

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE JUAN DE FUCA WATER DISTRIBUTION COMMISSION, Held Tuesday, September 5, 2017, Goldstream Conference Room, 479 Island Highway, Victoria, BC

PRESENT: Commissioners: B. Gramigna, G. Baird, M. Hicks, G. Logan, K. Pearson, J. Rogers, L. Szpak Staff: T. Robbins, I. Jesney, M. McCrank, A. Constabel, J. Marr, M. Montague (Recorder)

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Two items were added to the agenda under New Business:

- a) Discussion on Emergency Disaster Response; and
- b) Sooke Wilderness Trail/the Great Trail.

MOVED by Commissioner Baird and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Rogers, That the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission approve the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 2017

MOVED by Commissioner Hicks and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Szpak, That the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission adopt the minutes of June 6, 2017 as distributed.

CARRIED

3. CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair welcomed the Commission members back after the summer break.

4. **PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

There were no presentations/delegations.

5. SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS BY OTHER WATER COMMISSIONS

MOVED by Commissioner Rogers and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Baird, That the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission receive the staff report for information.

CARRIED

6. WESTSHORE DIRECTORS & ALTERNATES MEETING – UPDATE

The Chair provided an update on the Westshore Directors & Alternates group. There has been no response from the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development to the letter sent on May 5, 2017. However, Ministry staff have advised CRD that work is resuming, post election, on addressing Juan de Fuca Water Commission voting issues. A Provincial Policy Analyst has been assigned the file.

7. 2016 JUAN DE FUCA WATER DISTRIBUTION DEVELOPMENT COST CHARGE PROGRAM UPDATE – CURRENT STATUS

T. Robbins spoke to the report. He noted that the 2016 DCC program update project completion has been delayed to review the feasibility of a Local Service Area (LSA) and its implications on the DCC program. The CRD is working on bringing the LSA issue to a close and to finalize the implications of the Centre Mountain development into the DCC program.

MOVED by Commissioner Szpak and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Rogers, That the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission receive the staff report for information.

CARRIED

8. OVERVIEW OF BULLFROG ONTROL FOR GREATER VICGTORIA WATER SUPPLY AREA AND SOOKE HILLS WILDERNESS REGIONAL PARK

A. Constabel spoke to the report. She noted that the bullfrog control program is working efficiently and effectively to reduce bullfrog breeding within the corridor and spread west beyond the corridor into the Greater Victoria Water Supply Area and Sooke Hills Wilderness Regional Park. Results to date show a reduction in the number of bullfrogs found in waterbodies in the western portion of the control corridor compared with 2016. The CRD continues to see control within the corridor as the priority for bullfrog control in the region.

MOVED by Commissioner Szpak and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Baird, That the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission receive the staff report for information, with appreciation.

<u>CARRIED</u>

9. WATER WATCH

MOVED by Commissioner Rogers and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Logan, That the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission receive the staff report for information.

CARRIED

10. NEW BUSINESS

Emergency Disaster Response

T. Robbins provided an update on the report presented to the Regional Water Supply Commission in June. It was noted in the report that, in 2016, the Regional Water Supply Commission (RWSC) approved the Post Disaster – Emergency Water Supply and Distribution Planning initiative, which included two phases, an initial assessment and plan development phase, followed by an implementation phase that would include emergency water supply and distribution equipment purchase, training and deployment plan. Work on this initiative is progressing. A Post Disaster – Emergency Water Supply and Distribution Plan is now being developed and next steps have been identified which include seeking input on the plan from regional stakeholders.

Sooke Hills Wilderness Trail/the Great Trail

Commissioner Rogers noted that he recently walked the new section of the Sooke Hills Wilderness Trail, which was fantastic, and extended his congratulations on the opening of the Great Trail.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Logan and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Hicks, That the meeting of the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission be adjourned at 12:58 pm.

CARRIED

Chair

Secretary