

Meeting Minutes

Regional Water Supply Commission

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

11:30 AM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

PRESENT

COMMISSIONERS: G. Baird (Chair); K. Harper (Vice Chair); J. Caradonna;
N. Chambers; C. Coleman; Z. de Vries; S. Duncan (EP); C. Graham (EP); S. Gray;
C. Green; K. Guiry; S. Hammond (EP); S. Kim; D. Lajeunesse (EP); T. Morrison;
T. Phelps Bondaroff; J. Rogers (EP); C. Stock; M. Wagner; M. Westhaver (EP);
A. Wickheim

STAFF: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; A. Fraser, General Manager, Integrated Water Services; A. Constabel, Senior Manager, Watershed Protection; G. Harris, Senior Manager, Environmental Protection; J. Marr, Senior Manager, Infrastructure Engineering; S. Irg, Senior Manager, Infrastructure Water Operations; P. Nyhuus, Associate Legal Counsel, Legal and Risk Management; T. Duthie, Manager, Administration Services, Integrated Water Services; J. Zimmerman, Communications Coordinator; D. Dionne, Administrative Coordinator, Integrated Water Services; M. Risvold, Committee & Administrative Clerk, Integrated Water Services

REGRETS: K. Jordison

EP - Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am

1. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED by Commissioner Stock, and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Kim,
That the agenda be approved as circulated.
CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 [24-462](#) Adoption of the Minutes of the April 17, 2024 Meeting

Attachments: [Draft Minutes of the April 17, 2024 Meeting](#)

MOVED by Commissioner Green, and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Morrison,
That the Minutes of the April 17, 2024 Regional Water Supply Commission
meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

4. CHAIR'S REMARKS

The chair provided remarks on the following:

- The Capital Regional Districts' Drinking Water Symposium on May 2
- emergency management, disaster response
- new emergency management and disaster act
- Acknowledged staff for their work

5. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Fraser spoke to the following:

- Provided an update on the work plan that was provided at the beginning of 2024
- Watering bylaw and amendments to the bylaw
- Training for irrigation industry
- Summer outreach staff
- Development Cost Charges (DCC) program public engagement coming in June

Staff responded to questions regarding:

- Correspondence from First Nations
- Third party engagement for system design
- Point of time metering for water

Staff to circulate finalized links for the DCC public outreach as it rolls out.

7. COMMISSION BUSINESS

7.1 [24-434](#) Greater Victoria Drinking Water Quality - 2023 Annual Report

Attachments: [Staff Report: Greater Victoria Drinking Water Quality - 2023 Annual Report](#)
[Appendix A: Greater Victoria Drinking Water Quality - 2023 Annual Report](#)

G. Harris spoke to item 7.1.

Staff responded questions regarding:

- Turbidity
- Ability to provide a smaller version for the public - taken as feedback and consideration for future
- Fire and emergency storage balancing
- Smith Hill Reservoir and its ability to be used for emergency storage
- Seismic resilience for dams and regional reservoirs
- Charters creek

The commission thanked staff for the report.

MOVED by Commissioner Phelps-Bondaroff, and SECONDED by Commissioner Coleman,

The Regional Water Supply Commission recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the Greater Victoria Drinking Water Quality 2023 Annual Report be approved.

CARRIED

7.2 [24-459](#) Summary of Recommendations from Other Water Commissions

Attachments: [Summary of Recommendations from Other Commissions](#)

7.3 [24-460](#) Water Watch Report

Attachments: [Water Watch Report](#)

8. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

9. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

10. MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING

10.1 [24-461](#) Motion to Close the Meeting

The Commission moved into closed session at 12:03 pm.

MOVED by Commissioner Stock, and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Green,
That the meeting be closed for Intergovernmental Relations in accordance with
Community Charter, Part 4, Division 3, Section 90(2)(b).
CARRIED

11. RISE AND REPORT

The Commission rose from its closed session at 12:55 pm without report.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Chambers, and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Guiry,
That the May 15, 2024 Regional Water Supply Commission meeting be adjourned
at 12:55 pm.
CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY