



# Council Corner

for the May 27, 2021 regular meeting

Mayor Brian Wiese ♦ Councillor R. Filmer ♦ Councillor S. Harrison ♦ Councillor A. Skipsey ♦ Councillor T. Westbrook

## Oath of Office

- ♦ The Corporate Administrator administered the Oath of Office to **Councillor-Elect Anne Skipsey**.
- ♦ Councillor Skipsey gave a brief introduction, commenting that she is honoured to serve the community and work together with Council. Councillor Skipsey thanked the people of Qualicum Beach and stated she is excited to serve on Council over the next 17 months.

## Announcement of In Camera Meeting Motions

### April 23, 2021 In Camera Meeting

- ♦ THAT Council authorizes staff to accept the offer from Bayshore Construction to purchase Lot B West Ridge Way (proposed Lot B of proposed subdivision Plan of Lot 23, District Lot 78, Newcastle District, Plan EPP28954) for \$345,000 plus GST.
- ♦ THAT Council authorizes staff to accept the offer from Bayshore Construction to purchase Lot C Claymore Road (proposed Lot C of proposed subdivision Plan of Lot 23, District Lot 78, Newcastle District, Plan EPP28954) for \$335,000 plus GST.

## Delegations

- ♦ Ken Peters, **Arrowsmith Search and Rescue (ASAR)**, appeared before Council to provide an update on Search and Rescue activities.
- ♦ Council will provide a **Letter of Support** for ASAR to the Regional District of Nanaimo.
- ♦ Council noted that they favourably support the reimbursement of the \$31,500 for building permit fees for the new Arrowsmith Search and Rescue Operations Centre at the Qualicum Beach Airport, subject to receipt of a staff report on the matter at the June 16, 2021 Regular Council meeting.

## Council Business

- ♦ Council instructed staff to consider the land within the Agricultural Land Reserve behind the Fire Hall for the temporary, COVID-19 response housing site for a **dry recovery community** of up to 15 housing units.
- ♦ Staff were directed to bring back the report on encroachments to Council and to hold off on any **encroachment charges** until Council has a chance to review the policy by September, 2021. Staff were directed to notify those homeowners impacted by encroachments that Council will be reviewing the policy in September and further information will be made available shortly thereafter.
- ♦ The Town of Qualicum Beach proclaimed the month of **June as PRIDE month**; to be celebrated by raising the PRIDE flag on June 1st, on the municipal flag pole at Town Hall, underneath the Town crested flag.
- ♦ The following motion was referred back to the Select Committee on Parks and Recreation for action:
  - THAT the Select Committee on Parks and Recreation be tasked to draft a policy on field and trail closures.
- ♦ Signs **prohibiting off-leash dog walking** in the forest shall be placed at each of the seven entrances to the **Heritage Forest**, and two additional signs be placed in the grassy area of the Heritage Forest.
- ♦ Staff were directed to prepare a grant application for implementing a significant portion of the **Waterfront Master Plan** in winter 2022.
- ♦ Staff were directed to present a report on the Town's participation with the **Kw'umut Lelum Step Up! Program** for indigenous youth work placements.
- ♦ Council directed staff to issue a Development Permit for the **Railway Street and Village Way Affordable Housing Development**, subject to a reduction of height to a maximum of four stories on any side of the proposed development.

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**Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 10:00 am**



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- ♦ Council directed staff to request proposals from an independent qualified illumination engineer to conduct a review of lighting complaints received as a result of the installation of the 4000k/75 W LED lighting installed by BC Hydro.
- ♦ Council awarded the contract for the **Airport Row B Sanitary Sewer and Storm Drain Extension** to Edgett Excavating Ltd. in the amount of \$185,372.25.
- ♦ Council awarded the contract for the **Hemsworth Booster Pump Station Upgrade** to Edgett Excavating Ltd. in the amount of \$177,975.00.

## Bylaws

- ♦ Town of Qualicum Beach **Emergency Program Regulatory Bylaw No. 761, 2021** was adopted.

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