



THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

Regular Council Meeting Highlights

August 10, 2021

Province's Draft Climate Change Strategy

Council endorsed a letter to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy which offered comments on the draft Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy. The letter points out that the Strategy would benefit from including freshwater ecosystems and flooding along with the importance of hydroelectric power as critical infrastructure. The letter also recommends enhancing the implementation measures to build resilience for our region's most vulnerable economic sectors.

BC Active Transportation Grant Program

During the grant review process a change to the scope of this project was required to meet the objectives of the grant. As such, a change to the project resolution from Council is required to match the grant application. Council rescinded a resolution passed on June 8, 2021 and then passed a new resolution that includes planning and policy work to meet the grant requirements.

Transit Committee Terms of Reference

At the June 22, 2021 Regular Council meeting Council directed staff to draft Terms of Reference for a Transit Committee. After review of the draft Terms of Reference Council moved to defer them. Council instead established a three-person committee comprised of Councillors Condon, Fielding and Van Minsel to report back to Council on the scope of the project.

Variance Permit, File: DVP21-01, 6495 Sherburn Road

Council authorized the issuance of a Variance Permit for the property at 6495 Sherburn Road. The variance will allow the southeast corner of the proposed single detached dwelling to project up to 1.5 metres into the front yard setback area.

Variance Permit, File: DVP21-02, 6172 Seymoure Avenue

Council authorized the issuance of a Variance Permit for the property located at 6172 Seymoure Avenue. The variance will permit the construction of a secondary suite within an existing single detached dwelling.

Safe Restart Grant Applications

The provincially and federally supported "COVID-19 Safe Restart Grants for Local Governments" provided funding to the District of Peachland to address local operations impacted by COVID-19. This program allows Peachland to provide third-party grants to charitable, philanthropic and not-for profit organizations providing core community services during COVID-19. Council approved the following Safe Restart Grant Applications as follows:

- Peachland Legion #69 - \$10,000
- Peachland Museum/Historical Society - \$6,396.13
- Rotary Club of Peachland - \$10,000
- Peachland Wellness Centre - \$10,000
- Peachland Riding Club - \$10,000
- Peachland Chamber of Commerce - \$7,000
- Bat Education & Ecological Protection Society - \$10,000
- Peachland Little Schoolhouse Society - \$5,000
- Peachland Watershed Protection Alliance - \$2,200

BC Active Transportation Plan Grant Application

Council authorized staff to apply to the BC Active Transportation Grant Program for \$26,985 to develop an Active Transportation Network Plan for the District of Peachland in 2022. The project would develop a plan to better connect our residents and visitors to each other and to Peachland's businesses.

Funding Strategy and Cost Update: Water Treatment Plant and Trepanier Interconnect

Council approved the transfer of \$300,000 from the cash-in-lieu surplus account to the Water Improvement Reserve Fund and the transfer of \$900,000 from the Water Improvement Fund to the Capital Budget funds specific for the Water Treatment Plant and Trepanier Interconnect projects. These budgetary updates will cover deficits, contractor claims and cover costs for additional services as required. Some items identified through construction or operation are needed to ensure a reliable and efficient system moving forward.

Council Chambers

Council approved \$10,000 from the COVID-19 Safe Restart Grants for the purchase of three new Council tables. The new desks will allow for a safer distance between staff, the audience and Council. Existing Council tables will be repurposed into staff tables that will be interfaced with the new design.

Rise and Report – Censure

Council reported on an In Camera meeting held July 20, 2021 where they received a report concerning inappropriate actions by Councillor Coolio. The actions taken by Council to address the behavior was addressed in the report.