

**GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD) Electoral Area Committee held at 8:47 a.m. on Thursday, June 7, 2012, at 12007 Harris Road, City of Pitt Meadows, British Columbia.

PRESENT:

Chair, Director Maria Harris, Electoral Area A
 Director Brenda Broughton, Lions Bay
 Director Heather Deal, Vancouver (arrived at 9:07 a.m.)
 Director Mae Reid, Coquitlam
 Director Deb Walters, Pitt Meadows

ABSENT:

Vice Chair, Director Tim Stevenson, Vancouver
 Director Marvin Hunt, Surrey

STAFF:

Delia Laglagaron, Interim Commissioner/Interim Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Administrative Officer's Department
 Klara Kutakova, Assistant to Regional Committees, Board Secretariat and Corporate Information Department

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**1.1 June 7, 2012 Regular Meeting Agenda****It was MOVED and SECONDED**

That the Electoral Area Committee:

- a) amend the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for June 7, 2012 by:
 - i. withdrawing item 5.2 Repeal of Greater Vancouver Regional District Bylaw No. 47, 1972;
 - ii. adding item 6.1 Annexation Impact Study – Funding Request;
 - iii. adding item 6.2 Annexation Impact Study; and
- b) adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**2.1 April 5, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes****It was MOVED and SECONDED**

That the Electoral Area Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held April 5, 2012 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

4. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

5. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

5.1 UBC Liquor Licence Application – Extension of Hours at the Gallery Lounge

Report dated May 2, 2012 from Jason Smith, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, providing additional information about an application to change the liquor licence for the Gallery Lounge at UBC.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board support the application by the UBC Alma Mater Society to change the opening hours of operation at the Gallery Lounge to 9:00 a.m., two hours earlier than the current opening time of 11:00 a.m.

CARRIED

5.2 Repeal of Greater Vancouver Regional District Bylaw No. 47, 1972

Pursuant to Section 1 Adoption of the Agenda, this item was withdrawn.

5.3 Bylaw Contravention Notice on Property Title – Nilsson – Roll # 743.10047.079

Report dated May 2, 2012 from Tom Pearce, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, addressing non-compliance with the Greater Vancouver Regional District Building Bylaw No. 1043, 2006 on Block C, District Lot 7059, Group 1 NWD, Indian Arm, in Electoral Area 'A'.

Members were informed about the following:

- frequent use of the notice on property title mechanism used by municipalities
- both property owners were notified that the matter will be discussed at the June 7, 2012 Electoral Area Committee meeting
- the process of putting the notice on property title can be stopped or the notice can be removed from the title at any time during the process

Members were informed that Mr. Nilsson's request be heard as a delegation via teleconference was declined as it did not meet the provisions of the Procedure Bylaw pertaining to delegations at committee.

Members spoke in favour of hearing Mr. Nilsson.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee, pursuant to Section 1.4 of the Procedure Bylaw, suspend at its June 7, 2012 meeting the rules outlined in Part 13 pertaining to accepting and hearing late delegations at Committees.

CARRIED

Staff was requested to arrange a teleconference call with Mr. Nilsson.

Agenda Varied

The order of the agenda was varied to consider Items 5.4 and onward at this point.

5.4 Bylaw Contravention Notice on Property Title – Reith – Roll # 743.10047.163

Report dated May 15, 2012 from Tom Pearce, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, addressing non-compliance with the Greater Vancouver Regional District Building Bylaw No 1043, 2006 on District Lot 7065, Group 1, Indian Arm, in Electoral Area 'A'.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board direct the designated corporate officer to file a notice in the land title office on the following property as being in non-compliance of GVRD Building Bylaw No. 1043, 2006: District Lot 7065, Group 1, Indian Arm; roll #743.10047.163.

CARRIED

5.5 Barnston Island Background Report

Report dated May 2, 2012 from Tom Pearce, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, providing background information and context for the Barnston Island site visit June 7, 2012.

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to post the report dated May 2, 2012, titled "Barnston Island Background Report" on the Electoral Area A website.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee receive for information the report dated May 2, 2012, titled "Barnston Island Background Report".

CARRIED

5.6 Manager's Report

Report dated May 21, 2012 from Gaëtan Royer, Manager, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, providing an update on the following:

- Electoral Area Committee 2012 workplan
- Greater Vancouver Water District wholesale water rates to University Endowment Lands
- Montizambert Wynd water service and West Vancouver boundary extension
- Barnston Island Diking District proposed transfer update
- Electoral Area A website

9:07 a.m. Director Deal arrived at the meeting.

Comments were provided on:

- Christina De Marco's contribution to the organization
- work of interim staff
- replacement and re-structure opportunities to the vacated position

Regarding the Committee's workplan, members provided the following comments:

- ensure that the issue of the GVWD wholesale water rates to University Endowment Lands is not lost
- report on the Broadway corridor transit alternatives in the context of UBC's evolving role

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to incorporate in the report on Broadway corridor transit alternatives the evolving role of UBC as economic driver in the region.

Agenda Order Resumed

The order of the agenda resumed with Item 5.3 being before the Committee.

5.3 Bylaw Contravention Notice on Property Title – Nilsson – Roll # 743.10047.079 (Continued)

The Committee proceeded with a teleconference call with Mr. Nilsson, owner of the subject property.

Mr. Nilsson spoke to the Committee about work performed on the house; informed the Committee that drywall replacements were consulted with an architect, who is prepared to provide a report on work that has been done that is not currently visible; and expressed his willingness to work with staff and the building inspector to rectify the situation. Mr. Nilsson expressed concern that geotechnical and set back requirements/changes would be financially prohibitive for his family.

In ensuing discussion:

- members requested clarification of the owner's understanding of the implications of the notice
- staff confirmed that they will lift the notice as soon as the owner complies with the requirements, especially as related to safety
- staff elaborated on the general objective of the mechanism (notice on property title)
- staff agreed to provide Mr. Nilsson with a list of geotechnical firms
- staff agreed to work closely with Mr. Nilsson to resolve the issue
- members inquired about a possibility to apply for a variance

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board direct the designated corporate officer to file a notice in the land title office on the following property as being in non-compliance of Greater Vancouver Regional District Building Bylaw No. 1043, 2006: Block C, District Lot 7059, Group 1 NWD, Indian Arm (Roll # 743.10047.079).

CARRIED

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to post on the Electoral Area A website information pertaining to the Board of Variance application process.

5.4 Bylaw Contravention Notice on Property Title – Reith – Roll # 743.10047.163

This item was previously considered.

5.5 Barnston Island Background Report

This item was previously considered.

5.6 Manager’s Report (Continued)

Members continued discussion about the following:

- Broadway corridor transit alternatives
- UBC governance. Members were informed that the matter falls under the purview of the Intergovernmental and Administration Committee. The Chair inquired about the means of Electoral Area A Director and residents’ involvement/input to the matter.

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to circulate to Committee members the Board report pertaining to UBC governance changes implemented in 2010.

In regards to the workplan, staff was requested to:

- under the UBC Governance, include the issue of the GVWD wholesale water rates to University Endowment Lands on the workplan
- include the information sharing aspect of the UBC governance issue on the 2013 Committee’s workplan
- mark the bullet “Report on communication resources that are available on the Electoral Area A website” as “in progress”, not “completed”; and
- correct the status of the bullet “Outline a communication plan for Electoral Area A” by marking it “incomplete”

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to elaborate on actions taken by the City of Surrey to prepare for the expected dike transfer.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee receive for information the report dated May 21, 2012, titled “Manager’s Report”.

CARRIED

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

It was MOVED and SECONDED

- 6.1 Annexation Impact Study – Funding Request
Correspondence dated May 16, 2012 from Patrick Nicol, Board Chair, Regional District of North Okanagan, to Greg Moore, Board Chair, Metro Vancouver, pertaining to funding request for the Annexation Impact Study; and
- 6.2 Annexation Impact Study.
Correspondence dated May 10, 2012 from Randy Murray, Thompson-Nicola Regional District, to Board of Directors, North Okanagan Regional District, pertaining to the Annexation Impact study.

CARRIED

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Committee requested that participation of Committee/Board members and/or members of the public via teleconference at meetings be considered.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee direct staff to review the Procedure Bylaw provisions pertaining to the use of teleconference at meetings.

CARRIED

8. **RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING**

No items presented.

9. **ADJOURNMENT/TERMINATION**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee conclude its regular meeting of June 7, 2012.

CARRIED

(Time: 9:47 a.m.)

Klara Kutakova,
Assistant to Regional Committees

Maria Harris, Chair