



DISTRICT OF HIGHLANDS
MINUTES OF SUSTAINABLE LAND USE
SELECT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 @ 7:00pm
SCHOOL HOUSE, 1589 MILLSTREAM ROAD

PRESENT:

Val Fletcher
Neville Grigg
Bob McMinn
Ellie Rayner
Allan Roger

ABSENT:

Ingo Lambrecht
Dave Mackas
Councillor Karen Burns (Liaison)
Councillor Gord Baird (Alternate Liaison)

PUBLIC:

Marcie McLean

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved that the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved that the minutes of the Committee meeting of January 17, 2017 be adopted.

CARRIED

3. COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATE

Councillor McLean encouraged the Committee to attend the next council meeting on March 6, 2017 (later rescheduled to March 13 – Committee of the Whole) as the updated Strategic Plan will be presented for comment and discussion.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. UVIC Geography Reports for Community Education and Outreach for Groundwater Protection Practices; UVIC Law Clinic GAP Analysis; Golder Groundwater Protection Plan

Motion from January 17, 2017 meeting: *That the committee will continue to review all the documents mentioned above and propose action items as we move forward.*

The Committee members received the following email extract from Councillor Gord Baird - *the Planner feels she has all the info to develop action items around water protection that incorporate the Golder report and reinforced by the UVIC Gap Analysis report.*

Members decided to keep this item on our future agendas pending further clarification from staff or Council as to whether further advice from the Committee would be welcome.

5. THREATS TO HIGHLANDS SUSTAINABILITY

- a. The Committee will revisit its recommendation from our January 17, 2017 meeting to Council “that the District use a local area plan approach to provide better control over future developments in the commercial/industrial areas of the south Highlands”. The Committee will consider whether additional detail will be provided to Council for inclusion in the local area plan.
- b. The Committee discussed construction of unauthorised mountain bike trails on public land in the Stewart Mtn./Scafe Hill area. More information to be gathered.
- c. The Committee discussed “multiple-dwelling” sewerage systems as a potential threat to the Highlands environment, and is looking for risk mitigation via engineering scrutiny and/or application of the Highlands Sustainability Questionnaire. The question of how Highlands could enforce additional scrutiny is unclear.

6. NEW BUSINESS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved that the meeting adjourn at 8:45 pm.

CARRIED

Recording Secretary

Chair

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday March 21, 2017, 7:00 pm at the School House