,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 11:45 AM

CHAIR