

**MINUTES**  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
SHAW AUDITORIUM, VANCOUVER ISLAND CONFERENCE CENTRE,  
80 COMMERCIAL STREET, NANAIMO, BC  
MONDAY, 2021-JAN-18, AT 4:30 P.M.

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Present: Mayor L. Krog, Chair  
Councillor S. D. Armstrong  
Councillor D. Bonner  
Councillor T. Brown  
Councillor B. Geselbracht  
Councillor E. Hemmens  
Councillor Z. Maartman  
Councillor I. W. Thorpe  
Councillor J. Turley (joined electronically)

Staff: J. Rudolph, Chief Administrative Officer  
S. Legin, General Manager, Corporate Services  
D. Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services  
R. Harding, General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture  
B. Sims, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works  
F. Farrokhi, Manager, Communications  
T. Loewen, Communications and Marketing Specialist  
M. Desrochers, Client Support Specialist  
S. Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services  
K. Gerard, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. PROCEDURAL MOTION TO PROCEED IN CAMERA:

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be closed to the public in order to deal with agenda items under the *Community Charter*:

- (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for a municipal award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the municipality on condition of anonymity;
- (c) labour relations or other employee relations; and,
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

The motion carried unanimously.

Council moved In Camera at 4:31 p.m.  
Council moved out of In Camera at 6:19 p.m.

Council recessed the Open Meeting 6:19 p.m.  
Council reconvened the Open Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

3. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Add Agenda Item 14(b) - Councillor Hemmens Notice of Motion re: Memorandum of Understanding between Island Health and BC Housing and Timeline for the Implementation of a Situation Table.
- (b) Add Agenda Item 15(b) – Correspondence dated 2021-JAN-13, from Geoff Bowlby, Director General, Census Management Office, Statistics Canada, re: 2021 Census of Population.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda, as amended, be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the following Minutes be adopted as circulated:

- Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held in the Shaw Auditorium, Vancouver Island Conference Centre, 80 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Monday, 2020-DEC-14, at 1:00 p.m.
- Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held in the Shaw Auditorium, Vancouver Island Conference Centre, 80 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Monday, 2020-DEC-21, at 4:30 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Krog spoke regarding:

- Beban Kinsmen Participark is in the planning stage for improvements, which will enhance the health of the forest ecosystem and increase usability of the park. The park is a natural forest, which covers 23 acres and includes an extensive trail network
- The new solid waste collection schedules come into effect this week. Routes are being modified to increase efficiency and limit collection delays. Transitions are taking place over the next two weeks and will include some weekend collections days. Staff are requesting that residents read their new schedules carefully as some new routes do not follow the regular patterns of collection

- Councillor Turley's wife Marianne Turley passed away on January 7<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Krog advised that Marianne's family fled increasing oppression in Europe and moved to Canada to make a new life. Marianne acquired a university degree from the University of British Columbia and met her future husband Jim Turley there. She was an example and role model to young women that they can achieve their goals and "have it all". Jim and Marianne moved to Nanaimo and become involved in the family florist business, Turley's Florist, which they were partners in for 43 years. They had three children, a thriving business and Marianne was very active in the community through volunteer work and serving on many boards such as the Vancouver Island Symphony, where her presence will be hard to replace. Charitable donations can be made, in her memory, to the Nanaimo Hospital Foundation for delivery of cancer services and to the Vancouver Island Symphony Foundation

7. COMMITTEE MINUTES:

The following Committee Minutes were received:

- Minutes of the Special District 68 Sports Field and Recreation Committee Meeting held in the Boardroom, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Thursday, 2020-OCT-15, at 11:02 a.m.
- Minutes of the Board of Variance Meeting held in the Boardroom, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Thursday, 2020-NOV-19, at 5:30 p.m.
- Minutes of the Board of Variance Meeting held in the Boardroom, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Thursday, 2020-DEC-17, at 4:00 p.m.

8. REPORTS:

(a) BC Ferries Electrification Project Letter of Support

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services.

It was moved and seconded that Council endorse the Letter of Support being forwarded to BC Ferries for the BC Ferries Electrification Project. The motion carried unanimously.

(b) Appointment of Bylaw Enforcement Officer

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services.

It was moved and seconded that Council appoint Garry McHady as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer to enforce the provisions of City of Nanaimo "Licencing and Control of Animals Bylaw 1995 No. 4923" and "Parks, Recreation and Culture Regulation Bylaw 2008 No. 7073". The motion carried unanimously.

- (c) Development Permit Application No. DP1142 – 135, 139, 147, 151 Haliburton Street and 940 Milton Street

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services.

It was moved and seconded that Council issue Development Permit No. DP1142 at 135, 139, 147, 151 Haliburton Street and 940 Milton Street with the following variances:

- to increase the maximum allowable building height from 14.0m to 15.8m; and
- to reduce the minimum front yard setback for an underground parking structure from 1.80m to 0.75m.

The motion carried unanimously.

9. BYLAWS:

- (a) “Financial Plan Bylaw 2020 No. 7320”

It was moved and seconded that “Financial Plan Bylaw 2020 No. 7320” (To confirm and adopt the 2021 – 2025 Financial Plan) be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

10. NOTICE OF MOTION:

- (a) Councillor Armstrong - Notice of Motion re: Reduction in Business Licence Fees for Liquor Primary Establishments

Councillor Armstrong advised that she would be bringing forward the following notice of motion for consideration at the 2020-FEB-01 Regular Council Meeting:

That Council direct Staff to reduce the 2021 business licence fee for liquor primary establishments from \$1,100 to \$165.

- (b) Councillor Hemmens Notice of Motion re: Memorandum of Understanding between Island Health and BC Housing and Timeline for the Implementation of a Situation Table

Councillor Hemmens advised that she would be bringing forward the following notice of motion for consideration at the 2020-FEB-01 Regular Council Meeting:

That Council direct Staff to report back to Council with an update regarding the following:

1. Memorandum of Understanding between Island Health and BC Housing related to the Navigation Centre; and,
2. Timeline of implementing a provincially funded Situation Table in the City of Nanaimo.

11. OTHER BUSINESS:

- (a) Correspondence dated 2020-DEC-21, from Myra Thomson re: Homeless Population Displaced from Wesley Street Encampment

It was moved and seconded that Council receive the Correspondence dated 2020-DEC-21, from Myra Thomson regarding Homeless Population Displaced from Wesley Street Encampment and direct the correspondence to the Health and Housing Task Force for information. The motion carried unanimously.

- (b) Correspondence dated 2021-JAN-13, from Geoff Bowlby, Director General, Census Management Office, Statistics Canada, re: 2021 Census of Population

It was moved and seconded that the Council of the City of Nanaimo support the 2021 Census, and encourages all residents to complete their census questionnaire online at [www.census.gc.ca](http://www.census.gc.ca). Accurate and complete census data support programs and services that benefit our community. The motion carried unanimously.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 7:23 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

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CHAIR

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CORPORATE OFFICER