

Capital Regional District

625 Fisgard St., Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

Meeting Minutes

Environmental Services Committee

Wednesday, July 17, 2024
1:30 PM
6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

PRESENT

Directors: B. Desjardins (Chair) (EP), S. Tobias (Vice Chair), J. Brownoff, J. Caradonna, G. Holman (EP), D. Kobayashi (EP), D. Murdock (EP) (1:33 pm), M. Tait, D. Thompson, A. Wickheim, C. Plant (Board Chair, ex-officio)

Staff: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Jones, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; G. Harris, Senior Manager, Environmental Protection; N. Elliott, Manager, Climate Action Programs; A. Linwood, Controller, Financial Services; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; J. Dorman, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Director Brownoff provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Plant, SECONDED by Director Tait, That the agenda for the July 17, 2024 Environmental Services Committee meeting be approved. CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. 24-731 Minutes of the June 19, 2024 Environmental Services Committee Meeting

MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Wickheim, That the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting of June 19, 2024 be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

Acting Chair Tobias did not have any Chair's Remarks

Director Murdock joined the meeting electronically at 1:33 pm.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. Committee Business

6.1. Update to Provincial Local Government Climate Action Program

N. Elliott spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- per capita rate allocation of the funding program
- CRD funds and future plans
- province wide funding per capita for regional districts versus municipalities

MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Tait,

The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the funding associated with the extended BC Local Government Climate Action Program be distributed as follows in years 2025 and 2026: \$75,088 for CRD Climate Action Service; \$11,512 for Juan de Fuca Electoral Area; \$24,552 for Salt Spring Island Electoral Area; and \$10,522 for Southern Gulf Islands Electoral Area.

CARRIED

6.2. 24-712 Reporting Back on Collaborative Action Regional Boats Workshop

G. Harris spoke to Item 6.2.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- potential cost and jurisdiction
- coast-wide strategy
- inclusion of GVHA, Canadian Coast Guard and RCMP
- public engagement
- scope of existing services and licensing programs

MOVED by Director Plant, SECONDED by Director Tait,

The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

- 1. That staff bring back a report that considers expanding the core area harbours service to a regional service, including costs and resourcing requirements;
- 2. That the report, What We Heard Summary Report: Regional Workshop: Collaborative Action to Resolve Boat-Related Issues in the Capital Region, be provided to local governments and First Nations in the capital region for consideration; and
- 3. That the CRD Board continue to advocate to the provincial and federal governments to take a leadership role in developing a coast-wide solution that will support local governments.

 CARRIED

6.3. Previous Minutes of Other CRD Committees and Commissions for Information

The following minutes were received for information:

a) Climate Action Inter-Municipal Task Force - June 21, 2024

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no notice(s) of motion.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Wickheim, SECONDED by Director Tait,

That the July 17, 2024 Environmental Services Committee meeting be adjourned

at 2:29 pm. CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDER