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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE Magic Lake Estates Water and Sewer Committee, held Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 9:30 a.m., In the Goldstream Meeting Room, 479 Island Highway, Victoria, BC

PRESENT: Committee Members: M. Fossil (Chair); J. Deschenes (Vice Chair) (EP); W. Foster (EP); R. Sullivan

Staff: J. Marr, Acting Senior Manager, Infrastructure Engineering; J. Dales, Senior Manager, Wastewater Infrastructure Operations; M. Cowley, Manager, Wastewater Engineering and Planning; M. Bona, Project Engineer; Wastewater Engineering and Planning (EP); J. Kelly, Manager, Capital Projects; M. Risvold, Committee and Administrative Clerk (Recorder)

REGRETS: P. Brent (Electoral Area Director); A. Cyr; D. Reed

EP = Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 9:42 am.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by J. Deschenes, **SECONDED** by W. Foster,
That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The last bullet of item 6.3 was amended to read “Does not feel the exemptions for agriculture would be appropriate for the Magic Lake Estates area.”

MOVED by W. Foster, **SECONDED** by J. Deschenes,
That the minutes of the February 14, 2023 meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

3. CHAIR’S REMARKS

The Chair thanked the J. Deschenes for chairing the February 14, 2023 meeting.

4. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

There were none.

5. SENIOR MANAGER’S REPORT

J. Marr thanked the Committee for accommodating an earlier meeting for the month of April.

6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

6.1. Award of Contract 2022-846 Magic Lake Estates Wastewater Pump Station and Treatment Plant Upgrades

M. Cowley spoke to item 6.1.

Staff responded to questions from the Committee regarding:

- Reducing the scope of work with Coast Utility Contracting Ltd. (Coast). Staff advised a letter has been sent to Coast and they are willing to remove items from the contract.
- Fixing pipes and manhole covers to resolve the non-compliances. Staff encouraged committee members to attend the tour of the plant and advised that pipes need to be replaced over time as they are in poor condition. All infrastructure is at its end of life, and there are no standby generators on site which leads to non-functioning equipment during an outage. Additionally, the clarifiers are not anchored or level. The Ministry of Environment wants the plants upgraded. The upgrade at Schooner will include an equalization storage tank, which will accommodate the extra water that comes in during a rainstorm event.
- The likeliness of having to discharge untreated sewage after the upgrades. Staff advised the equalization tank has been sized to handle up to a five-year storm event without overflowing, which meets the provincial requirements.
- Amount of funds committed thus far. Staff advised the actual and committed cost is \$4.3 million. The intent is that all funds will be spent, and the remaining contingency will be used for any unforeseen construction changes. There will be a surplus if there are no significant changes.

Discission ensued regarding:

- Potential of fluctuating labour and material costs
- Risk of having to return the grant funds
- Risk of losing the grant
- Inflow and infiltration (I&I) from private properties

MOVED by R. Sullivan, **SECONDED** by J. Deschenes,

That the Magic Lake Estates Water and Sewer Committee recommends that the Electoral Areas Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:

1. That Contact 2022-846, Magic Lake Estates Wastewater Pump Station and Treatment Plant Upgrades, be awarded to Coast Utility Contracting Ltd., in the amount of \$6,577,550 plus GST; and
2. That staff be authorized to issue Change Orders for the project as required, up to total aggregate amount of \$361,284 from the Project Contingency.

CARRIED

6.2. Project and Operations Update

Staff provided updates on water capital projects and operations.

Staff responded to the following questions from the Committee:

- Regarding Capital Project 21-02 Design and Construction Buck Lake and Magic Lake Adjustable Intakes. Staff will provide a copy of the study to the Chair to distribute.
- The cause of the watermain break on Ketch Road. Staff will confirm the cause and inform the Committee.

Staff provided updates on wastewater capital projects and operations.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Staff advised there are two proposed dates for the Magic Lake Estates Treatment Plant tour, May 2, 2023, and May 9, 2023. The Committee will confirm a date with staff. Staff will confirm how many spots are available for the tour and advise if there is space for service area residents to attend. Staff will be on-site to provide information regarding the upgrades during the tour.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by R. Sullivan, **SECONDED** by W. Foster,
That the April 4, 2023 meeting be adjourned at 10:59 am.

CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY