



**DISTRICT OF HIGHLANDS
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023 @ 7:00 PM
COMMUNITY HALL, 729 FINLAYSON ARM ROAD**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Ken Williams
Councillor Leslie Anderson
Councillor Ann Baird
Councillor Gord Baird
Councillor Marcie McLean
Councillor Karel Roessingh
Councillor Rose Stanton

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Administrative Officer Lorraine Hilton

Public Observation: 0

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: 01-2023

*Moved Councillor Stanton, Seconded Councillor Gord Baird
That the agenda be approved as presented.*

CARRIED

2. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1

MOTION: 02-2023

Council – December 5, 2022

*Moved Councillor McLean, Seconded Councillor Anderson
That the minutes of the December 5, 2022 Regular Council meeting be
adopted.*

CARRIED

3.2

MOTION: 03-2023

Special Council – December 13, 2022

*Moved Councillor Anderson, Seconded Councillor McLean
That the minutes of the December 13, 2022 Special Council meeting be
adopted.*

CARRIED

3.3

MOTION: 04-2023

West Shore Parks and Recreation Society – November 24, 2022

*Moved Councillor Anderson, Seconded Councillor Roessingh
That the minutes of the November 24, 2022 West Shore Parks and
Recreation Society meeting be received.*

CARRIED

**4. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES &
COMMISSIONS**

Councillor Leslie Anderson
West Shore Parks and Recreation Society, Te'Mexw Treaty Advisory
Committee and Heritage Select Committee

Councillor Ann Baird
CRD Climate Action Committee and CRD Housing Trust Fund
Commission

Councillor Gord Baird
CRD Regional Water Supply Commission and CRD JDF Water
Distribution Commission, and Sustainable Land Use Select Committee

Attended JDF Water Distribution Commission meeting and will provide
an update at the next regular Council meeting.

Councillor Marcie McLean
Coexisting with Carnivores Alliance and Greater Victoria Family Court
and Youth Justice Committee

Councillor Karel Roessingh
Capital Region Emergency Services Telecommunications (CREST),
CRD Arts and Greater Victoria Public Library Board

Councillor Rose Stanton
Emergency Planning Committee, Inter-Municipal Advisory Committee on
Disability Issues, Western Communities Policing Advisory Committee
and Social Sustainability Select Committee

Mayor Williams

Wed. Dec 14th, 2022, Capital Region Housing Corporation Board

The Capital Region Housing Corporation (CRHC) Board approved the
CRHC's 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets.

Operating Budgets:

<https://crd.ca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=32165&GUID=3FB85A99-5505-4AEA-A3DB-39843EE3D84F>

Routine Capital Plans (2020-2024):

<https://crd.ca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=32166&GUID=4818F77E-188D-422E-BE24-1E40107063F6>

Wed. Dec 14th, 2022, Capital Regional District Board

The territorial acknowledgment was provided by Chief Rob Thomas of
the Esquimalt Nation.

At delegations, Dave Cowan, representing the Peninsula Biosolids
Coalition and Butchart Gardens, expressed concerns about the storage
of biosolids at the Hartland Landfill.

The 2023 Committee and External Membership appointments were
endorsed. I will be serving as Vice Chair of Planning and Protective
Services. My other committee appointments include First Nation
Relations, Parks and Finance.

The Alternative Process (AAP) for Regional Goose Management (Bylaw
4522) was approved. Unless more than 10 % (33,208) of regional
electors oppose the establishment of the proposed new service, the
board will proceed. The cut off date is Jan 23 2023.

<https://crd.ca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=32178&GUID=EF40A14F-AE45-4B1A-9353-06EB3D7E2B2B>

The same AAP process and cut off date will also be used for Solid
Waste Loan Authorization (Bylaw 4515). This is to borrow
\$36,000,000.00 for designing and constructing solid waste facilities and
improvements at Hartland Landfill.

<https://crd.ca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=32179&GUID=01540167-3FB9-4511-8DEB-D77DEA638834>

Voters of Salt Spring Island endorsed the creation of a local community commission (LLC) by referendum. This will allow greater elected representation on island-wide services.

Staff gave an update on biosolids management. Many directors including myself shared concerns about the process with regards to potential contamination.

<https://crd.ca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=32174&GUID=6D86E073-39C2-4309-B0FC-D15AA0F37A45>

Bulk Water Fees and Charges were approved by the CRD Board:
<https://crd.ca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=32169&GUID=9500F837-D241-4EB6-9871-A2FE52ED2AE0>

The Seagirt Water System was established in the JDF electoral area:
<https://crd.ca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=32153&GUID=A363687A-79D0-4B3B-8413-3787CB7D9320>

Wed. Jan 4th, 2023, Finance Committee

The Finance Committee heard a presentation on the audit process by Lead Audit Engagement Partner, Lenora Lee, KPMG.

The Committee later recommended to the CRD Board that the 2022 Audit Plan be approved.

The Committee also heard an External Grants Update by CFO Nelson Chan:

<https://crd.ca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=32216&GUID=6694330F-4323-43F0-8F25-9ED0C15D0E9B>

5. RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

6. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1

Correspondence, Union of BC Municipalities, December 9, 2022 (1855.43)

RE: CANADA COMMUNITY-BUILDING FUND: SECOND COMMUNITY WORKS FUND PAYMENT FOR 2022-2023

MOTION: 05-2023

Moved Councillor Gord Baird, Seconded Councillor Stanton
That the correspondence from the Union of BC Municipalities be received for information.

CARRIED

8.2

Correspondence, AccessBC, December 12, 2022 (0110.20)

RE: ACCESS BC – PRESCRIPTION CONTRACEPTION

MOTION: 06-2023

Moved Councillor Stanton, Seconded Councillor Gord Baird
That the District of Highlands write to the Provincial Government to urge that all prescription contraception be universally available at no cost under the Medical Service Plan.

CARRIED

With Councillor McLean voting opposed

9. BYLAWS

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

12. MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA

Moved Councillor Anderson, Seconded Councillor Gord Baird

MOTION: 07-2023

That Council move in camera in accordance with section 90 (1)(a) of the *Community Charter* to discuss personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality.

*Mayor Williams recessed the Regular Council meeting at 7:08 pm
Mayor Williams reconvened the Regular Council meeting at 7:42 pm*

13. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA RESOLUTIONS

The following appointments were released from in camera:

Re-appoint Warren Lee and appoint Guy Brisebois and Marie Brotherston to the Social Sustainability Select Committee for a two-year term.

Re-appoint Sally Gose, Daphne Allen, Bob McMinn and Paul Henry to the Heritage Select Committee for a two-year term.

Re-appoint Warren Lee as a Non-Voting E-Participant for a two-year term.

Re-appoint Ingo Lambrecht and Deanna Henry and appoint Scott Nichol to the Board of Variance for a three-year term.

Re-appoint Allan Roger and Ellie Rayner to the Sustainable Land Use Select Committee for a two-year term.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 08-2023

Moved Councillor Gord Baird, Seconded Councillor Anderson
That the Regular Council meeting of January 9, 2023 adjourn at 7:42 pm.

CARRIED

MAYOR

DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER