

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NANAIMO
Mt Benson Ballroom A & B, Vancouver Island Conference Centre,
80 Commercial Street, Nanaimo BC
MONDAY, 2022-NOV-07, AT 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor L. Krog, Chair
Councillor S. Armstrong
Councillor T. Brown
Councillor H. Eastmure
Councillor B. Geselbracht
Councillor E. Hemmens
Councillor P. Manly
Councillor J. Perrino
Councillor I. Thorpe

Others: Outgoing Councillor Bonner
Outgoing Councillor Maartman
Outgoing Councillor Turley

Staff: J. Rudolph, Chief Administrative Officer
D. Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services/Deputy Chief
Administrative Officer
R. Harding, General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture
J. Van Horne, Director, Human Resources
Supt. L. Fletcher, Nanaimo Detachment RCMP
T. Doyle, Fire Chief
J. Le Masurier, Deputy Fire Chief, Administration
L. Bhopalsingh, Director, Community Development
B. Corsan, Director, Corporate and Business Development
J. Elliot, Director, Public Works
J. Holm, Director, Development Approvals
L. Mercer, Director, Finance
C. Porter, Captain, Fire Rescue
V. Bowering, Executive Assistant, CAO's Office
D. Johnstone, Communications & Digital Content Specialist
D. Stennes, Administrative Assistant to Mayor and Council
S. Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services
N. Sponaugle, Legislative Communications Clerk
S. Snelgrove, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF COUNCIL TO ORDER:

Sheila Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services and Master of Ceremonies, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Timothy Von Boetticher performed O Canada.

Snuneymuxw First Nation Elder Lolly Good provided a blessing and invited the audience to the front of the ballroom to join her in a song.

Kamal Parmar, Poet Laureate, recited an original poem.

Welcoming remarks were provided by MP Lisa Marie Barron and MLA Doug Routley.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

(a) Swearing in 2022-2026 City Council by Honourable Judge Sheila Archer

Honourable Sheila Archer administered the Oaths of Office for the 2022-2026 Nanaimo City Council.

Mayor Krog assumed the Chair from Sheila Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services.

(b) Presentation of Gifts to Outgoing Council

Mayor Krog presented gifts to outgoing Councillors Bonner, Maartman, and Turley.

3. MAYOR'S REPORT:

(a) His Worship, Mayor Krog, gave his Inaugural Address thanking friends and supporters and recognized those in the audience from partner jurisdictions and organizations. He extended thanks to the Council that has served for the last four years and noted they restored good governance and confidence in the City. He thanked Staff and noted the incredible interest in the City shown through building permit increases. He advised residents and Council have a lot to look forward to and is optimistic the new Premier will take seriously the issues on the minds of most voters in Nanaimo including the mental health crisis and criminal behaviour that flows from drug addiction.

4. ADMINISTRATION:

(a) 2022 Official Election Results

Sheila Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services, provided Council with the official 2022 General Local Election results.

(b) Regional District of Nanaimo Director Appointments

Introduced by Sheila Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services.

It was moved and seconded that Council:

1. Appoint the eight Council members with the highest number of votes at the municipal election as Municipal Directors to the Regional District of Nanaimo Board (Mayor Krog, Councillors Manly, Armstrong, Geselbracht, Thorpe, Hemmens, Perrino and Brown) and appoint the remaining Council member (Councillor Eastmure) as the Alternate Municipal Director for the period 2022-NOV-07 to 2026-NOV-03 to coincide with the Council term; and,
2. Assign 5 votes to each Municipal Director.

The motion carried unanimously.

(c) 2023 Vancouver Island Regional Library Board Appointments

Introduced by Sheila Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services.

It was moved and seconded that Council appoint Councillor Hemmens as a trustee to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board and Councillor Eastmure as an alternate for the period January 1 to December 31, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 8:21 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CORPORATE OFFICER