



**REPORT TO ELECTORAL AREAS COMMITTEE
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2019**

SUBJECT: Pender Island Sheep Kill Compensation Claim – Grimmer Road

BACKGROUND

On February 16, 2019 Capital Regional District (CRD) Bylaw and Animal Care Services was contacted to report that there had been a livestock attack on property located on Grimmer Road, Pender Island. There was one sheep, a young pregnant ewe, killed. The incident occurred on February 15, 2019 at approximately 4 pm. Reports to the CRD were made within 12 hours of the incident. A CRD Bylaw Officer investigated and confirmed that the sheep was indeed attacked and killed by a dog and all reasonable precautions had been taken by the owner. After a thorough investigation and attempt to locate the dog(s) responsible, it could not be determined which animals were responsible for the attack.

CRD Bylaw No. 1465, sections 19-23 (Appendix A), has provisions to pay compensation to the owner of livestock killed or injured by any dog up to 75% of the decrease in market value to a maximum of \$750 per animal.

The authority for a Board to pass this provision in a bylaw is found in Section 319 (4) of the *Local Government Act*.

ALTERNATIVES

Alternative 1:

That the Electoral Area Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That payment be approved to Ms. Barbara Johnstone Grimmer, 2310 Grimmer Road, Pender Island in the amount of \$337.50, which is 75% of the decrease in market value of the total losses.

Alternative 2:

Do not approve payment.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The owner of the sheep from Grimmer Road stated in her compensation claim (Appendix B) that one sheep, a young pregnant ewe was killed and listed the value as \$450. CRD Bylaw staff consulted the local market and determined the claim of \$450 is fair market value for this loss.

Table 1 shows the compensation amount of 75% of market value for a total compensation of \$337.50. This will be paid from the Bylaw Services Operating Budget.

Table 1 – Compensation Claim

Animal	#	Market Value	Total
Pregnant Ewe	1	\$450	\$450
		75%	<u>\$337.50</u>

RECOMMENDATION

That the Electoral Area Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

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Submitted by:	Don Brown, Chief Bylaw Officer
Concurrence:	Shawn Carby, CD, BHSc, MAL, Senior Manager Protective Services
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Attachments: Appendix A – Compensation Excerpt from CRD Bylaw No. 1465
Appendix B – Compensation Claim by Barbara Johnstone Grimmer, 2310 Grimmer Road