

Meeting Minutes

Environmental Services Committee

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

1:30 PM

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

PRESENT

Directors: B. Desjardins (Chair), S. Tobias (Vice Chair), J. Bateman (for M. Tait) (EP), J. Brownoff (EP), J. Caradonna, G. Holman (1:35 pm) (EP), D. Kobayashi (EP), D. Murdock (EP), D. Thompson, A. Wickheim (EP)

Staff: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Jones, General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Environmental Services; R. Smith, Senior Manager, Environmental Resource Management; N. Elliott, Manager, Climate Action Programs; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; J. Dorman, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: Director(s) M. Tait, C. Plant

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Vice Chair Tobias provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Thompson, **SECONDED** by Director Caradonna,
That the agenda for the May 15, 2024 Environmental Services Committee meeting
be approved.
CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [24-483](#) Minutes of the April 17, 2024 Environmental Services Committee Meeting

MOVED by Director Caradonna, **SECONDED** by Director Tobias,
That the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting of April 17,
2024 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

Chair Desjardins thanked the staff for all their work on the Biosolids Literature Review update.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. Committee Business

6.1. [24-449](#) Hartland Public Drop-off Depot - Expanded Hours Pilot

R. Smith presented Item 6.1. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- cost of service
- monitoring waste levels and illegal dumping
- feedback from residents
- product exclusions

Director Holman joined the meeting electronically at 1:35 pm.

6.2. [24-468](#) Increasing Direct-Current Fast-Charge/Level 3 Chargers in the Region

N. Elliott presented Item 6.2. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- grant leveraging and municipal collaboration
- EV charging location map and Electoral Area breakdown

6.3. [24-486](#) Bylaw No. 4607 - Electric Vehicles Charging and Fees Bylaw No. 1, 2024

N. Elliott spoke to Item 6.3.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- EV charging fees and schedules
- violation and infraction enforcement

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Thompson,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional
District Board:**

- 1. That Bylaw No. 4607, "Electric Vehicles Charging and Fees Bylaw No. 1, 2024", be introduced and read a first, second and third time; and**
- 2. That Bylaw No. 4607 be adopted.**
- 3. That Bylaw No. 4611, "Capital Regional District Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 79, 2024", be introduced and read a first, second and third time; and**
- 4. That Bylaw No. 4611 be adopted.**

CARRIED

- 6.4. [24-484](#) Bylaw No. 4610 - Hartland Landfill Tipping Fee and Regulation Bylaw No. 6, 2013, Amendment Bylaw No. 5, 2024

R. Smith spoke to Item 6.4.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- demolition and renovation waste
- clean versus salvageable wood waste

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Tobias,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional
District Board:**

1. That Bylaw No. 4610, "Hartland Landfill Tipping Fee and Regulation Bylaw No. 6, 2013, Amendment Bylaw No. 5, 2023", be read a first, second and third time; and
2. That Bylaw No. 4610 be adopted.

CARRIED

6.5. [24-406](#) Biosolids Literature Review - Update

B. Desjardins spoke to Item 6.5.

Discussion ensued on the provincial application of biosolids.

MOVED by Director Caradonna, **SECONDED** by Director Tobias,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

1. Direct staff to continue the process of identifying suitable academic researchers to undertake an independent biosolids literature review, and report back to the Environmental Services Committee.
2. That staff be directed to proceed with an independent unbiased legal review of:
 - a) the risks associated with the legal land application of biosolids; and
 - b) the risks associated if noncompliant with the provincial regulatory framework for biosolids.

MOVED by Director Thompson, **SECONDED** by Director Caradonna,
That the main motion be amended in 2. a) to delete the word "legal" and add the words "that is compliant with the provincial regulatory framework" after the words "land application of biosolids".

Opposed: Wickheim

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Caradonna, **SECONDED** by Director Tobias,
That the main motion be amended in 2. to replace the words "to proceed" with the words "report back to the Environmental Services Committee prior to proceeding".

CARRIED

The question was called on the main motion as amended:

The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

1. Direct staff to continue the process of identifying suitable academic researchers to undertake an independent biosolids literature review, and report back to the Environmental Services Committee.
2. That staff be directed to report back to the Environmental Services Committee prior to proceeding with an independent unbiased legal review of:
 - a) the risks associated with the land application of biosolids that is compliant with the provincial regulatory framework; and
 - b) the risks associated if noncompliant with the provincial regulatory framework for biosolids.

CARRIED

6.6. [24-487](#) Previous Minutes of Other CRD Committees and Commissions for Information

The following minutes were received for information:

- a) Solid Waste Advisory Committee - May 3, 2024

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no notice(s) of motion.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Caradonna, **SECONDED** by Director Thompson,
That the May 15, 2024 Environmental Services Committee meeting be adjourned
at 2:47 pm.
CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDER