## THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

(Minutes of Council)

Slocan, British Columbia July 9, 2018

**The Regular Meeting** of the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Village of Slocan, elected for the years 2014-2018, was held in Council Chambers 503 Slocan Street, Slocan, B.C., on July 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

**Elected Officials** 

Mayor Jessica Lunn

Councillor Jean Patterson Councillor Joel Pelletier

Councillor Madeleine Perriere

ABSENT:

Councillor Burly Van Bynen

Appointed Personnel

Michelle Gordon, Chief Administrative Officer

Call to Order

Mayor Jessica Lunn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Adopt Agenda 2018/122

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Perriere,

And Resolved:

That the agenda be adopted as amended, with a Public Participation Period included at the beginning of the meeting to accommodate those who wish to comment on the proposed cell service in Slocan.

Public Participation:

Rory Lindsay, Lemon Crk, RDCK In favour of cell service in Slocan, important for health and safety (Rory listed a few examples of how cell service could have assisted during incident).

Loren Guerin, Slocan Village Loren provided Council with a printout of comments from the Facebook *Slocan Buy, Sell & Trade* page that she manages, most of which she commented were in favour. Loren feels it is needed first and foremost for safety.

Kevin Millership, Brandon, RDCK Kevin stated he is opposed to cell service in Slocan. He provided Council with technical information he had gathered and stated that Council had the power to say no. Millership feels there are other ways for emergency contact and has started a petition with names opposed.

Kai Cabodyna, RDCK – Slocan Rural Kai is concerned about the cultural aspect if cell service is brought to Slocan, and does not want to see people on cell phones all the time.

John Gates, Fire Chief, Slocan Village John is excited to hear service may be coming to Slocan but feels it is not enough – it's needed throughout the Valley. Fire departments in the Valley do not get dispatched properly/effectively without service – would increase overall safety. If people don't want service they don't have to have a cell phone. Coverage will not be enough – 11.5 km of first responder members will be outside coverage area, and 7.5 km of fire department members out of coverage area.

Audience:

Daniel Scott, Trails BC 2018/123 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Patterson,

And Resolved:

That the presentation received from Daniel Scott of Trails BC, regarding proposed projects and upgrades to the south end of the Rail Trail, be received for information

information.

FireSmart Program 2018/124

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Patterson,

And Resolved:

That the presentation received from Nora Hannon and Ian Stewart, regarding the RDCK FireSmart Program, be received for information.

Utility Services 2018/125

Moved by Councillor Pelletier, seconded by Councillor Perriere,

And Resolved:

That the presentation received from Schams (Sam) Ahad of Renewgen Systems Inc, regarding his Independent Utility Initiative, be received for information.

Recommendations:

UBCM 2018 2018/126 Moved by Councillor Pelletier, seconded by Councillor Perriere,

And Resolved:

That two Councillors be authorized to attend the 2018 UBCM Convention in Whistler on September 10-14, alongside Mayor Lunn, as voting delegates representing the Village of Slocan.

UBCM Minister Appointments 2018/127 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Patterson, And Resolved:

That Council direct staff to schedule the following appointments with appropriate ministers during the 2018 UBCM Convention in Whistler BC, during the week of September 10-14, 2018:

MINISTRY:	MINISTER:	TOPIC:
Energy, Mines & Petroleum	Michelle Mungall	Micro-Hydro Project
Municipal Affairs & Housing	Selina Robinson	Housing
Premier	John Horgan	Various

Election Officer Appointments 2018/128 Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Pelletier, And Resolved:

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That Slocan Village Council appoint Michelle Gordon as the Chief Election Officer and Nicole Laframboise as the Deputy Election Officer, to conduct the 2018 general local election for the Village of Slocan.

Requests:

Legion Alarm 2018/129 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Patterson, And Resolved:

That the Village agree to pay for half the cost of the Legion Hall's security and alarm system (total cost of system is \$500), in response to the Legion's request received on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Asset Management 2018/130

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Patterson, And Resolved:

That Council support in principle, an application to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing *Infrastructure Planning Grant Program*, for funding to complete prioritizing asset renewal and replacement; and further, that Council contribute up to \$2,500 from the RDCK Community Development Fund, if approved.

## Information Items: 2018/131

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Patterson, And Resolved:

That the following items be received and the action indicated as required be taken by staff:

1	Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Infrastructure	Information
	Program	
2	Canadian Mountain Network - Consortium Proposal	Information
3	Rowan Baal – Business Licence	Information
4	BC Rural Dividend – Fifth Intake	Information
5	2018 General Local Election – Key Dates	Information
6	Kootenay Rockies Tourism - Tourism Industry Conference,	Information
	Cranbrook	

## Bylaws/Policies:

Business License 2018/132

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Perriere,

And Resolved:

That the "Village of Slocan Business License Bylaw No. \_\_\_\_, 2018 be finally passed and adopted and numbered 662.

Fees & Charges Amendment 2018/133 Moved by Councillor Pelletier, seconded by Councillor Perriere,

And Resolved:

That the "Village of Slocan Fees & Charges Amendment Bylaw No. \_\_\_\_, 2018 be finally passed and adopted and numbered 663.

Zone Amendment – Motel

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Pelletier,

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And Resolved:

That the Zoning Amendment Application for Lots 17-20, Block 26, to consider permitting long-term residential use, be referred to the next meeting of Council.

Zone Amendment – Lessard

And Resolved:

2018/135

2018/134

That the Zoning Amendment Application for Lots 11-14, Block 23, to consider permitting more than one accessory residential unit per site in the Core Commercial Zone, be referred to the next meeting of Council.

Reports:

Mayor 2018/136 Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Perriere,

And Resolved:

That the Mayor's verbal report for July 2018 be received for information.

**Public Participation** 

Marina Matthew, Lemon Crk, RDCK Moved to the Valley because there was no cell service – does not want to see in

Slocan.

Emily Gerrard, RDCK, Slocan Rural Cell service is a safety issue with distracted driving accidents and causes developmental problems in children. Would like Council to look into the details.

Devin Lindsay, Slocan Village Happy to hear about independent utility from the presentation provided by Sam Ahad and encourages Council to learn more about community networks.

Ray,

Calgary, AB

Ray (last name unknown) in Slocan visiting friends, is electro-sensitive, can feel waves, causes anxiety/insomnia/fatigue. Fire fighters in AB not allowed to install antennas on stations. Should be safe places for those who are electrically-

sensitive. Carries a meter to determine electro-levels.

Unknown RDCK, Slocan Rural Understands all reasons for cell service. Curious how Council decides?

James Shaw, Slocan Village Should cell service go to referendum?

Devin Lindsay, Slocan Village There are studies on how people react to meters for electro-levels, but the meters

are what's causing people to think it's real.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Moved by Councillor Patterson,

2018/137

And Resolved:

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:** 

Chief Administrative Officer