

DISTRICT OF SEHELDT
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Held in Community Use Room, 5797 Cowrie Street, Sechelt, BC and
via Zoom Electronic Meeting Platform
Wednesday, October 25, 2023

PRESENT Chair B. Rowe; Mayor J. Henderson; Councillors D. Bell; D. Inkster; D. McLaughlan; A. Shepherd and A. Toth

STAFF Chief Administrative Officer A. Yeates; Director of Planning and Development A. Allen; Director of Financial Services and Information Technology D. Douglas; Director of Engineering and Operations K. Dhillon; Director of Corporate & Community Services L. Roberts; Financial Service Manager B. Smith; Corporate Officer K. Poulsen and Recording Secretary F. Bol

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF CONFLICT

Chair Rowe called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 3 pm and asked for declarations of conflict. There were none.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Recommendation No. 1 – Adoption of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

That the agenda be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

3. APPOINTMENTS AND DELEGATIONS

None.

4. NEW BUSINESS

None.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

Councillor Inkster joined the meeting at 3:01 pm.

5.1 Mobile Vending in Sechelt

The Corporate Officer provided an overview of the report.

Council discussed the following:

- Existing and potential uses of display areas and venue types.
- Public engagement strategies may include surveys, online and in-person information sessions and other opportunities for neighbouring residents and members of the public.
- Using recommendations from the recent report on mobile vending from the Sunshine Coast Regional Economic Development Organization may help inform the public engagement strategy.

Recommendation No. 2 – Moved/Seconded

That in consideration of the amount of time needed for mobile vendors to plan and prepare for the upcoming vending season, staff are directed to advertise the call for mobile vending applications as soon as possible, with a deadline of December 1, 2023; and

That staff be directed to engage in public consultation and provide a report back to Council on the community's appetite for:

- a. Long term multi-year lease of Display Areas vs. seasonal mobile vending
- b. Rotating vendors week to week vs. assigning a vendor for a season
- c. Overnight parking of vendors at Display Areas
- d. All season use of Display Areas
- e. Preferred vendor types
- f. Changes for Display Area use fees
- g. Interest in expansion or reduction of Display Areas.

CARRIED

5.2 2023 Third Quarter Division Progress Report

Corporate and Community Services Division:

- Highlights include short-term rental, water issues and opening of cooling centres.
- Notable events include syiyaya Days, Canada Day parade and the Summer Music Series.
- Facility asset improvement is underway for a commercial kitchen at Rockwood Lodge.

Financial Services and Information Technology Division:

- Installation of a new Municipal Hall telephone network system through Microsoft Teams.
- Installation of Municipal Hall door fobs and Operations Centre security camera system.
- 2023 property tax season finalized and a potential tax sale in September was avoided.

Planning and Development Division:

- The Official Community Plan update will focus on density in the downtown centre and mixed multifamily designations and will come to Council on November 8.

- A comprehensive short-term rental (STR) report will come to Council on November 8.
- Currently awaiting update on the application status for the Housing Accelerator Fund.

Engineering and Operations Division:

- Changes to processes at the Water Resource Centre are aimed at more efficient processing of effluent, with consideration to the recent increases in the levels of fats, oils and grease.
- Capital projects completed include the Operations Centre, the sani-dump station and sidewalk repairs at Teredo Street and Trail Avenue.
- Projects started included West Sechelt Active Transportation Infrastructure, Wakefield Lift Station, Shoal Way and Reef Road Bike Lanes and Inlet Avenue Revitalization.

Council congratulated staff for their work over the past quarter.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation No. 2 – Moved/Seconded

That the Committee of the Whole meeting of October 25, 2023 be adjourned at 3:39 pm.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:



B. Rowe, Chair



Kerianne Poulsen, Corporate Officer