



VILLAGE OF BELCARRA
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
VILLAGE HALL
June 8, 2020



Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for the Village of Belcarra held June 8, 2020 at the Municipal Hall, 4084 Bedwell Bay Road, Belcarra, BC.

This meeting was held via Zoom Teleconference and was recorded.

Council in Attendance

Mayor Neil Belenkie
Councillor Rob Begg
Councillor Carolina Clark
Councillor Bruce Drake
Councillor Liisa Wilder

Staff in Attendance

Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer
Stewart Novak, Public Works & Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
Paula Richardson, Municipal Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Belenkie called the Zoom meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

2.1 Regular Council Meeting, June 8, 2020

Moved by: Councillor Clark
Seconded by: Councillor Drake

That the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting, June 8, 2020 be amended to remove Item 8.7 from the agenda; and
That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Regular Council Meeting, May 25, 2020

Moved by: Councillor Begg
Seconded by: Councillor Clark

That the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held May 25, 2020 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

No items.

5. REPORTS**5.1** Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, report dated June 8, 2020 regarding "Village of Belcarra Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 520, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 565, 2020"

L. Dysart outlined report. Public Works staff are posting new signs where required. Residents are encouraged to obtain resident and guest parking permits.

Councillor Wilder joined meeting 7:04 pm

Discussion ensued. Council asked pertinent questions.

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Begg

That Bylaw Enforcement Notice Bylaw No. 520, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 565, 2020 be read a first, second and third time.

CARRIED

5.2 Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, report dated June 8, 2020 regarding Review of the Official Community Plan and Bedwell Bay Sustainability Plan

L. Dysart outlined the report noting that the moratorium on recreational docks will be lifted by the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (VFPA) on June 15, 2020 with the exception of the Highway Encroachment Area on Marine Avenue and Senkler Road.

The VFPA has provided a grant of \$10,000 for work required on the OCP Review. Richard White, RWPAS Ltd., and Chris Boit, ISL Engineering Services, will work with staff on the review.

Moved by: Councillor Clark

Seconded by: Councillor Drake

That the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to proceed with a review of Section 3.2 "Water Use Policies" of the Official Community Plan and the Bedwell Bay Sustainability Plan within the budget available from a grant from the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority.

CARRIED

5.3 Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, verbal report regarding Appointment of Mayor Belenkie as a voting delegate at the Annual General Meetings for the Municipal Insurance Association of BC.

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Clark

That Mayor Belenkie be appointed as a voting delegate at the Annual General Meetings for the Municipal Insurance Association of BC.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES**6.1 Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS)**

Mayor Belenkie advised that FUS is working with staff on an audit of the water system.

6.2 Notice of Motion – No Cost to Residents – Sprinkler Installations

Councillor Drake outlined the Notice of Motion provided at the Regular Council Meeting of May 25, 2020, with regard to No Cost to Residents for Sprinkler Installations.

L. Dysart provided building statistics on the number of homes where sprinklers have been installed since 2017:

- 11 single family homes have been built. 9 of the 11 installed sprinklers.
- 2 coach houses, with sprinkler systems, were also built.

Considerable discussion ensued.

“Whereas the installation of home sprinkler systems help protect lives and property for the homeowner involved as well as neighbours; and whereas such installations reduce the demands on the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department to everyone’s benefit.

Be it resolved:

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Clark

That Belcarra ensure that there are no costs assigned by the Village to property owners who install sprinkler systems, which would not be assigned if there were no sprinkler system.”

CARRIED

6.2 Notice of Motion – Request to Province for Sprinkler Bylaw Exception

Councillor Drake provided the following Notice of Motion at the Regular Council meeting held May 25, 2020 and noted that Belcarra is in a unique situation and should be treated as an exception. Discussion ensued.

“Whereas Belcarra faces unique risks of fire given our setting; and whereas the municipality has been advised by the provincial government that the Village cannot require sprinklers in new homes or with major renovations.

Be it resolved:

Moved by: Councillor Wilder

Seconded by: Councillor Clark

That Belcarra submit a request for an exception to the current policy of the Province, of not allowing such municipal requirements for sprinklers on the grounds that Belcarra faces unique risks and we commit ourselves to aligning Village bylaws with new BC sprinkler policies as soon as these are promulgated.”

CARRIED

7. BYLAWS**7.1 Village of Belcarra 5-Year Financial Plan 2020 – 2024 Bylaw No. 559, 2020, Amendment Bylaw No. 564, 2020**

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Clark

That “Village of Belcarra 5-Year Financial Plan 2020 – 2024 Bylaw No. 559, 2020, Amendment Bylaw No. 564, 2020” be adopted:

CARRIED

Mayor Belenkie and Councillor Begg voted in opposition

7.2 Village of Belcarra Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 517, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 563, 2020

Moved by: Councillor Drake
Seconded by: Councillor Clark

That "Village of Belcarra Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 517, 2018 Amendment Bylaw No. 563, 2020" be adopted.

CARRIED**8. CORRESPONDENCE / PROCLAMATIONS**

Moved by: Councillor Wilder
Seconded by: Councillor Begg

That correspondence items 8.1 to 8.6 be received.

CARRIED**ACTION ITEMS****8.1 Bonnie Stein, GRAD 2020 Parent Committee SD#43, email dated May 24, 2020 regarding Tri-Cities Grad 2020 Celebrations**

Moved by: Councillor Clark
Seconded by: Councillor Wilder

That Council declare June 15 – 21, 2020 as "Grad 2020 Week" in the Village of Belcarra.

CARRIED**8.2 Abigail Cameron, Local Immigration Partnership Manager, S.U.C.C.E.S.S., email dated June 3, 2020 regarding Tri-Cities Statement Against Racism**

Moved by: Councillor Clark
Seconded by: Councillor Drake

That Council support the Tri-Cities "Joint Statement Against Racism on the Impact of COVID-19 on Vulnerable Groups".

CARRIED**INFORMATION ITEMS****8.3 Kerri Palmer Isaak, Trustee, School District 43 (SD43), Coquitlam, notice dated May 25, 2020 regarding Community Update – Anmore, Belcarra****8.4 Michael Currie, Vice President, Fire Underwriters Survey, letter dated May 28, 2020 regarding Fire Underwriters Survey – Village of Belcarra's Water Distribution System****8.5 Ron Hicks & Janet Robertson, Belcarra Residents, letter dated May 20, 2020 regarding Remove Site 15 & Other Similar Road Ends from the For Sale List****8.6 Deborah Struk, Belcarra Resident, email dated May 23, 2020 regarding Road End Use Approved**

9. NEW BUSINESS**9.1 Notice of Motion**

Councillor Drake provided the following Notice of Motion:

“Whereas the Villages of Belcarra and Anmore are the sole participants in the Metro Vancouver Regional District Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department (SVFD) with each Village providing 3 of its 7 person Board of Trustees to serve with an appointed non – Village chair; and whereas the SVFD Trustees will be considering the need for significant investments in its fire halls in each community within the next few years;
Be it resolved:

That Belcarra needs to keep these anticipated costs in mind in any decisions related to the Village’s financial position.”

9.2 Legal Opinion Policy

Mayor Belenkie requested that Council reconsider the Disclosure of Legal Advice Policy No. 213 with a view to reviewing guidelines presented by Legal Counsel. Discussion ensued.

Moved by: Councillor Begg

Seconded by: Mayor Belenkie

That Council reconsider the Disclosure of Legal Advice Policy No. 213 at the next Council meeting.

CARRIED
Councillor Wilder voted in opposition

10. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Peter Struk, Belcarra Resident, queried with regard to the following:

- The number of legal opinions obtained with regard to Road Ends.
- The difference between bylaws and policies.
- Support for forming a group to study the feasibility of housing diversity and high rise buildings in the Village as a new revenue stream.

Sherry Chisholm, Belcarra Resident, queried with regard to the following:

- The status of street lights in the Village.
- The status of the surveys and appraisals on Road Ends.

John Shoolestani, Belcarra Resident, queried with regard to the following:

- Whether the Village will support item 8.2 on the Agenda regarding Tri-Cities Statement Against Racism
- The current zoning of the foreshore.
- The requirement for new residents to connect to the water system.

Don Babineau, Belcarra Resident, queried with regard to the following:

- Pressure washing in the Village.
- An ongoing update on the action items from the Revenue and Water Committees.

David Shoolestani, Belcarra Resident, queried with regard to the following:

- Traffic and parking signs on Marine Avenue.

Desmond Wilson, Belcarra Resident, queried with regard to a second road side chipping date.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Wilder
Seconded by: Councillor Clark

That the June 8, 2020 Regular Meeting be adjourned at 8:45 pm.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:



Neil Belenkie
Mayor



Lorna Dysart
Chief Administrative Officer