



Minutes

<u>Meeting</u>	Regular Council
<u>Date</u>	05-May-20
<u>Time</u>	7:00 PM
<u>Place</u>	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Present Mayor Martin Davis
Councillor Bill Elder
Councillor Sarah Fowler
Councillor Lynda Llewellyn by phone
Councillor Cheryl Northcott

Staff Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer
Sarah Jepson, Director of Recreation by phone
Janet StDenis, Finance and Corporate Services Manager by phone

Public 1 member of the public by phone

A. Call to Order

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Mayor Davis acknowledged and respected that Council is meeting upon
Mowachaht/ Muchalaht territory

B. Introduction of Late Items and Agenda Changes

M1 under "New Business" - Letter to Mayor and Council from John (Jack)
Taylor President of the Seniors Society Tahsis Re: Good Food Access Fund

C. Approval of the Agenda

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0186/2020

THAT the Agenda for the May 5, 2020 Regular Council meeting be adopted
as amended.

CARRIED

D. Petitions and Delegations

None.

E. Public Input # 1

None.

F. Adoption of the Minutes

1 Committee of the Whole April 21, 2020

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0187/2020

THAT the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of April 21, 2020 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 21, 2020.

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0188/2020

THAT the Regular Council meeting minutes of April 21, 2020 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3 Committee of the Whole April 28, 2020

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0189/2020

THAT the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of April 28, 2020 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

G. Rise and Report

At the April 21st closed Council Meeting Council approved awarding the consulting contract for the Age Friendly Transportation Planning Project to O'Hara Aging and Accessibility Consulting the consulting firm which led and authored the Village of Tahsis Age Friendly Community Action Plan.

H. Business Arising

1 Report to Council Re: Rec Centre Q1, 2020

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0190/2020

THAT this Report to Council be received.

CARRIED

2 Report to Council Re: Emergency Operations Centre - COVID-19 Response Update

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0191/2020

THAT this Report to Council be received.

CARRIED

3 Councillor Elder: Notice of Motion from the April 21, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Re: Fees and Charges: Moorage and launch of boats be assessed a fee at an industry level.

Mayor Davis spoke to this item and a discussion of alternatives followed. The CAO informed Council that McElhanney will conduct a full inspection of the dock to provide Council with complete information on the dock's structural integrity and any deficiencies. The CAO also offered that staff could conduct a financial analysis (costs and benefits) of imposing moorage and boat launch fees.

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0192/2020

THAT this item and example be received.

CARRIED

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0193/2020

THAT staff provide an analysis of potential revenues, operating costs and or other financial aspects of providing moorage and boat launch service.

CARRIED

4 **Councillor Elder: Notice of Motion from the April 21, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Re: Tahsis Gravel Pit: Tahsis has a gravel pit and the public is not allowed to access it for personal use as several government agencies are mandating that it stay closed. Open it for public use.**

Councillor Elder spoke to his motion. The CAO provided Council with information regarding the legal authorities that govern the management and use of the Leiner Gravel Pit. A discussion followed.

Elder/Llewellyn: VOT 0194/2020

THAT this notice of motion and Report to Council be received.

CARRIED

Mayor/Elder: VOT 0195/2020

THAT staff write a letter to the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, MLA Claire Trevena and Premier Horgan requesting public access to gravel in the Leiner Gravel Pit.

CARRIED

5 **Councillor Fowler: Notice of Motion from the April 21, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Re: Federation of Canadian Municipalities- Election to the Board of Directors**

Councillor Fowler spoke to her motion. A discussion regarding travel costs followed.

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0196/2020

THAT this item be received for discussion.

CARRIED

Fowler/

THAT;

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS FCM's Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the prestige required to carry the municipal message to the federal government; and

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Tahsis endorse **Councillor Sarah Fowler** to stand for election on FCM's Board of Directors for the period starting in June 2020 and ending until June 2021); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council assumes all costs associated with Councillor Sarah Fowler attending FCM's Board of Directors meetings.

MOTION FAILED

J. Council Reports

Mayor Davis (written report)

Our lives continue to be heavily influenced by COVID-19 as social distancing continues and we continue to discourage travel in BC. Currently, the death toll in BC is 121 with and a similar number of cases reported on Vancouver Island and only four deaths here. The lack of widespread testing continues to be a concern and it is difficult to see a reopening of our economy occurring without having the monitoring in place to allow it to happen safely. I have raised the issue of inadequate testing with the provincial government but to date there has been little change. We certainly don't want to go down the path of the USA which currently has a death rate nine times higher than BC and is expected to increase as the premature reopening of their economy continues. We are currently at only 24 deaths per million in BC, compared to 107 for Canada as a whole.

In the last two weeks, I have attended two online meetings - the Regional District board meeting and the Climate Response Planning Committee on Vancouver Island. At the latter, we finalized a survey that will be sent out to municipalities to gauge their responses to the climate issues facing their communities as well as future directions.

Our community was recently subjected to a 36 hour power outage when a logging mishap took out the main distribution lines near Malaspina Lake, disabling power to Tahsis, Zeballos, Ocluje and Kyuquot. The Village responded by taking a generator to the rec centre which was opened to receive seniors and those in need of a warm drink and meals. People from our emergency program along with staff and other volunteers including myself donated food and cooked meals for everybody. It was attended by about 30 citizens and for the most part, everybody used social distancing and hand washing protocols. It was wonderful to see our community coming together in this time of need.

Today I went down to the community garden to donate several squash and artichoke plants as well as several seed packets to the farm to school program, which will be used by students to grow veggies for their use. Great to see things starting to grow there!

Councillor Elder

No report.

Councillor Fowler (written report)

Reflecting on the power outage I used that time to call the last few numbers of people on my list of Christmas hamper recipients, to touch base and see how they are fairing with the COVID-19 crisis. My friend told me about the dinner offered at the rec centre and I was grateful to the people who were able to mobilize quickly to the needs of people under prepared for such a long hydro deficiency. It is very difficult for vulnerable population who rely on the support of their friends and neighbors to be effected by the physical distancing compounded.

Personally, I missed the following meetings myself, during the power outage but we were prepared with camp gas and Graham even had an opportunity to take his new generator out of the box. I currently am researching the accommodations that will be close to the convention center for the UBCM and I have overwhelmed with my successful face book fundraiser, (200\$ in 2 days) whereby 7 supporters donated campaign dollars for stickers and other promotional materials to be distributed at the provincial forum. I also enjoyed a webinar this morning, put on by tourismresiliency.ca with Dierdre Campell called reputation management.

Nevertheless I have attached the NSW draft letter for the minutes and hope to have dates soon about the rescheduling of the age friendly action committee (TAAC) and the Unity Four Communities U4C AGM. I also have been loosely involved with some hopeful gardeners who are trying to do a bulk soil order, and support the late item of village resources to be used to help distribute the dirt locally.

attachment- NWSW draft letter to Honorable Minister Donaldson Apr 18, 2020

Respectfully submitted.

Sarah Fowler

Councillor Llewellyn (written report)

As I listen to the other reports tonight it is the first time I knew that a meal was offered during the power outage. Unfortunately my phone does not work during a power outage and my cell phone of course did not have a charge by the first morning without power. I don't have data on my phone, something I may rethink. I also didn't know about the fire department bringing around a generator. I have to think there must have been others who also didn't know about these things.

Councillor Northcott

No report.

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0197/2020

THAT the Council Reports be received.

CARRIED

K. Bylaws

None.

L. Correspondence

1 Email from Dennis Sterritt, Mayor, Village of Hazelton Re: BC Gaming Grant

2 Trent Tabor, Search and Rescue Program Officer, Canadian Coast Guard letter Re: Inshore Rescue Boat Program 2020

3 Crystal Dunahee, President, Child Find B.C. letter Re: Proclamation for National Missing Children's Month and Missing Children's Day.

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0198/2020

THAT these correspondence item be received.

CARRIED

M. New Business

1 Letter to Mayor and Council from John (Jack) Taylor President of the Seniors Society Tahsis Re: Good Food Access Fund

Report to Council Re: Good Food Access Fund Grant Application

The CAO noted that the funding organization did not provide details about a trustee's responsibilities.

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0199/2020

THAT this letter and Report to Council be received.

CARRIED

Davis/Fowler: VOT 0200/2020

THAT the Village of Tahsis as the Trustee for the Tahsis Seniors' Society Grant from the Good Food Access Program be approved

CARRIED

N. Public Input #2

A member of the public thanked all the volunteers and staff that come out to help during the power outage. Council also thanked her for her help during the outage.

Adjournment

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0201/2020

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified Correct this

19th Day of May, 2020



Chief Administrative Officer