

## VILLAGE OF BELCARRA SPECIAL COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION MINUTES Via Zoom March 3, 2021



This meeting was held via Zoom Teleconference and was recorded.

#### **Council in Attendance**

Mayor Jamie Ross Councillor Carolina Clark Councillor Bruce Drake Councillor John Snell Councillor Liisa Wilder

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#### Staff in Attendance

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

#### a) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ross called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

#### 2.1 Special Council Strategic Planning Session, March 3, 2021

Moved by:

Councillor Snell

Seconded by:

Councillor Wilder

That the agenda for the Special Council Strategic Planning Session, March 3, 2021 be amended by adding a Matrix provided by Councillor Snell; and That the Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

### 3. L. Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, verbal discussion regarding Strategic Planning Session

Mayor Ross provided an overview of the Strategic Planning Session. Councillors provided their top priority. Considerable discussion ensued.

Councillor Snell provided a Matrix outlining the Strategic Planning priority list.

Several Strategic Planning Items were consolidated as follows:

Moved by:

Councillor Drake

Seconded by:

Councillor Clark

That the following items be consolidated as:

#### **Enhanced Fire Protection:**

- a) Emergency Preparedness & FireSmart
- b) Monitored Fire Alarms
- c) Water Hook up for Sprinklers waive water connection application fee of \$750.00
- d) Water Capacity for Firefighting Reservoir
- e) Tree Bylaw & Report
- f) Application to the Province to request a Local Variance (Sprinklers)
- g) Water Metering

**CARRIED** 

Moved by: Seconded by: Councillor Clark

Councillor Wilder

That the following items be consolidated as:

#### Group Wharfages & lifting the Moratorium on Marine Avenue & Senkler Road

- a) Highway Encroachment Areas expand to other areas, Belcarra Bay Road
- b) Group Wharfages & lifting the moratorium on Marine Avenue & Senkler Road

**CARRIED** 

Moved by: Seconded by: Councillor Snell
Councillor Drake

That the following items be consolidated as:

#### **Belcarra Community Pathways & Trails**

- a) Belcarra Community Pathways
- b) Trails

**CARRIED** 

Discussion ensued with regard to the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department (SVFD) New Firehall Planning item on the Strategic Planning Priorities.

#### Step 1 - Prioritizing the Strategic Planning List of items

Council members will be requested to establish priorities and recommend one item for discussion.

#### First Step – Each Council Member recommended one item for discussion.

Councillor Snell recommended Parking Bylaw Enforcement – Public Information Meeting as a top priority. Discussion ensued.

Councillor Clark recommended Asset Management – Financial Plan / Sustainability as a top priority. Discussion ensued.

Councillor Drake recommended the consolidated Enhanced Fire Protection items as a top priority. Discussion ensued.

Councillor Wilder recommended the Official Community Plan as a top priority. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Ross recommended Group Wharfages and lifting the moratorium as a top priority. Discussion ensued.

Moved by:

Councillor Snell

Seconded by:

Councillor Wilder

That Parking Bylaw Enforcement – Public Information Meeting be considered a Priority.

**CARRIED** 

Moved by:

Councillor Clark

Seconded by:

Councillor Drake

That Asset Management – Financial Plan / Sustainability be considered a Priority.

**CARRIED** 

Moved by:

Councillor Drake

Seconded by:

Councillor Clark

That Enhancing Fire Protection be considered a Priority.

**CARRIED** 

Moved by:

Councillor Wilder

Seconded by:

Councillor Drake

That the Official Community Plan Review & Update be considered a Priority.

**CARRIED** 

Moved by:

Mayor Ross

Seconded by:

Councillor Wilder

That Group Wharfages & Highway Encroachment Areas be considered a Priority.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Snell voted in opposition

Considerable discussion ensued with regard to the Priorities and placement on the Strategic Plan. Council discussed the addition of priorities as a second tier list.

Council discussed grant funding for Pathways & Trails.

Moved by:

Councillor Drake

Seconded by:

Councillor Snell

That Community Pathways & Trails be a considered Priority.

**CARRIED** 

Council discussed the continued support of Farrer Cove residents with regard to the road to Farrer Cove.

Moved by:

Councillor Wilder

Seconded by:

Councillor Clark

That the Road to Farrer Cove be considered a Priority.

**CARRIED** 

Council discussed Traffic Control and Pedestrian Safety.

Moved:

Councillor Snell

Seconded:

Councillor Clark

That Traffic Control be considered a Priority.

**CARRIED** 

Council discussed the Multi Use Court and the lease with Metro Vancouver Parks.

Moved:

Councillor Clark

Seconded:

Mayor Ross

That the Multi Use Court be considered a Priority.

CARRIED

#### Councillor Drake & Councillor Snell voted opposition

#### Second Step – Resident Participation

<u>Sherry Chisholm, Belcarra Resident,</u> noted that there was no public interest in the Multi Use Court.

<u>Jillian Hull, Belcarra Resident</u>, queried with regard to whether the Multi Use Court could be used for a different purpose such as a gathering place.

#### Third Step - Discussion back to Council

Council discussed putting the items in Priority order for the Strategic Plan.

Moved by:

Councillor Clark

Seconded by:

Councillor Drake

That Asset Management – Financial Plan / Sustainability be Priority 1 on the 2021 Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

Moved by:

Councillor Drake

Seconded:

Councillor Snell

That the following items included as "Consolidated Enhanced Fire Protection" be Priority 2 on the 2021 Strategic Plan

- a. Emergency Preparedness & FireSmart
- b. Monitored Fire Alarms
- Water Hook up for Sprinklers waive water connection application fee of \$750.00
- d. Water Capacity for Firefighting Reservoir
- e. Tree Bylaw & Report
- f. Application to the Province to request a Local Variance (Sprinklers)
- g. Water Metering

**CARRIED** 

Moved by:

Councillor Snell

Seconded by:

Councillor Wilder

That Parking Bylaw Enforcement – Public Information Meeting be Priority 3 on the 2021 Strategic Plan.

**CARRIED** 

Moved by:

Councillor Drake

Seconded by:

Councillor Clark

That the Official Community Plan – review & update be Priority 4 on the 2021 Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

Moved by:

Councillor Wilder

Seconded by:

Councillor Drake

That Group Wharfage & Lifting the Moratorium on Marine Avenue & Senkler Road be Priority 5 on the 2021 Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

Moved by:

Councillor Wilder

Seconded by:

Councillor Clark

That Belcarra Community Paths & Trails be Priority 6 on the 2021 Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

#### Public Questions & Feedback

John Shoolestani, Belcarra Resident, queried with regard to whether all Council members agreed that six priorities be included instead of five.

<u>Sherry Chisholm, Belcarra Resident,</u> noted that Group Wharfs are very important to many in the Village who have waited a long time for the moratorium to be lifted by Vancouver Fraser Port Authority.

<u>Joe Elworthy, Belcarra Resident,</u> expressed his appreciation to Council for their work on the Strategic Plan.

<u>Jillian Hull, Belcarra Resident,</u> noted that Group Wharfs should be a priority and that Trails will become an issue when Parking is discussed.

<u>Peter Struk, Belcarra Resident,</u> noted that the situation with Docks in Bedwell Bay is an important issue.

<u>Joel Johnston</u>, <u>Belcarra Resident</u>, noted that the moratorium complicates the Group Wharfage issue and is happy it is in the top five Strategic Priorities.

#### Amendment:

"Mayor Ross noted that the following Secondary Items will remain on the list in the following order, as established by Council:

- 7) Road to Farrer Cove
- 8) Traffic Control
  - a) Speed Bumps
  - b) Speed Issues & Calming
  - c) Bedwell Bay Road encroachments & shrubbery
- 9) Multi Use Court"

Mayor Ross thanked Council for their work and residents for their attendance and input.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Moved by:

Councillor Clark

Seconded by:

Councillor Wilder

That the March 3, 2021 Special Council Strategic Planning Session be adjourned at 8:29 pm.

**CARRIED** 

Certified Correct:

Jamie Ross

Mayor

Lorna Dysar

Chief Administrative Officer