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<b><u>Meeting</u></b>	<b>Regular Council</b>
<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b>19/09/2017</b>
<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
<b><u>Place</u></b>	<b>Municipal Hall - Council Chambers</b>

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**Present** Mayor Jude Schooner  
Councillor Brenda Overton  
Councillor Louis Van Solkema  
Councillor Kathy Bellanger  
Councillor Randy Taylor

**Staff** Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer  
Deb Bodnar, Director of Finance  
Janet St-Denis, Finance & Corporate Services Manager  
Russ Nickerson, Fire Chief

**Guests** Sgt. Chris McGee, NCO i/c, Nootka Sound RCMP Detachment

**Public** 3 members of the public

### **A. Call to Order**

Mayor Schooner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and acknowledged and respected that we are upon Mowachaht/ Muchalaht Traditional Territory.

### **B. Introduction of Late Items**

Correspondence item L4 Re: RCMP 2017 Second Quarter Statistics and additional information to go with M2 (Fire Fighters without borders)

### **C. Approval of the Agenda**

#### **Overton/Bellanger: VOT 337/2017**

**THAT** the Agenda for the September 19, 2017 Regular Council meeting be adopted as amended to include the late item and additional information.

**CARRIED**

**D. Petitions and Delegations**

None.

**E. Public Input # 1**

None.

**F. Adoption of the Minutes**

**1 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on August 9, 2017**

**Overton/ Bellanger: VOT 338/2017**

**THAT** the Special Council Meeting Minutes from August 9, 2017 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 5, 2017.**

**Overton/ Bellanger: VOT 339/2017**

**THAT** the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from September 5, 2017 be adopted as amended to reflect Mayor Schooners' gratitude to the fire department, crew and Mr. Tatchell for all their work in getting the new pumper truck delivered to Tahsis.

**CARRIED**

**3 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole held on September 12, 2017**

**Bellanger/ Overton: VOT 340/2017**

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes from August 12, 2017 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**G. Rise and Report**

None.

**H. Business Arising**

**1 Village of Tahsis Tourist Information Centre Summer Statistics**

There was a brief discussion. It was noted that it may be useful to collect information from visitors regarding the types of services and attractions they are seeking.

**Overton/Bellanger: VOT 341/2017**

**THAT** this report be received.

**CARRIED**

## 2 Tahsis Day Report to Council

Thanks was given to Lauren, Rebecca and the Rec Centre staff for all their hard work. Mayor Schooner gave thanks to Councillor Overton and Councilor Bellanger. Mayor Schooner also suggested the need for a review of the Tahsis Days events early next year. Nootka Sound Timber was also recognized for their generous donation.

### **Overton/Taylor: VOT 342/2017**

**THAT** this report be received.

**CARRIED**

### **J. Council Reports**

#### **Overton/VanSolkema: VOT 343/2017**

**THAT** the Council reports be received.

**CARRIED**

There was a discussion on Councillor Taylor's report regarding Vancouver Island Regional Library- Tahsis Branch. Council agreed that a Committee of the Whole should be scheduled for the 3rd week of October to discuss this issue in more detail.

#### **Mayor Schooner** (written report)

Good evening,

At the CSWM (Comox Strathcona Waste Management) Board meeting an additional \$14,600 was approved to further the Waste to Energy Business Case Assessment to encompass three technologies/vendors for a more detailed analysis in the next stage of the assessment with a revised project deadline of November 3, 2017.

Also, it was announced that the Campbell River Waste Management Centre will be accepting asbestos starting October 1, 2017. Before this all asbestos would have to be delivered to Hartland Landfill outside of Victoria for the out-of-region tipping fee of \$500/tonne. Campbell River will be less costly, but the Campbell River asbestos tipping fee is still to be determined though likely to be in the \$250/tonne cost area.

Asbestos disposal bags will be available both in Campbell River and Courtenay's Waste Centers at a cost of \$2 per bag. I would like staff to consult with Public Works to see if there is an appetite to have an inventory of bags here in Tahsis. I did request the Board to review the possibility of having the bags for purchase here in Tahsis and that consideration could be on the next CSWM agenda depending on the village's staff input. Information on the safe disposal of asbestos is currently online at [www.cswm.ca/asbestos](http://www.cswm.ca/asbestos).

At the CSRHD (COMOX Strathcona Regional Hospital District) there was the official announcement that there will no parking fees at the new hospitals. This is due to the strong advocacy by the "Citizens for Quality Health", strong opposition from the Directors at the Board level, as well as, support from the current government and acceptance by Island Health.

The hospital in Campbell River is now open. The first baby was born at 10:57 am on the day of the move and there have been approximately a dozen births since. The move of patients from the old hospital to the new hospital went extremely well with many volunteers assisting. The old hospital will be demolished over approximately the next 10 months and be replaced with gardens (containing traditional plants and medicinal herbs), pathways and approximately 320 more parking spots. Transport Canada is in the process of certifying the helipad and that information will be released later. The hope is that it will be a H1 certification.

Both CSWM and CSRHD are working on new websites that will be user-friendly and should be launched before the end of the year.

I enjoyed attending a presentation on the "Nootka Crisis" by Catherin Gilbert sponsored by the Tahsis Literacy Society. Catherine has since sent me supporting documentation that I will forward to the Museum Society and other interested parties.

**Councillor Overton: (verbal report)**

Councillor Overton would have normally reported on the Fishing Derby but was unable to at this time as she did not have all of the statistics in yet. She also spoke about her "fish wrangling" today and the 48,000 eggs the Tahsis Enhancement Society had already gathered.

**Councillor VanSolkema: (written report)**

Council Report

September 19, 2017

Good Evening Mayor and Council,

I wanted to mention the road improvements that have been done on the West Bay road. I'm not sure who to thank for the effort.

Other than personal business, I attended a COTW meeting with the Mayor and Council on September 12. A lot of interesting discussion ensued regarding the "Fees and Charges Bylaw no. 594. I trust that we will be seeing this again soon.

In my last report, I mentioned the tributary to the pond near Pete's Farm. I am happy to report that I enjoyed a hike through the area with the Junior Canadian Rangers last Saturday. I trust that our DFO community advisor, Dave Davies, will help us create a plan of activities regarding this area.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis.

**Councillor Bellanger: (verbal report)**

Councillor Bellanger apologized for not attending the last council meeting. She commented that attended the music festival but not the fishing derby.

**Councillor Taylor: (written report)**

Report to Council, September 19th, 2017

Good evening.

On September the 16th, I attended the Board of Trustees Meeting of the Vancouver Island Regional Library in Nanaimo.

The Board adopted its 2018 (balanced) Budget, which includes continued investment in the Facilities Master Plan, ongoing investment in innovative programming, collections and resources, as well as a further commitment in digital technologies and innovations and a commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples.

VIRL levies will increase by 3.98% reflecting a per capita increase of \$ 1.19 as approved unanimously by weighted vote. This is the lowest increase in the past 5 years. The Provincial Government use to provide 21% of the VIRL budget but under the Liberal Government it has dropped to less than 5%.

Worthy of note memberships are up by 8% in Tahsis over last year.

The Facilities Progress Report stated that VIRL is waiting for information from Tahsis and the School District related to a potential site for a prefabricated construction building. Odd, since the agenda reflected this a full week before any sort of contact whatsoever. It would seem we have come full circle regarding the Tahsis Branch and Council may well want to provide Mr. Tatchell and myself some direction regarding this, as the Boards policy is to build on dedicated (read free), more or less shovel ready sites. Although the report didn't specify, it appears that with the new WorkSafe Legislation, the Board will no longer consider occupying spaces built prior to 1990.

If anyone is interested I have the detailed 2018-2022 Proposed Financial Plan in print or I can provide a PDF of the plan, as adopted, by PDF. I also have a copy of the Facilities Master Plan and Companion Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Taylor

K Bylaws  
None.

L Correspondence

1 Letter to Mayor and Council from Don Beamin Re: Water Meters

**Overton/Bellanger: VOT 344/2017**

**THAT** this letter be received.

**CARRIED**

2 Letter from Mayor Andy Adams, City of Campbell river to Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forest, Lands and Natural Resource Operations  
Re: Amalgamation of the Kingcome and Strathcona Timber Supply Areas and corresponding response.

**Overton/Bellanger: VOT 345/2017**

**THAT** this letter be received.

**CARRIED**

3 2021 Census of Population Content Consultation

There was a brief discussion. It was noted that it was difficult to complete the Census Survey.

**Overton/Bellanger: VOT 346/2017**

**THAT** this email be received.

**CARRIED**

**4 RCMP 2nd Quarter Statistics for the Village of Tahsis**

**Overton/Bellanger: VOT 347/2017**

**THAT** this report be received.

**CARRIED**

**M New Business**

**Grant in Aid Application Re: Strathcona Emergency Program - Amateur**

**1 Radio Operation (HAM) Course**

**Overton/Bellanger: VOT 348/2017**

**THAT** this Grant In Aid Application be received.

**CARRIED**

**Taylor/Bellanger: VOT 349/2017**

**THAT** this Grant In Aid Application be approved.

**CARRIED**

**2 1981 Fire Truck Disposal to Firefighters Without borders**

There was a discussion about how to transport the 1981 fire truck to the collection point. It was suggested that "feelers" be put out to see if any of the forestry contractors would donate a low bed for this purpose.

**Overton/Bellanger: VOT 350/2017**

**THAT** this correspondence and additional information be received.

**CARRIED**

**N. Public Input**

none.

**Public Exclusion**

none.

**O. Adjournment**

**VanSolkema/Taylor: VOT 351/2017**

**THAT** the Regular Council meeting adjourn at 7:47 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Certified Correct this

3 October, 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, sweeping initial letter followed by a horizontal line.

Chief Administrative Officer