



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

MINUTES OF THE ALBERNI VALLEY & BAMFIELD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023, 10:00 AM

Hybrid - Zoom/Board Room, 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC

DIRECTORS

PRESENT:

Deb Haggard, Councillor, City of Port Alberni, Chairperson,
Bob Beckett, Director, Electoral Area "A" (Bamfield)
Jack McLeman, Alternate Director, Electoral Area "B" (Beaufort)
Penny Cote, Director, Electoral Area "D" (Sproat Lake)
Susan Roth, Director, Electoral Area "E" (Beaver Creek)
Mike Sparrow, Director, Electoral Area "F" (Cherry Creek)
Sharie Minions, Mayor, City of Port Alberni

REGRETS:

Fred Boyko, Director, Electoral Area "B" (Beaufort)
John Jack, Councillor, Huu-ay-aht First Nations
Wilfred Cootes, Councillor, Uchucklesaht Tribe Government

STAFF PRESENT:

Jenny Brunn, General Manager of Community Services
Heather Zenner, Manager of Administrative Services
Eddie Kunderman, Manager of Operations

The meeting can be viewed on the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District website at
<https://www.acrd.bc.ca/events/23-8-2023/>

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

The Chairperson recognized this meeting is being held throughout the Nuu-chah-nulth territories.

The Chairperson reported this meeting is being recorded and livestreamed to YouTube on the Regional District website.

Introductions - Committee Members and Staff present in the Boardroom.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: Director McLeman

SECONDED: Director Cote

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. **MINUTES**

a. **Alberni Valley & Bamfield Services Committee Meeting held May 18, 2023**

MOVED: Director Cote

SECONDED: Director McLeman

THAT the minutes of the Alberni Valley & Bamfield Committee meeting held on May 18, 2023 be received.

CARRIED

4. **PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS**

a. **Victor Copetti, Transit Planner, BC Transit regarding Regional Transit Project Plan.**

Victor Copetti gave a presentation on a project review of the Port Alberni Transit System, including a plan for public engagement within the City of Port Alberni, First Nations, and the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District.

Director Sparrow joined the meeting at 10:15 am.

MOVED: Director Cote

SECONDED: Director Haggard

THAT the Alberni Valley & Bamfield Services Committee allow a member of the public present in the Boardroom to ask questions at this point in the meeting related to the BC Transit presentation.

CARRIED

Alex asked if BC Transit was working on a connection from Port Alberni to Qualicum Beach or Nanaimo. BC Transit indicated that this idea is not a short-term goal of BC Transit but could be considered as a part of this process as a long-term goal if this comes through in the public input process. Eddie Kunderman clarified that inter-regional transit is indeed a part of the scope of this project.

5. **REQUEST FOR DECISIONS**

a. **Request for Decision regarding ACRD/TFN Equitable Employment MOU**

MOVED: Director Haggard

SECONDED: Director Beckett

THAT the Alberni Valley and Bamfield Services Committee recommend that the ACRD Board of Directors enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Tseshaht First Nation and the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District regarding the development of Equitable Employment Initiatives as a pilot project.

CARRIED

b. Request for Decision regarding establishment of a Bamfield Area Committee

MOVED: Director Beckett

SECONDED: Director Sparrow

THAT the Alberni Valley and Bamfield Services Committee recommend that the ACRD Board of Directors approve the creation of a Bamfield Area Committee and direct staff to bring forward a terms of reference to the ACRD Board for consideration and approval.

CARRIED

c. Request for Decision regarding results of the 2023 Tipping Fee Review for the Alberni Valley Sort'nGo Centre

MOVED: Director Cote

SECONDED: Director Haggard

THAT the Alberni Valley and Bamfield Services Committee recommend that the ACRD Board of Directors support the adoption of an amendment of Bylaw R1029, Alberni Tipping Fee and Regulation to reflect the results and recommendations of the 2023 Tipping Fee Review for the Alberni Valley Sort'nGo Centre.

CARRIED

8. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions/Comments from the public. The Manager of Administrative Services advised there were no questions or comments respecting an agenda topic from public:

- Participating in the Zoom webinar
- Submissions received by email at responses@acrd.bc.ca.

A member of the public read out several comments received from public who are in support of a Transit connection from Port Alberni to the east side of the Island.

9. **ADJOURN**

MOVED: Director McLeman

SECONDED: Director Cote

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11:18 am.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Deb Haggard

Deb Haggard,
Chairperson

Heather Zenner

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Manager of Administrative Services