

Meeting Minutes

Capital Regional District Board

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

1:10 PM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard Street
Victoria, BC

PRESENT

DIRECTORS: C. Plant (Chair), M. Little (Vice Chair), M. Alto, J. Bateman (for M. Tait), P. Brent, S. Brice, J. Brownoff, J. Caradonna, C. Coleman, Z. de Vries, B. Desjardins, S. Goodmanson, G. Holman, P. Jones, D. Kobayashi, C. McNeil-Smith, K. Murdoch, D. Murdock, S. Riddell (for R. Windsor), L. Szpak, D. Thompson, S. Tobias, A. Wickheim, K. Williams

STAFF: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; N. Chan, Chief Financial Officer; A. Fraser, General Manager, Integrated Water Services; L. Jones, General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Environmental Services; K. Lorette, General Manager, Planning and Protective Services; K. Morley, General Manager, Corporate Services; N. Elliot, Manager Climate Action Programs; G. Harris, Senior Manager, Environmental Protection; M. MacIntyre, Senior Manager, Regional Parks; S. May, Senior Manager Facilities Mgt. and Eng. Services; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; J. Dorman, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Guest(s): K. Braid, ISPOS (EP); K. Hamilton, Tavola Strategy Group (EP); D. Liddy, GHD (EP)

Regrets: Directors M. Tait, R. Windsor

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 pm.

1. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A Territorial Acknowledgement was provided in the preceding meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1. [24-443](#) Minutes of the April 10, 2024 Capital Regional District Board Meeting

MOVED by Director de Vries, **SECONDED** by Director Alto,
That the minutes of the Capital Regional District Board meeting of April 10, 2024
be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Today we will have a significant discussion about biosolids and our need to submit a long-term plan to the Province by June 18, 2024. I am going to encourage us to continue that comradery we have been able to show as a board and respect the diversity of the opinions that exist on this very important topic. On May 24, 2024 we will be hosting a Transportation Workshop that will greatly influence the work we will be doing as a board and I hope that every jurisdiction can have representation. If you are unable to attend please send your alternate, staff are also welcome to attend. It will be a very unfortunate if we do not have a fulsome showing of the regions local government at this workshop. I'd like to provide a personal update; as many of you know, I have received a nomination to run in the next federal election in October 2025. I would like to inform the board and the public that it is my intention to continue to serve as an elected official until the writ is dropped, at which time, I would seek a leave of absence. I have already stated that I will not be seeking opportunity to serve as board chair in November. Directors and public are welcome to discuss this with me, if they wish. I have discussed this matter with Vice Chair Little and CRD staff and there is a general consensus that I do not need to step down at this time.

5. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

5.1. Presentations

There were no presentations.

5.2. Delegations

**MOVED by Director McNeil-Smith, SECONDED by Director Szpak,
That a late delegation, Sgt. Scott Norris, be permitted to speak.
CARRIED**

5.2.1. [24-480](#) Delegation - Andrea Miller; Resident of View Royal: Re: 6.13. Motion with Notice: Policy to Limit Bear Attractants (Director Tobias)

A. Miller spoke to Item 6.13.

5.2.2. [24-481](#) Delegation - Melanie Austin; Resident of View Royal: Re: 6.13. Motion with Notice: Policy to Limit Bear Attractants (Director Tobias)

M. Austin spoke to Item 6.13.

5.2.3. [24-482](#) Delegation - Dr. Philippe Lucas; Representing Biosolid Free BC: Re: Agenda Item: 7.2. Long-Term Biosolids Management Strategy

P. Lucas spoke to Item 7.2.

- 5.2.4. [24-485](#) Delegation - Jonathan O'Riordan; Mt. Work Coalition: Re: Agenda Item: 7.2. Long-Term Biosolids Management Strategy
J. O'Riordan spoke to Item 7.2.
- 5.2.5. [24-490](#) Delegation - Mollie Cameron; Representing Wild Wise: Re: Agenda Item: 6.13. Motion with Notice: Policy to Limit Bear Attractants (Director Tobias)
M. Cameron spoke to Item 6.13.
- 5.2.6. [24-493](#) Delegation - Sgt. Scott Norris; Representing BC Conservation Officer Services: Re: Agenda Item: 6.13. Motion with Notice: Policy to Limit Bear Attractants (Director Tobias)
Sgt. S. Norris spoke to Item 6.13.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

**MOVED by Director Brent, SECONDED by Director Szpak,
That consent agenda items 6.1. through 6.16. be approved.
CARRIED**

- 6.1. [24-450](#) Governance Study of Magic Lake Estates, North Pender Island
This report was received for information.
- 6.2. [24-398](#) Solid Waste Management Plan - 2023 Progress Report
This report was received for information.
- 6.3. [24-396](#) Amendment to Environmental Resource Management Capital Plan
**1. That an advancement of \$500K from the 2025 Aggregate capital budget to the 2024 capital budget be approved; and
2. That the budget for the 2024 capital project Kitchen Scraps Transfer Station Relocation be increased by \$800K to ensure a contract can be awarded at the completion of the procurement process.
CARRIED**
- 6.4. [24-278](#) Capital Regional District 2023 Audit Findings Report and Statement of Financial Information
**That the Capital Regional District 2023 Statement of Financial Information be approved.
CARRIED**
- 6.5. [24-307](#) Capital Regional District External Grants Update
This report was received for information.
- 6.6. [24-288](#) Capital Regional District External Grants 2023 Annual Report
This report was received for information.

- 6.7. [24-314](#) Royal and McPherson Theatre Services Advisory Committee Terms of Reference
That the 2024 Royal & McPherson Theatres Advisory Committee Terms of Reference attached at Appendix A be approved.
CARRIED
- 6.8. [24-355](#) First Nations Relations Operational Update
This report was received for information.
- 6.9. [24-354](#) Government-to-Government Relationship Building Initiative Summary Report
That staff incorporate the Government-to-Government Relationship Building Summary Report themes and recommendations into the development of a Reconciliation Action Plan.
CARRIED
- 6.10. [24-440](#) Juan de Fuca Water Distribution 2024 Capital Plan Amendment
Approve amending the 2024 Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Five Year Capital plan to reallocate funding for projects 16-05, 20-03, 21-02, 24-02 and 24-03 as outlined in Table 1 of the staff report and reflected in the updated Capital Plan shown in Appendix A.
CARRIED
- 6.11. [24-420](#) Regional Parks and Trails - 2023 Strategic Plan Progress Report
This report was received for information.
- 6.12. [24-404](#) Regional Parks and Trails - Compliance and Enforcement Program
That staff bring a report and recommendation to the Regional Parks Committee on formalizing an indigenous guardian program in parks at the governance level.
CARRIED
- 6.13. [24-368](#) Motion with Notice: Policy to Limit Bear Attractants (Director Tobias)
That the CRD Staff work with municipalities to develop a consistent policy and bylaw to limit attractants to prevent bear - human interaction toward an outcome of co-existence particularly in those areas frequently visited by bears.
CARRIED
- 6.14. [24-401](#) Transportation Governance Update
This report was received for information.
- 6.15. [24-402](#) Mass Transit Modelling and Climate Impacts
This report was received for information.

- 6.16. [24-427](#) Notice of Motion: BC Transit Bi-Annual Updates on Initiatives and Services (Director Plant)

That the CRD invite BC Transit representatives to present bi-annually (twice a year) to the Transportation Committee on regional and subregional initiatives and services.

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

MOVED by Director Little, **SECONDED** by Director Brownoff,
That the meeting be closed for Intergovernmental Negotiations in accordance with Section 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed and moved to the closed session at 1:30 pm.

The Capital Regional District Board rose from the closed session at 1:47 pm without report and the meeting reconvened.

- 7.1. [24-464](#) Biosolids Monthly Update - May

L. Jones spoke to Item 7.1.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- permit approval
- potential use of other facilities to process biosolids
- procurement process and contractor selection
- contractor operational update

Motion Arising:

MOVED by Director Desjardins, **SECONDED** by Director Caradonna,
That the RFP, contract and information on Lafarge and any other facilities come to the Environmental Services Committee for further understanding and review, and that this report be provided in camera if needed.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- off site thermal options
- the long-term strategy and future procurements

MOVED by Director Szpak, **SECONDED** by Director Alto,
That this item be tabled until Item 7.2. is dealt with.

CARRIED

7.2. [24-369](#) Long-Term Biosolids Management Strategy

T. Robbins and L. Jones spoke to Item 7.2.

K. Hamilton and K. Braid provided PowerPoint presentations.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- financial estimates of the various long-term options
- implications of site specific land application and impact on ground water sources
- variations in survey delivery methods and final results
- First Nations engagement and feedback
- testing of biosolids for contaminants

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Murdoch,
That the CRD Board:**

1. Endorse the following portfolio of options in alignment with the Long-Term Biosolids Management Strategy (prepared by GHD, April 2024), utilizing each option under a prioritization structure, as follows:

(a) Tier 1: Advanced thermal option: Constitutes the preferred long-term solution and will be pursued concurrently with options in other tiers. Current projects include:

(i) Develop a demonstration facility for advanced thermal processing, as planned. Outcomes from the demonstration project will serve as the basis for a scaled, long-term solution.

(b) Tier 2: Out-of-region compliance options: Constitute measures that the CRD will utilize to ensure regulatory compliance is continuously achieved while the Tier 1 thermal processing option is being implemented and when options in Tier 1 are unable to process the totality of biosolids produced in the region. These are (in priority order):

(i) Industrial land reclamation such as mine and quarry sites (acknowledging that some reclaimed sites may eventually have a pasture land end use)

(ii) Forest fertilization

(iii) Production of biosolids growing medium and/or feedstock in soil production

(iv) Partnerships with established biosolids programs

(v) Continue alternative fuel combustion in the cement manufacturing facility in Richmond, BC. Prioritize this option when available.

(c) Tier 3: In-region contingency options: Constitute contingency options to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. The CRD would implement Tier 3 options on a contingency basis, only when options within the Tier 2 portfolio are unavailable. These include (in priority order):

(i) Industrial land reclamation such as mine and quarry sites (acknowledging that some reclaimed sites may eventually have a pasture land end use)

(ii) Forest fertilization

(iii) Maintain the option of biosolids application in engineered cover systems at Hartland Landfill to act as an emergency support option; subject to space availability and cover needs of the Landfill;

2. Direct staff to continue to explore biosolids beneficial use opportunities with

those First Nations that express interest both in-region and out-of-region, and to address any concerns First Nations may have regarding the beneficial use options;

3. Refer the Draft Long-Term Biosolids Management Strategy and portfolio of options to the TCAC for review and comment;

4. Post the Draft Long-Term Biosolids Management Strategy and portfolio of options on the CRD webpage for 21 days (May 13-June 3) for First Nations and public review and comment; and

5. Direct staff to bring back the comments received during the 21-day posting period from the TCAC, First Nations and public, along with a final Long-Term Biosolids Management Strategy and portfolio of options for the Board's consideration and approval at the June 12, 2024 Board meeting, for submission to the Province by June 18, 2024.

MOVED by Director Caradonna, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,

That the main motion be amended by adding the following to Tier 2:

(vi) Develop partnerships with additional industrial partners interested in combustion.

MOVED by Director de Vries, **SECONDED** by Director Szpak,

That the amendment be amended by striking the word "Develop" and replacing it with the word "Explore".

CARRIED

Opposed: Alto, Caradonna, Desjardins, Goodmanson, Jones, Kobayashi, Little, Thompson, Tobias, Williams

The question was call on the amendment:

That the main motion be amended by adding the following to Tier 2:

(vi) Explore partnerships with additional industrial partners interested in combustion.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Caradonna, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,

That the main motion be amended to add the words "and only after receiving explicit consent from the Board and any affected First Nations, should the need for Tier 3 arise"after the word "unavailable" to c) Tier 3.

MOVED by Director de Vries, **SECONDED** by Director Coleman,

That the amendment be amended by striking the words "the Board and".

Discussion ensued regarding:

- impact of removing Board consent related to implementation of Tier 3
- participant consent on use of biosolids
- rationale for adding in-region land application as options

The question was called on the amendment to the amendment:

That the amendment be amended by striking the words "the Board and".

DEFEATED

Opposed: Alto, Brent, Brice, Bateman, Caradonna, Desjardins, Goodmanson, Holman, Jones, Kobayashi, Little, Szpak, Thompson, Tobias, Wickheim, Williams

**MOVED by Director Brent, SECONDED by Alternate Director Bateman,
That the amendment be amended by adding the words “consulting and
engaging with” after the words “Board and”.**

Director Jones left the meeting at 4:00 pm.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- appropriateness and method of soliciting consent from First Nations
- reconciliation policy

Director Kobayashi left the meeting at 4:02 pm.

**MOVED by Director de Vries, SECONDED by Director McNeil-Smith,
That the meeting be extended past the 3 hour scheduled time.
CARRIED**

The question was called on the amendment to the amendment:

**That the amendment be amended by adding the words “consulting and
engaging with” after the words “Board and”.**

CARRIED

**Opposed: Alto, Bateman, Caradonna, Desjardins, Holman, Riddell, Tobias,
Thompson, Williams**

**MOVED by Alternate Director Bateman, SECONDED by Director Tobias,
That the amendment be amended by adding the words “and local governments”
after the words “Board and”.**

Discussion ensued regarding:

- impact on jurisdictions outside the core participants
- requirements of jurisdictional consent under Provincial regulations

The question was called on the amendment to the amendment:

**That the amendment be amended by adding the words “and local governments”
after the words “Board and”.**

DEFEATED

**Opposed: Alto, Bateman, Brent, Brice, Brownoff, Caradonna, Coleman, de Vries,
Desjardins, Goodmanson, Holman, Little, McNeil-Smith, Murdoch, Murdock,
Plant, Riddell, Szpak, Thompson, Wickheim**

The question was called on the amendment as amended:

**That the main motion be amended to add the words "and only after receiving
explicit consent from the Board and consulting and engaging with any affected
First Nations, should the need for Tier 3 arise" after the word “unavailable” to c)
Tier 3.**

CARRIED

Opposed: Wickheim

MOVED by Director Desjardins Vries, SECONDED by Director Caradonna,

That the main motion be amended to add the words “and biocell” after the words “engineered cover systems” to Tier 3, sub-section iii).

CARRIED

The question was called on the main motion as amended:

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(vi) Explore partnerships with additional industrial partners interested in combustion.

(c) Tier 3: In-region contingency options: Constitute contingency options to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. The CRD would implement Tier 3 options on a contingency basis, only when options within the Tier 2 portfolio are unavailable, and only after receiving explicit consent from the Board and consulting and engaging with any affected First Nations, should the need for Tier 3 arise.

These include (in priority order):

(i) Industrial land reclamation such as mine and quarry sites (acknowledging that some reclaimed sites may eventually have a pasture land end use)

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(iii) Maintain the option of biosolids application in engineered cover systems and biocell at Hartland Landfill to act as an emergency support option; subject to space availability and cover needs of the Landfill;

2. Direct staff to continue to explore biosolids beneficial use opportunities with those First Nations that express interest both in-region and out-of-region, and to address any concerns First Nations may have regarding the beneficial use options;

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CARRIED

Opposed: Alto, Desjardins

7.1. [24-464](#) Biosolids Monthly Update - May

Item 7.1. was taken from the table and the question on the motion arising was called:

That the RFP, contract and information on Lafarge and any other facilities come to the Environmental Services Committee for further understanding and review, and that this report be provided in camera if needed.

CARRIED

Opposed: Szpak

Director Tobias left the meeting at 4:39 pm.

Director Murdock left the meeting at 4:40 pm.

7.3. [24-452](#) Capital Region Housing Corporation Annual General Meeting

MOVED by Director de Vries, **SECONDED** by Director Murdoch,
That the unanimous shareholder's resolution attached as Appendix A to the Capital Region Housing Corporation Annual General Meeting report be approved, and the Chair and Corporate Officer execute it on behalf of the Capital Regional District.

CARRIED

7.4. [24-463](#) Capital Regional District 2023 Annual Report

This report was received for information.

8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Finance Committee

8.1. [24-286](#) 2025 Service and Financial Planning Guidelines

MOVED by Director Brice, **SECONDED** by Director Coleman,
That the service and financial planning guidelines be approved and that staff be directed to prepare the draft financial plan review based on the timeline presented.

CARRIED

- 8.2. [24-433](#) Bylaw No. 4614: 2024 to 2028 Financial Plan Bylaw, 2024, Amendment No. 1, 2024

MOVED by Director Brice, **SECONDED** by Director Little,
1. That Bylaw No. 4614, “2024 to 2028 Financial Plan Bylaw, 2024, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2024”, be introduced and read a first, second, and third time; and
CARRIED

MOVED by Director Brice, **SECONDED** by Director Little,
2. That Bylaw No. 4614 be adopted.
CARRIED

Environmental Services Committee

- 8.3. [24-382](#) Climate Action Strategy - 2023 Progress Report

MOVED by Director Desjardins, **SECONDED** by Director Thompson,
That staff be directed to report back on options for reducing corporate transportation and building emissions, including Capital Region Housing Corporation buildings, and advise on options for advancing a corporate and regional adaptation strategy.
CARRIED

- 8.4. [24-406](#) Biosolids Literature Review - Update

MOVED by Director Desjardins, **SECONDED** by Director Caradonna,
1. Direct staff to continue the process of identifying suitable academic researchers to undertake an independent biosolids literature review, and report back to the Environmental Services Committee.
2. That staff be directed to proceed with an independent unbiased legal review of the risks associated with the land application of biosolids.

MOVED by Director Murdoch, **SECONDED** by Director McNeil-Smith,
That the main motion be amended by adding the following words to the end of part 2: “and the risks associated if with being non-compliant with the provincial regulatory framework for biosolids”.

Director Brownoff left the meeting at 4:52 pm.

Referral motion:

MOVED by Director Desjardins, **SECONDED** by Director Brent,
That recommendations 1 and 2 and the amendment be referred to the Environmental Services Committee.

CARRIED

Opposed: Caradonna

Electoral Areas Committee

- 8.5. [24-150](#) Bylaw No. 4592 to Expand Otter Point Fire Protection and Emergency Response Local Service Area Boundary (Bylaw No. 2042)

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

1. That the attached Certificate of Results of the petitions to expand the service area boundary for the Otter Point Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service be received.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

2. That Bylaw No. 4592, "Otter Point Fire Protection and Emergency Response Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 1992, Amendment Bylaw No. 8, 2024", be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

3. That elector approval be obtained by Electoral Area Director consent on behalf.

CARRIED

Directors Desjardins and McNeil-Smith left the meeting at 4:59 pm.

- 8.6. [24-334](#) Fire Services Governance Review Report - 2024 - 2027 Implementation Plan and Draft Bylaw 4608 to Amend Bylaw 3654 for Fire Commissions

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

1. That the 2024-2027 Fire Services Governance Review Implementation plan be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

2. That Bylaw No. 4608, "Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Commissions Bylaw, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 2024" be given first, second and third reading.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

3. That Bylaw No. 4608 be adopted.

CARRIED

Motion Arising:

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

That staff review the implementation plan, consult with commissions, and report back to the Electoral Areas Committee for review in 2 years.

CARRIED

8.7. [24-237](#) Request for Inclusion of Property in the Ganges Sewer Service Area

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

- 1. To expand the boundary of the Ganges Sewer Local Service Area to include 105 Kilner Road;**
- 2. The Applicant agrees to pay for all costs to include the property into the service area, and also pays the capacity purchase charge;**
- 3. The Applicant agrees to pay all engineering, administration, permit fees, and construction costs associated with the extension of the sewer and connection to the existing sewer and the property;**

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,

- 4. That Bylaw 4601, "Salt Spring Island Ganges Sewerage Local Service Establishment Bylaw, 1991, Amendment Bylaw No. 14, 2024, be introduced and read a first, second and third time.**

CARRIED

Director Goodmanson left the meeting at 5:02 pm.

Committee of the Whole

8.8. [24-453](#) Board Priorities Annual Check In

MOVED by Director Thompson, **SECONDED** by Director Brent,
That the Corporate Plan be amended to include the six new initiatives.
CARRIED

MOVED by Director Thompson, **SECONDED** by Director Brent,
1. That the level of effort on Board Priorities be adjusted as directed by the Committee of the Whole.
2. That staff, through the service and financial planning processes, provide recommendations in funding, timing and service levels for 2025 in accordance with the amended direction:
a) That the CRD Board re-establish a Select Committee to determine options and recommendations related to "scaling up" regional support for performing arts facilities in the region.
b) Direct staff to report back on what more the CRD can do to achieve the stated goal of reduced greenhouse gas emissions, including but not limited to scaling up efforts using existing tools, and working with other levels of government to obtain additional tools.
c) That for the 2025 budget discussion, staff provide refined estimates of expenditures for each strategic goal.

MOVED by Director Murdoch, **SECONDED** by Director Brent,
That the main motion be amended to include as item d) "Ask staff to report back on options to develop a region-wide campaign to support increasing voter turnout in the 2026 local government elections in the CRD."

MOVED by Alternate Director Riddell, **SECONDED** by Director Thompson,
That the amendment be amended to add the words "and candidate participation" after the words "voter turnout".

Discussion ensued regarding:

- degree of staff involvement with candidates
- intent of the amendment related to diversity, equity, and inclusion

The question was called on the amendment to the amendment:

That the amendment be amended to add the words "and candidate participation" after the words "voter turnout".

CARRIED

Opposed: Brice, Murdoch, Wickheim, Williams

The question was called on the amendment as amended:

That the main motion be amended to include as item d) "Ask staff to report back on options to develop a region-wide campaign to support increasing voter turnout and candidate participation in the 2026 local government elections in the CRD."

CARRIED

The question was called on the main motion as amended:

1. That the level of effort on Board Priorities be adjusted as directed by the Committee of the Whole.
2. That staff, through the service and financial planning processes, provide recommendations in funding, timing and service levels for 2025 in accordance

with the amended direction:

- a) That the CRD Board re-establish a Select Committee to determine options and recommendations related to "scaling up" regional support for performing arts facilities in the region.
- b) Direct staff to report back on what more the CRD can do to achieve the stated goal of reduced greenhouse gas emissions, including but not limited to scaling up efforts using existing tools, and working with other levels of government to obtain additional tools.
- c) That for the 2025 budget discussion, staff provide refined estimates of expenditures for each strategic goal.
- d) Ask staff to report back on options to develop a region-wide campaign to support increasing voter turnout and candidate participation in the 2026 local government elections in the CRD.

CARRIED

Director Murdoch left the meeting at 5:15 pm.

9. BYLAWS

There were no bylaws for consideration.

10. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

10.1. 24-509

Notice of Motion: Regional Diversity on CRD Committees and Commissions (Alternate Director Riddell)

Alternate Director Riddell provided the following Notice of Motion to be heard at the next Governance Committee meeting:

"Staff explore options to ensure that CRD Commissions and Committees reflect the diversity of our region's population, including gender diversity, to the greatest extent possible, and report back to the board with recommendations."

11. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

12. MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING

12.1. [24-445](#)

Motion to Close the Meeting

MOVED by Director Little, **SECONDED** by Director de Vries,

1. That the meeting be closed for Appointments in accordance with Section 90(1)(a) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Little, **SECONDED** by Director de Vries,

2. That the meeting be closed for Employee Relations in accordance with Section 90(1)(c) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Little, **SECONDED** by Director de Vries,

3. That the meeting be closed for the Expropriation of Land in accordance with Section 90(1)(e) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Little, **SECONDED** by Director de Vries,

4. That such disclosures could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the Regional District.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Little, **SECONDED** by Director de Vries,

5. That the meeting be closed for intergovernmental negotiations in accordance with Section 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

The Capital Regional District Board moved to the closed session at 5:16 pm.

13. RISE AND REPORT

The Capital Regional District Board rose from the closed session at 5:26 pm and reported on the following:

- In accordance with the Reaching Home Community Advisory Board Terms of Reference that the following be appointed to the Reaching Home Community Advisory Board for a term to expire December 31, 2024: Filip Ani

- In accordance with Bylaw No. 3523 that the following be appointed to the Southern Gulf Islands Public Library Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2024: Werner Heinrich

- In accordance with Bylaw No. 3523 that the following be appointed to the Southern Gulf Islands Public Library Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2025: Carol Ashwell, Ellen Bourassa, Eleanor Cocker, Debbie Lesurf, Laura Vilness

- In accordance with Bylaw No. 3511 that the following be appointed to the Wilderness Mountain Water Service Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2024: Paula Twamley

- 1. The expropriation of a statutory right of way in that part of THE EAST 10 CHAINS OF THE FRACTIONAL SOUTH WEST 1/4, SECTION 12, MAYNE ISLAND, COWICHAN DISTRICT, EXCEPT PART IN PLANS 13929, 15136, 21821 AND 44664, PID: 001-181-009, comprising 0.106 hectares or 0.26 acres, more or less, shown in heavy black outline and marked as "Statutory Right of Way" on Plan EPP135102, is hereby approved; and,
- 2. The Corporate Officer is hereby authorized to do all acts and things, and execute all documents necessary, to carry out the expropriation.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Director Little, SECONDED by Director Plant,
That the May 8, 2024 Capital Regional District Board meeting be adjourned at 5:27 pm.
CARRIED

CHAIR

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CORPORATE OFFICER