

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission

Thursday, May 21, 2026

9:00 AM

SIMS Boardroom
124 Rainbow Road
Salt Spring Island BC

PRESENT

COMMISSIONERS: E. Rook, G. Holman (Director), B. Corno, G. Baker, B. Webster,

STAFF: S. Henderson, General Manager, Electoral Area Services; D. Ovington, Senior Manager, SSI Administration; J. Starke, Senior Manager, SGI Administration (EP); K. Bittorf, Manager, SSI Parks and Recreation; M. Williamson, Committee Clerk, SSI Administration (Recorder)

GUESTS: I. Matous-Gibbs, Urban Matters (EP)

EP- Electronic Participation

These minutes follow the order of the agenda although the sequence may have varied.

The meeting was called to order at 09:03 am.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Commissioner Rook provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Commissioner Baker,
That agenda for the May 21, 2026, meeting of the Local Community Commission
be approved as amended to remove agenda Item 8.8.

CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. Minutes of April 16, 2026 Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission

MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Commissioner Corno,
That the minutes of the April 16, 2026 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Chair, Director, and Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Rook spoke regarding:
-Southern Gulf Island Economic Forum
-Joint meeting with Local Trust Committee

Commissioner Corno spoke regarding a meeting with Gulf Island Secondary School Environmental Club

Director Holman spoke regarding:
-Sustainable waste management in regional schools.
-CRD Board remuneration report for next term

Commissioner Baker spoke regarding:
-100 Women Who Care grant
-Salt Spring Foundation Grant-in-Aid review
-Boat Owners Action Team (BOAT) society registration

Commissioner Webster spoke regarding:
-North Salt Spring Waterworks District Annual General Meeting
-Inter-agency possible grant coordination on Salt Spring Island
-CRD Board remuneration report for next term

5. Senior Manager Report

There was no Senior Manager report.

6. Presentations/Delegations

6.1. Presentations

There were no presentations.

6.2. Delegations

6.2.1. Delegation: Kristin Peebles and Tim Hiltz, Salt Spring Island Foundation
Re: Item 7.1. Salt Spring Island Electoral Area 2026 Grant-In-Aid
Application - Spring Intake

K. Peebles and T. Hiltz spoke to agenda 7.1.

6.2.2. Delegation: Kaen Seguin, Sweetgrass Arts and Music Re: Item 7.1. Salt
Spring Island Electoral Area 2026 Grant-In-Aid Application - Spring Intake

K. Seguin spoke to agenda 7.1.

6.2.3. Delegation: Fred Williamson, SSI Resident Re: Item 7.4. Synthetic Ice Rink Donation

F. Williamson spoke to agenda 7.4.

6.2.4. Delegation: Christina Penhale, StageCoach School for the Performing Arts
Re: Item 7.1. Salt Spring Island Electoral Area 2026 Grant-In-Aid
Application - Spring Intake

C. Penhale spoke to agenda 7.1.

7. Commission Business

7.1. Salt Spring Island Electoral Area 2026 Grant-In-Aid Application - Spring Intake

MOVED by Director Holman, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Baker,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission approve the amount
for Lookout Housing and Health Society in the total of \$3,817.

MOVED by Director Holman, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Webster,
That the motion be amended to include the words "pending Lookout Housing
and Health Society partnering with a local Salt Spring Island-based group." after
the words "...in the total of \$3,817"

CARRIED

Opposed Baker, Rook

"That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission approve the amount
for Lookout Housing and Health Society in the total of \$3,817, pending Lookout
Housing and Health Society partnering with a local Salt Spring Island-based
group."

MOVED by Director Holman, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Webster,
Request that the motion be withdrawn from consideration.

CARRIED

Opposed Baker, Corno

That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission approve the amount
for Lookout Housing and Health Society in the total of \$3,817, pending Lookout
Housing and Health Society partnering with a local Salt Spring Island-based
group.

WITHDRAWN

MOVED by Director Holman, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Corno,
That consideration of the Grant-in aid application of Lookout Housing and Health
Society be deferred until staff contact Lookout Housing and Health Society for
additional information regarding partnering with a local Salt Spring Island-based
group.

DEFEATED

Opposed Baker, Corno, Rook

MOVED by Commissioner Baker, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission approve the amount
for Lookout Housing and Health Society in the total of \$3,817.

Commissioner Baker amended the motion arising.

"That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission approve the amount
for Lookout Housing and Health Society in the total of \$3,817 and that Appendix
A be amended to remove the amount of for Lookout Housing and Health
Society."

The question was called on the motion arising as amended.

That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission approve the amount

for Lookout Housing and Health Society in the total of \$3,817 and that Appendix A be amended to remove the amount of for Lookout Housing and Health Society.

CARRIED

Opposed Webster

MOVED by Director Holman, SECONDED by Commissioner Baker,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission deny the amount for Salt Spring Island Farmland Trust Society- Burgoyne Valley assessment in the total of \$5,000, with direction to staff to contact regarding possible funding options and that Appendix A be amended to remove the amount of for Salt Spring Island Farmland Trust Society- Burgoyne Valley assessment.

CARRIED

Opposed Baker, Webster

MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Commissioner Corno,
That consideration of the Grant-in aid application for SSI Community Services Arts grants be postponed until the June 11, 2026 Salt Spring Local Community Commission and that Appendix A be amended to remove the amount of for SSI Community Services Arts grants..

CARRIED

MOVED by Commissioner Webster,
That Appendix A be amended to reduce the amount for StageCoach School for the Performing Arts from \$5,000 to \$2,500.

FAILED

MOVED by Director Holman, SECONDED by Commissioner Webster,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission:
Approve the Grant-in-Aid applications to the applicants listed in Appendix A as amended with specific direction on amendments, in the amount of \$39,500; and

CARRIED

MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Director Holman,
That Appendix B be amended to remove the amount of \$5,000 for Patricia Blanchard and that the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission:
Approve the Grant-in-Aid applications to the applicants listed in Appendix B in the amount of \$2,839.20 subject to the application changes listed under Table 5.

CARRIED

MOVED by Commissioner Baker, SECONDED by Director Holman,
That consideration of agenda item 7.4. be moved before agenda item 7.2.

CARRIED

7.4. Synthetic Ice Rink Donation

**MOVED by Commissioner Baker, SECONDED by Commissioner Webster,
That the meeting be extended past the 3-hour scheduled time.
CARRIED**

**MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Commissioner Baker,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission identifies Rainbow
Recreation Centre as the preferred site for the temporary installation of the
synthetic ice rink and direct staff to report back on detailed costs associated with
installation and operation as well as potential funding partners and a
recommended operating model.**

Commissioner Webster amended the motion.

“That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission identifies Rainbow
Recreation Centre and Portlock Park as potential sites for the temporary
installation of the synthetic ice rink and direct staff to report back on detailed
costs associated with installation and operation as well as potential funding
partners and a recommended operating model.”

**MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Director Holman,
That the rules of the Capital Regional District Board Procedures Bylaw be
suspended to allow Fred Williamson to speak regarding agenda item 7.4.
CARRIED**

The question was called on the main motion arising as amended.

**That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission identifies Rainbow
Recreation Centre and Portlock Park as potential sites for the temporary
installation of the synthetic ice rink and direct staff to report back on detailed
costs associated with installation and operation as well as potential funding
partners and a recommended operating model.
CARRIED**

The Commission recessed at 12:33 pm.

The Commission reconvened at 1:05 pm.

**MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Director Holman,
That consideration for the following agenda item be postponed until a future
June 18 meeting of the Salt Spring Local Community Commission:
-Agenda Item 7.2.
-Agenda Item 7.3.
-Agenda Items under Agenda Item 8.
CARRIED**

7.5. Integrated Housing Strategy Action Plan- Long List

**MOVED by Commissioner Baker, SECONDED by Commissioner Webster,
That the rules of the Capital Regional District Board Procedures Bylaw be
suspended to allow Isha Matous-Gibbs and Tim Hiltz to speak regarding agenda
item 7.5.
CARRIED**

This report was received for information.

Discussion ensued regarding the Salt Spring Island Housing Action Long list
items and feedback on development of an updated draft.

The Commission recessed at 3:05 pm.

The Commission reconvened at 3:10 pm.

9. Motion to Close Meeting

9.1. Motion to Close Meeting

**MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Commissioner Corno,
That the meeting be closed for consideration of whether a council meeting
should be closed in accordance with Section 90(1)(n) of the Community Charter.
[1 Item]
CARRIED**

The Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission moved to the closed
session at 3:11pm.

The Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission rose from its closed
session at 3:14pm without report.

MOVED by Commissioner Rook, SECONDED by Commissioner Webster,

- 1. That the meeting be closed
for Proposed Service and Contract Negotiations in accordance with
Section 90(1)(k) of the Community Charter. [1 Item]**
- 2. That the meeting be closed for Land Acquisition/Disposition in
accordance with Section 90(1)(e) of the Community Charter. [2 Item]**
- 3. That such disclosures could reasonably be expected to harm the interests
of the Regional District. [3 Items]**

CARRIED

The Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission moved to the closed
session at 3:16pm.

The Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission rose from its closed
session at 4:04pm without report.

10. Adjournment

MOVED by Commissioner Baker, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Corno,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission adjourn the meeting at
4:04pm.
CARRIED

CHAIR

SENIOR MANAGER