

Township of
Langley



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Mayor's Standing Committee Development Management Process Review (DMPR)

Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 6:00pm
Murraycreek Meeting Room
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor J. Froese

Councillors: M. Kunst

Absent: Cllr. B. Whitmarsh

Community Representatives: M. Best, S. Bouchard, K. Nielsen, M. Dinwoodie.

Staff: R. Seifi, and C. Savoy

A. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Development Management Process Review Committee – May 23, 2019

Moved by M. Dinwoodie

Seconded by Cllr. M. Kunst

That the Committee adopt the Agenda and receive the agenda items for the Development Management Process Review Committee May 23, 2019 meeting.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

n/a

C. INTRODUCTIONS

1. Introduction by Mayor, Councillors and Committee members.

Moved by: M. Dinwoodie

Seconded by: S. Bouchard

That the Committee confirm Marlene Best as Co-Chair for the duration of this Committee.

CARRIED

D. APPROVAL OF MEETING DATES**1. 2019 Meeting Dates**

Moved by Cllr. M. Kunst

Seconded by M. Dinwoodie

That the Committee meeting dates be confirmed for:

1. Thursday, June 20
2. Thursday, July 25
3. Thursday, September 19
4. Thursday, October 24
5. Thursday, November 21

CARRIED

E. PRESENTATIONS**1. PowerPoint – Development Management Review Process**

Mr. Ramin Seifi, General Manager of Community Development and Engineering.

Cllr. Ferguson joined the meeting at 6:27pm.

F. TERMS OF REFERENCE**1. Review Terms of Reference**

Moved by M. Dinwoodie

Seconded by K. Nielsen

That the Terms of Reference include the following:

Research and review the business case regarding resources linked with demand and increasing complexity of process.

CARRIED

G. ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANT**1. Aspects of Consultant Work**

Moved by M. Dinwoodie

Seconded by M. Best

Mr. R. Seifi to invite Meg Holden to attend the next Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**I. NEXT MEETING**

Date: June 20, 2019

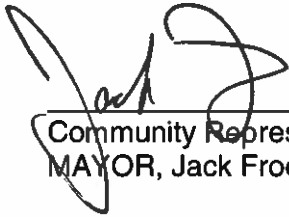
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Time: 6:00pm

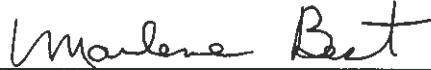
J. TERMINATE

Moved by Shawn Bouchard
Seconded by Cllr. M. Kunst
That the meeting terminate at 7:50pm
CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Community Representative Co-Chair
MAYOR, Jack Froese



Council Representative Co-Chair
Marlene Best



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SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 7:00pm
Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

MINUTES

Present:

C. Munnalall (Community Co-Chair)
Councillor S. Ferguson (Council Co-Chair)

E. Brett and S. Hedao

Staff:

C. Molina, Recreation Programmer
R. Stare, Deputy Director, Parks and Recreation
P. Ward, Strategic/Social Planner
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Seniors Advisory Committee – June 19, 2019

Moved by C. Munnalall,
Seconded by S. Hedao,
That the Seniors Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the
agenda items of the June 19, 2019 meeting.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Seniors Advisory Committee – May 15, 2019

Moved by E. Brett,
Seconded by S. Hedao,
That the Seniors Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the May 15, 2019
meeting.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Recreation Opportunities for Low-income Residents

C. Molina provided a presentation regarding recreation opportunities for older
adults and lower-income residents. The following information was provided:

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Senior Specific Programs and Events:

- Seniors Week (June 1-7, 2019) – Opportunity to demonstrate some of the programs the Township offers, including social opportunities.
- Let's Dig It – Senior's Gardening Club at Derek Doubleday Arboretum.
- Registered and Drop-In Programs – A variety of programs and classes that are geared towards older adults on land, water, and ice.

Pricing Options for Older Adults:

- The Township offers competitive rates for older adults, as well as the new Super Senior rate of \$1 for people 80 years and older.
- Financial assistance is available to all Township residents who meet the criteria.
- Many of the older adult programs are shorter in duration (time) and shorter sets (weeks) to help keep the prices lower.

The Township partners with different agencies such as Fraser Health and BC Recreation and Parks Association to offer specific programming for older adults with different physical limitations and to increase strength, stability and balance:

- TIME – program for those with mobility issues.
- Choose To Move – for those 65 years and older who are sedentary and need more movement.
- Get Up and Go – entry level program to increase balance and mobility.
- Active Age – group exercise based program to increase physical activity and abilities in those 65 and up.

Discussion ensued, and there was a suggestion to highlight the programs listed in the Leisure Guide for adults that may also appeal to older adults and seniors. There was also a suggestion to broaden the activities and events during Seniors Week, including considering opportunities to partner with local businesses.

R. Stare reported that the Aldergrove Credit Union Community Centre had a very successful first year and that many seniors use the walking track year round.

D. REPORTS

1. Co-Chair Reports

C. Munnalall reported that BC Hydro has a fund to assist people experiencing a temporary financial crisis and, as a result, have fallen behind on their bill.

Councillor Ferguson reported the following:

- Fraser Health has recommended the appointment of W. Magnusson, Director of Clinical Operations, Langley Memorial Hospital and Community Health Services as the non-voting member of the Seniors Advisory Committee.
- Information provided by Councillor Arnason regarding hidden mobility disability will be distributed to the committee by email.
- Members of Council recently attended the Federation of Canadian Municipalities conference, which covered a number of topics, including housing, cannabis, transportation, and Indigenous relations.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. WORK PROGRAM

1. Dementia-friendly Communities

P. Ward provided the following summary of information received by the committee this year on dementia-friendly communities:

- Dementia is an overall term for a set of symptoms that are caused by disorders affecting the brain, including memory loss and difficulties with thinking, problem-solving or language, severe enough to reduce a person's ability to perform everyday activities.
- There are approximately 1,600 people living with dementia in Langley, and these numbers are expected to rise due to the aging population.
- Dementia-friendly communities support people with dementia to participate in their community to the fullest extent possible by addressing barriers in the social and built environment.
- The Alzheimer Society of B.C. has an initiative to support municipalities in working towards a dementia-friendly community through the following process:
 - Partnering with the Society in providing dementia-friendly education;
 - Setting up a dementia-friendly working group;
 - Developing a dementia-friendly action plan or applying a dementia-friendly lens to an existing age-friendly plan;
 - Implementing the action plan; and
 - Staying accountable.
- The Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) has historically made available grant funding to support dementia-friendly community work through its Age-friendly Communities Grant Program.

F. WORK PROGRAM

P. Ward stated that UBCM's Age-friendly Communities Grant Program is typically open for applications during a short period in the fall each year, and that due to the scheduling of Seniors Advisory Committee and Council meetings, the committee may wish to consider a motion at this meeting, if the committee wanted to recommend that the Township undertake dementia-friendly planning work next year. Discussion ensued, and committee members expressed support for an application to the Age-friendly Communities Grant Program to facilitate dementia-friendly planning work in 2020.

MOTION

Moved by C. Munnalall,

Seconded by S. Hedao,

That the Seniors Advisory Committee recommends a future application to the UBCM Age-friendly Communities Grant Program to assist the Township in working towards becoming a dementia-friendly community, by applying a dementia-friendly lens to its existing Age-friendly Strategy.

CARRIED

P. Ward noted that, with this recommendation, staff will prepare an Age-friendly Communities Grant Program application for Council's consideration once the details of the program are released, provided dementia-friendly planning work is accommodated in the program for 2020.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Township of Langley Website (action item from March 20, 2019 meeting)

P. Ward displayed the Township website for committee members to give input in making seniors-related information easier to find. Some of the following suggestions were provided:

- Have a "Seniors" link on the homepage or have a "Seniors" link under the "At Your Service" and/or "Residents" buttons.
- Have the Seniors page use the same format as the Social Sustainability page, which uses tabs with photos for the different categories.
- Have a link to BC211 on the Seniors page.
- Do not use compressed font.
- Have a button on the homepage to make the font bigger and turnoff the background photos.

Action: Staff to further explore these suggestions and report back to the committee.

2. HandyDART Service (action item from April 17, 2019 meeting)

H. **OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

Material on HandyDART service and eligibility was provided for information in the agenda package. P. Ward noted that the approximate 300 HandyDART busses are deployed regionally, based on demand.

Action: Staff to invite a representative from Coast Mountain Bus Company to give a presentation on HandyDART service delivery. Representatives from other stakeholder groups (e.g. the Langley Seniors Community Action Table and Langley Seniors Resources Society) will be invited to hear the presentation.

3. **Green Burial - Royal Oak Burial Park**

E. Brett reported that he toured the Royal Oak Burial Park in Victoria where they have a green burial section. Information regarding the rates will be distributed to the committee by email.

I. **NEXT MEETING**

Date: TUESDAY, September 17, 2019
Location: Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue
Time: 7:00 pm

J. **TERMINATE**

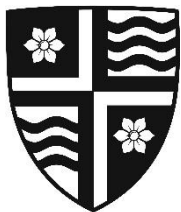
Moved by S. Hedao,
Seconded by E. Brett,
That the meeting terminate at 8:45pm.
CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Community Representative Co-Chair

Council Representative Co-Chair

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COUNCIL PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

Monday, June 24, 2019 at 1:00pm
Fraser River Presentation Theatre
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

MINUTES

PRESENT: Acting Mayor B. Long

Councillors P. Arnason, D. Davis, S. Ferguson, M. Kunst, K. Richter, B. Whitmarsh, and E. Woodward

M. Bakken, R. Seifi, K. Sinclair, and J. Winslade

W. Bauer, S. Little, and K. Stepto

A. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Council Priorities Committee Agenda – June 24, 2019

Moved by Councillor Kunst,
Seconded by Councillor Arnason,
That Council adopt the agenda and receive the agenda items of the
Council Priorities Committee meeting held June 24, 2019.
CARRIED

B. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Council Procedure Bylaw

W. Bauer, Township Clerk, reviewed the Council Procedure Bylaw and the suggested revisions submitted by council members. The following items were discussed:

2.01 - Definitions

- Include “website and social application” to the Public Notice Posting Place paragraph.
- Update the definition of Deputy Township Clerk
- Need clarity on the definition of “routine and non-controversial decision” for unanimous consent.

3.01 – Rules of Procedure

- A simplified version of the Rules of Procedure should be provided to the Council Committees.

B. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**3.02 – Irregularity****MOTION**

Moved by Councillor Whitmarsh,

Seconded by Councillor Kunst,

That the word “unintentional” be removed from Section 3.02 and replaced with “incorrectly applied”.

DEFEATED

Councillors Arnason, Davis, Long, Richter, and Woodward

MOTION

That the definition of “unintentional” be added to Section 3.02.

CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**5.01 – Schedule of Council Meetings**

- Add a third paragraph that states that Regular Afternoon and Regular Evening meetings may include a Special Closed Meeting.

5.05 – Advertising Regular Council Meeting Schedule

- Add “Public Notice Posting Place” to this paragraph

5.09 – Regular Council Afternoon Meeting Time**MOTION**

Moved by Councillor Richter,

Seconded by Councillor Arnason,

That the Regular Afternoon Meeting conclude at 6:00pm.

CARRIED

Councillors Davis, Ferguson, and Woodward opposed

Discussion ensued regarding having more meetings a month in order to accommodate the additional Township business that seems to be arising. The following comments were provided:

- Could have an additional meeting per month designated for the Council Priorities Committee and delegations.
- Council has to keep the interests of the public in mind.
- Much of councilors time is spent in the community and dealing with other public matters.
- It can be difficult to concentrate when the meetings are so long and go late at night.
- Staff try to schedule meetings to make the best use of Council's time.
- Public Hearings need the appropriate amount of time for notifying the public.
- Council workshops etc. could be scheduled for non-Council meeting days.

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B. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**ADJOURMENT**

Moved by Councillor Ferguson,

Seconded by Councillor Kunst,

That the meeting be adjourned to the July 22, 2019 Council Priorities Committee at 12:00pm.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 2:29pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor

Township Clerk

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AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY AND ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 7:00pm
Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

MINUTES

Present:

M. Gunn, Community Co-Chair
Councillor B. Whitmarsh, Council Co-Chair

J. Caldarella, P. Kathuria, T. Knight, B. Sharp, and A. Spencer

Staff:

V. Gafka, Senior Manager, Economic Investment and Development
R. Nelson, Senior Planner
A. Ruhl, Manager, Engineering and Construction Services
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Agricultural Advisory and Economic Enhancement Committee - June 26, 2019

Moved by J. Caldarella,
Seconded by T. Knight,
That the Agricultural Advisory and Economic Enhancement Committee approve
the agenda and receive the agenda items of the June 26, 2019 meeting, as
amended.

CARRIED

Clerk's Note: Item H.1 was added to the agenda.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Agricultural Advisory and Economic Enhancement Committee - May 22, 2019

Moved by B. Sharp,
Seconded by T. Knight,
That the Agricultural Advisory and Economic Enhancement Committee receive
the Notes of the May 22, 2019 meeting.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

D. REPORTS

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. WORK PROGRAM

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

The following motion was referred to the Agricultural Advisory and Economic Enhancement Committee at the June 10, 2019 Regular Afternoon Meeting:

1. **Beavers and Wetlands**

Moved by Councillor Arnason,

Seconded by Councillor Davis,

Whereas the Township of Langley recently sponsored a Climate Adaptation event on May 22, regarding the negative implications of global climate change and warming weather as it relates to local government activities and infrastructure;

Whereas existing wetlands within the Township provide valuable infrastructure which support climate mitigation and protect against the most problematic effects of flooding and drought, and further creates and enhances local ecosystems that are more resilient and supportive of wildlife and fish habitats thereby protecting biodiversity opportunities;

Whereas beaver dams provide an incontrovertible contribution to wetland creation and maintenance, including benefits such as the prevention of waterway scouring and erosion, reduction of sediment transport, increased habitat for waterfowl and fish species, and the potential for reducing the de-watering of downstream areas during drought events; and

Whereas the Township currently lacks a detailed policy regarding beaver dam removal, which policy further does not consider the importance of natural and re-naturalized wetlands and riparian wetlands and the fundamental role played by beavers in this regard;

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct staff to review our current policy on beaver dam removal and alteration, in order to reflect adherence to the following primary principles:

Removal or alteration of beaver dams subject to the jurisdiction of the Township of Langley local authority or managed by the Township on behalf of private property owners, will only be authorized with respect to imminent flooding or water damage from over-height water compounding that could negatively affect TOL infrastructure, and for no other purpose or cause; and further

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That any necessary removal, or lowering, of beaver dams on Township property or properties managed by the Township, conform to best management practices to ensure the protection of downstream and adjacent water quality and quantity, and that all such alterations only be undertaken in a manner that minimizes disturbance to the banks or bed of any waterbody or watercourse in support of critical wetland integrity protection.

REFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Richter,

Seconded by Councillor Davis,

That this motion be referred to the Agricultural Advisory and Economic Enhancement Committee for comment.

CARRIED

A. Ruhl, Manager, Engineering and Construction Services, provided some background information regarding maintenance of watercourses and beavers. He commented that management of beaver dams falls under the jurisdiction of the provincial government, but that municipalities have the ability to control beaver activity and dams when the dams pose a risk to municipal drainage systems, public assets and infrastructure, property, or the environment.

Management of beavers consists of the following progressive, non-invasive steps:

- i. Monitoring
- ii. Tree wrapping
- iii. Installing pond levelers
- iv. Hand removal of dams
- v. Removal of debris and blockages
- vi. Other non-invasive approaches, as possible

Trapping and removal is only used as a last resort or if it is deemed an emergency, and is done by a licensed trapper.

Discussion ensued and the following comments/questions were provided by the committee:

- Do staff monitor the effects of a dam downstream?
- If a dam has to be removed, do staff assess if the removal will cause serious harm to fish or fish habitat?
- Does the policy need to be reviewed if it was just done in 2017?
- It is always a good idea to review best practices in other jurisdictions.

COUNCIL

Moved by T. Knight,

Seconded by J. Caldarella,

That the Agricultural Advisory and Economic Enhancement Committee recommends that Council ask staff to review the Control of Nuisance Animals Policy, in particular to look at the best practices in other jurisdictions; and

That the review explore a principle that states that if a dam may result in serious harm to fish or fish habitat, that this would be an additional reason for removal.

CARRIED

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Farm Tour Update

R. Nelson provided the following update regarding the Farm Tour:

- The date has been confirmed for September 11, 2019.
- The theme is “Innovation and Technology in Farming”.
- Three farms have been confirmed for the tour: Roots and Wings Distillery, Eagle Acres, and NATS Nursery.
- Lunch will be provided.
- The tour will begin at the Langley Events Centre.
- Speaker is still to be confirmed.
- Time of tour and additional information will be sent to the committee members over the summer.

It was suggested to have a speaker who can discuss Farming and Economy.

N. NEXT MEETING

Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2019
Location: Farm Tour
Time: TBD

O. TERMINATE

Moved by P. Kathuria,
Seconded by T. Knight,
That the meeting terminate at 7:40pm.
CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Community Representative Co-Chair

Council Representative Co-Chair