

DISTRICT OF UCLUELET
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
HELD IN THE UCLUELET COMMUNITY CENTRE, 500 MATTERSON DRIVE
Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Present: **Chair:** Mayor McEwen
 Council: Councillors Hoar, Kennington, and Maftai
 Staff: Duane Lawrence, Chief Administrative Officer
 Samantha McCullough, Executive Assistant

Regrets: Councillor Anderson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The June 20, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 4:01 PM.

1.1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE YUULU?I?ATH
Council acknowledged the Yuulu?i?ath, on whose traditional territories the District of Ucluelet operates.

1.2 NOTICE OF VIDEO RECORDING
Audience members and delegates were advised that this proceeding was being video recorded and broadcast on YouTube and Zoom, which may store data on foreign servers.

2. LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3.1 June 20, 2023 Committee of the Whole - Societies Agenda

2023.2024.COW *It was moved and seconded **THAT** the June 20, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda be approved as presented.*

CARRIED.

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Westcoast Inland Search and Rescue
Marcie Dewitt, President and Search Manager

Ms. Dewitt described the spring season for Westcoast Inland Search and Rescue. WISR is conducting a new intake of volunteers this summer and fall, including a 90 hour training program. There are approximately 10-15 active members.

4.2 Alberni Clayoquot Health Network

Marcie Dewitt, Coordinator

Ms. Dewitt provided an overview of the Health Network's regional programs such as their transportation initiatives, poverty reduction work, and funding advocacy. The Health Network plans to conduct a needs assessment for medical transportation to services outside the Tofino/Ucluelet region.

4.3 Coastal Family Resource Coalition Presentation
Faye Missar

The upcoming Coastal Family Resource Coalition meeting will be held in-person in September. Ms. Missar outlined the Coalition's Holistic Healing Centre Project and noted the need for letters. The Coalition is reviewing the need for a substance checking centre in Tofino.

The Committee discussed the Substance Use Research Centre at the University of Victoria.

4.4 Westcoast Community Resources Society Presentation
Jill McQuaid, Housing Manager

Ms. McQuaid described the Society's programming and noted grant funding received from Clayoquot Biosphere Trust to provide critical incident stress debriefing training. Ms. McQuaid also discussed the Society's involvement in the the District's rapid housing initiative.

4.5 CARE Network Presentation
James Rodgers, Executive Director

The CARE Network did not present.

4.6 Wild Pacific Trail Society Presentation
Joshua McCullough, Trail Naturalist

Mr. McCullough described programming offered by the Society and outlined ongoing partnerships with other organizations. The Wild Pacific Trail Society will be attending Ukee Days.

4.7 Ucluelet Children's Centre
Kathy de Vries, Daycare Manager

The Ucluelet and Area Child Care Society did not present.

4.8 Tourism Ucluelet
Denise Stys-Norman, Executive Director

Ms. Stys-Norman described Tourism Ucluelet's Visitors Services Task Force, Sustainability Committee, and their work to reduce tourism impacts including marketing changes and stakeholder supports.

Ms. Stys-Norman noted advocacy related to the Highway 4 closures and encouraged impacted businesses to contact Tourism Ucluelet and participate in the Chamber of Commerce survey.

4.9 Food Bank on the Edge Society
Food Bank Representative

Cris Martin, Executive Director, thanked Council for their contribution to the Food Bank relocation project. The Food Bank has been able to run without many issues during the Highway 4 closure. They are currently working on their building project/land lease.

4.10 Surfrider Pacific Rim
Sophie Peters, Chapter Coordinator

Ms. Peters provide a comprehensive overview of Surfrider Pacific Rim programming. Surfrider wishes to collaborate with the District on their 'Hold Onto Your Butts' campaign and find a location for cigarette butt drop off in Ucluelet.

4.11 Redd Fish Restoration Society
Megan Francis, General Manager

The Redd Fish Restoration Society, formerly known as Central West Coast Society, employs 30 staff members focused on habitat restoration and protection of water sheds. Ms. Francis noted the Society's work on many projects including but not limited to landslide stabilization in Hesquiaht Harbour, emergency fish salvages, environmental monitoring for local BC Hydro projects and the Society's summer night program which consists of workshops and music at their shop in Ucluelet.

4.12 Pacific Rim Rotary Club
Pacific Rim Rotary Club representative Laurie Gehrke

There are 24 active members in the Club, which conducts a variety of events and projects in collaboration with other community groups. Ms. Gehrke noted a soft opening of the Frisbee Golf Course in October.

4.13 Ucluelet and Area Historical Society
Barb Gudbranson, President

Ms. Gudbranson provided an overview of the Japanese Legacy Fund and the design for the proposed Japanese Pavilion. She noted that the

Society is seeking storage option for historical items. The Society will attend Ukee Days.

4.14 Call for other Representatives from Local Community Groups

Ucluelet Chamber of Commerce

Josh Jenkins, Executive Director

- Mr. Jenkins introduced himself and outlined plans to reinvigorate Chamber initiatives and community involvement.

Pacific Rim Arts Society

Kelly Deakin, Executive Director

- Ms. Deakin noted the Pacific Rim Arts Society Summer Festival takes place annually between July 1st and 21st. This festival consists of music and art.
- Ms. Deakin noted decreases in grant funding, upcoming events, and an upcoming callout for new board members.

Toastmasters

Marilyn McEwen

- Mayor McEwen noted Toastmaster open houses on September 11th and 25th. Leadership and public speaking training will be provided.

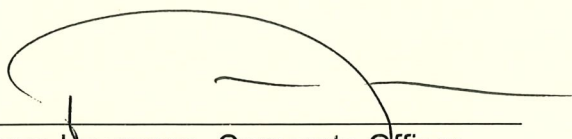
5. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

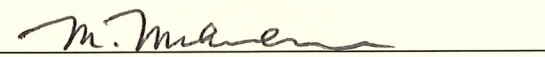
6. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 5:06 PM.

CERTIFIED CORRECT: Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 4:00 pm in the Ucluelet Community Centre, 500 Matterson Road, Ucluelet, BC.



Duane Lawrence, Corporate Officer



Marilyn McEwen, Mayor