

**METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
WATER COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Water Committee held at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2021 in the 28th Floor Boardroom, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair, Mayor Malcolm Brodie*, Richmond
Vice Chair, Councillor Doug Elford*, Surrey
Councillor Brent Asmundson*, Coquitlam
Chief Ken Baird*, Tsawwassen
Councillor Don Bell*, North Vancouver City
Councillor Rebecca Bligh*, Vancouver (arrived at 9:02 a.m.)
Councillor Carolina Clark*, Belcarra
Mayor Bill Dingwall*, Pitt Meadows
Councillor Alicia Guichon*, Delta
Councillor Joe Keithley*, Burnaby
Councillor Gayle Martin*, Langley City
Councillor Ryan Svendsen*, Maple Ridge
Mayor Rob Vagramov*, Port Moody

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

STAFF PRESENT:

Marilyn Towill, General Manager, Water Services
Lauren Cichon, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 May 13, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee:

- a) amend the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for May 13, 2021 by adding an update on the Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Paper under Item 5.6 Manager's Report; and
- b) adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

*denotes electronic meeting participation as authorized by Section 3.6.2 of the *Procedure Bylaw*

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2.1 April 15, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

9:02 a.m. Councillor Bligh arrived to the meeting.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held April 15, 2021 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

4. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

5. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

5.1 Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable's 2020 Annual Report for Greater Vancouver Water District

Report dated May 3, 2021, from Jesse Montgomery, Division Manager, Environmental Management, Water Services, providing the GVWD Board with the Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable's 2020 Annual Report in accordance with the Contribution Agreement between GVWD and the CRWR.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the GVWD Board receive for information the report dated May 3, 2021, titled "Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable's 2020 Annual Report for Greater Vancouver Water District".

CARRIED

5.2 GVWD Watershed Wildfire Preparedness Update

Report dated April 12, 2021, from Kevin Brown, Superintendent, Watershed Protection and Mike Mayers, Division Manager, Watershed and Environmental Management, Water Services, providing the Water Committee with an annual update on watershed wildfire preparedness in advance of the 2021 fire season.

Members were provided a video presentation on Metro Vancouver's Watershed Protection Team and their work, which is not retained with the agenda.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee receive for information the report dated April 12, 2021 titled "GVWD Watershed Wildfire Preparedness Update".

CARRIED

5.3 Award of Contract Resulting from Tender No. 20-154: Pebble Hill Reservoir Unit No. 1 & 2 Seismic Upgrades

Report dated April 23, 2021, from Roy Moulder, Director, Purchasing and Risk Management, Financial Services, and Goran Oljaca, Director, Engineering and Construction, Water Services, advising the GVWD Board of the results of Tender No. 20-154: Pebble Hill Reservoir Unit No. 1 & 2 Seismic Upgrades and recommending award of the contract in the amount of \$7,062,500.00 (exclusive of taxes) to Bennett Mechanical Installations (2001) Ltd.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the GVWD Board:

- a) approve award of a contract in the amount of \$7,062,500.00 (exclusive of taxes) to Bennett Mechanical Installations (2001) Ltd. resulting from Tender No. 20- 154: Pebble Hill Reservoir Unit No. 1 & 2 Seismic Upgrades, subject to final review by the Commissioner; and
- b) authorize the Commissioner and the Corporate Officer to execute the required documentation once the Commissioner is satisfied that the award should proceed.

CARRIED

5.4 Water Supply Forecast and Water Consumption Update for Summer 2021

Report dated May 6, 2021, from Paul Kohl, Director, Operations and Maintenance, and Lucas Pitts, Acting Director, Policy, Planning and Analysis, Water Services, providing the Water Committee and GVWD Board with the annual update on the current water supply and water consumption situation in advance of the approaching summer peak demand period.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee receive for information the report dated May 6, 2021, titled "Water Supply Forecast and Water Consumption Update for Summer 2021".

CARRIED

5.5 Update on the Cleveland Dam Safety Enhancements Program

Report dated May 3, 2021, from Daniel Roberge, Director, Water Services, reporting on the status of Metro Vancouver's initiatives to enhance public safety along the Capilano River downstream of the Cleveland Dam.

Members were provided a presentation regarding updates to the Cleveland Dam Safety Enhancements Program highlighting the spillway gate readiness, enhancements to the public warning system including the public warning system schedule, alarm notification protocol, and engagement and communications.

Presentation material titled "Cleveland Dam Safety Enhancements Program" is retained with the May 13, 2021 Water Committee agenda.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee receive for information the report dated May 3, 2021, titled "Update on the Cleveland Dam Safety Enhancements Program".

CARRIED

5.6 Manager's Report

Report dated May 3, 2021, from Marilyn Towill, General Manager, Water Services, updating the Committee on the Earthquake Early Warning – Strategic Response System, Annual Smolt Outmigration Request from Seymour Salmonid Society, Grouse Mountain Resort Improvements, and the Water Committee 2021 Work Plan.

In response to a question on the Coquitlam Lake Water Supply project, staff updated members that quite a bit of work has been done on this project over the past five years, and staff will be coming back with updates for the Committee and Board's input and direction.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee receive for information the report dated May 3, 2021 titled "Manager's Report".

CARRIED

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Project Delivery Department – Governance Transition

Report dated May 7, 2021, from Marilyn Towill, General Manager, Water Services, updating the Water Committee on an overview of two projects being delivered by the Project Delivery Department as part of the governance transition of oversight for the highest value, risk, consequence projects to the Finance and Intergovernment Committee. This report was considered by the Finance and Intergovernment Committee on May 12, 2021, and is presented to the Water Committee for information only.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee receive for information the report dated May 7, 2021 titled "Project Delivery Department – Governance Transition".

CARRIED

7. OTHER BUSINESS

No items presented.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

9. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee close its regular meeting scheduled for May 13, 2021 pursuant to the *Community Charter* provisions, Section 90 (1) (e) and (i) as follows:

“90 (1) A part of the meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the board or committee considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district,” and

(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.”

CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Water Committee adjourn its regular meeting of April 15, 2021.

CARRIED

(Time: 9:46 a.m.)

Lauren Cichon,
Legislative Services Coordinator

Malcolm Brodie, Chair