

## Meeting Minutes

### Environmental Services Committee

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Wednesday, September 25, 2024

1:30 PM

6th Floor Boardroom  
625 Fisgard St.  
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

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#### Special Meeting

#### PRESENT

Directors: S. Tobias (Vice Chair), K. Armour (for B. Desjardins), J. Brownoff (2:08 pm) (EP), J. Caradonna, G. Holman, D. Kobayashi (EP), D. Murdock (EP), M. Tait (1:32 pm) (EP), D. Thompson, A. Wickheim (1:54 pm) (EP)

Staff: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; N. Chan, Chief Financial Officer; R. Smith, Acting General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Environmental Services; N. Elliott, Manager, Climate Action Programs; P. Kickham, Manager, Environmental Regulations; T. Watkins, Manager, Environmental Resources Management, Policy and Planning; K. Jo, Senior Financial Advisor, Financial Service; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; J. Dorman, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: Director(s) B. Desjardins, C. Plant

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

#### 1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Director Holman provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

Director Tait joined the meeting electronically at 1:32 pm.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

**MOVED** by Director Caradonna, **SECONDED** by Alternate Director Armour,  
That the agenda for the September 25, 2024 Environmental Services Committee  
meeting be approved.

**CARRIED**

#### 3. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

#### 4. Special Meeting Matters

4.1. [24-864](#) Environmental Resource Management - 2025 Operating and Capital Budget

R. Smith spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- cost allocation, debt financing and overhead rates
- service delivery and CRD services
- innovative project funding and revenue generation

**Director Wickheim joined the meeting electronically at 1:54 pm.**

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Thompson,  
The Environmental Services Committee recommends the Committee of the  
Whole recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:  
That Appendix A, 2025 Operating and Capital Budget - Environmental Resource  
Management be approved as presented and form the basis of the Provisional  
2025-2029 Financial Plan.**

**CARRIED**

4.2. [24-851](#) New Hartland Policies - Quarterly Update

T. Watkins presented Item 4.2. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- diversion stations metrics and co-processing possibilities
- compliance and enforcement performance indicators
- clean versus dirty wood processing

**Director Brownoff joined the meeting electronically at 2:08pm**

4.3. [24-865](#) Update on Corporate Greenhouse Gas Emissions Targets

N. Elliott presented Item 4.3. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- cost reduction analysis and carbon pricing
- regional versus corporate emissions
- Hartland GHG active capture

**4.4.**     [24-870](#)           Climate Budgeting Update

N. Elliott spoke to Item 4.4.

Discussion ensued on cost reflection and analysis.

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Thompson,  
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional  
District Board:**

**That staff be directed to:**

- 1. Work internally on the elements of Climate Budgeting to understand what new governance mechanisms would look like in practice.**
- 2. Develop public communications materials, based on the latest greenhouse gas inventory data, for use by the CRD and local governments that more clearly communicate the urgency of this policy issue; and**
- 3. Utilize Climate Budgeting approaches in the CRD's next climate action strategy planning cycle.**

**CARRIED**

**4.5.**     [24-914](#)           Organic Matter Recycling Regulation, Biosolids Literature and Legal Review - Verbal Update

P. Kickham presented Item 4.5. for information.

Discussion ensued on concerns regarding contaminants and Health Canada updates to address PFAS (forever chemicals).

**4.6.**     [24-873](#)           Solid Waste Disposal: Hartland Landfill Tonnage Report - July 2024

T. Watkins presented Item 4.6. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- out of region tonnages
- exportation and control of exported waste
- comparison of 2024 versus 2023 tonnages

**4.7.**     [24-877](#)           Previous Minutes of Other CRD Committees and Commissions for Information

**The following minutes were received for information:**

- a) Solid Waste Advisory Committee - September 6, 2024**

**5. Adjournment**

**MOVED by Director Thompson, SECONDED by Director Caradonna,  
That the September 25, 2024 Environmental Services Committee meeting be  
adjourned at 2:46 pm.**

**CARRIED**

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CHAIR

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RECORDER