

WESTEND REGIONAL SEWAGE SERVICES COMMISSION
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD IN THE TOWN OF BLACK DIAMOND COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2022 AT 1:00 PM

PRESENT

(In Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted)

Chair John Waring, Vice-Chair Ted Bain, Directors Garry Raab and Heather Thomson
Treasurer Liza Zeer, Secretary Verna Staples

MPE: Kim Schurtz, Ryan Fitzsimmons, Debjani Mukherjee

REGRETS

Public Works Manager Tom Dougall

Call to Order and Presentations

Vice-Chair Ted Bain agreed to chair the meeting, at the request of Chair John Waring. Vice-Chair Ted Bain called the meeting to Order at 1:00 pm.

Agenda - Addenda and Adoption

Moved by Chair John Waring that the Commission agree to adopt the Agenda, as presented. **Res. 2022-144**

MOTION CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Westend Regional Sewage Services Commission held July 27, 2022

Moved by Director Heather Thomson that the Commission agree to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Westend Regional Sewage Services Commission, held July 27, 2022, as presented. **Res. 2022-145**

MOTION CARRIED

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Westend Regional Sewage Services Commission held August 4, 2022

Moved by Director Garry Raab that the Commission agree to adopt the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Westend Regional Sewage Services Commission, held August 4, 2022, as presented. **Res. 2022-146**

MOTION CARRIED

Delegations

Delegation Presentations

None scheduled

Delegation Decisions

None required

Administrative Reports

MPE's Report Update

Moved by Chair John Waring that the Commission agree to accept MPE's Report for information purposes.

Res. 2022-147

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Chair John Waring that the Commission agree that a letter, signed by the Chair, be sent to John Thomson, ordering that:

Res. 2022-148

- the cattle be removed from Westend Regional Sewage Services Commission (WRSSC) lands immediately to prevent any further damage to the construction site, and
- that the Commission will be providing an invoice for the damages caused by the cattle, and
- that no further grazing opportunities will be considered by WRSSC until such time as the construction is completed. At that time, a new lease will be required to continue grazing on WRSSC lands.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Director Garry Raab that the Commission agree that the Operator be directed to contact John Thomson to notify him that he is required to remove the cattle immediately, and further to verify that the cattle are removed as direct, and to report back at the subsequent meeting of the Commission on this removal.

Res. 2022-149

MOTION CARRIED

Operator's Report

Moved by Director Garry Raab that the Commission agree to accept the Operator's Report for information purposes.

Res. 2022-150

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Chair John Waring that the Commission agree to send a letter to the Town of Turner Valley, informing them of the pump blockages at the Turner Valley lift station, and request that the Town investigate the origin of the blockage material.

Res. 2022-151

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Vice-Chair Ted Bain that the Commission agree that any future pump blockages be identified or analyzed for follow up actions.

Res. 2022-152

MOTION CARRIED

Secretary/Treasurer Report

Moved by Chair John Waring that the Commission agree to accept the Secretary/Treasurer Report for information.

Res. 2022-153

MOTION CARRIED

Financial

Financial Reports

- **Accounts Payable**
- **Cheque Log**
- **Balance Sheet and Income Statement**

Moved by Director Heather Thomson that the Commission agree to accept the Financial Reports for information purposes.

Res. 2022-154

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

Actions Arising from JFAC Motions

Moved by Director Garry Raab that the Commission agree to direct Administration to draft a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, for the Chair's signature, requesting that the Commission be extended to December 31, 2024 to permit amalgamation proceedings to happen and to allow the Commission to continue to manage the Lagoon Upgrade project to completion.

Res. 2022-155

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Vice-Chair Ted Bain that the Commission agree to direct Administration to review and prepare any necessary amendments to Bylaw 2021-01, including the proposed changes to Section 8 "Directors".

Res. 2022-156

MOTION CARRIED

Notices of Motion

None submitted

Round Table Discussion

No items to discuss

Recess/Reconvene

Vice-Chair Ted Bain declared a Recess at 1:45 pm for five (5) minutes.

The meeting was Reconvened at 1:50 pm by Vice-Chair Ted Bain.

Closed Session (In-Camera)

Lagoon Project Updates - FOIP 25(1)(c), 27

Moved by Director Garry Raab that the Commission agree to move to a Closed Session at 1:50 pm to discuss Lagoon Project Updates, in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, sections 25(1)(c) and 27.

Res. 2022-157

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Chair John Waring that the Commission agree to revert to an Open meeting at 3:30 pm.

Res. 2022-158

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Director Garry Raab that the Commission request that the Chair and Vice-Chair reach out to MLA RJ Sigurdson to discuss delays in EPEA approval processes.

Res. 2022-159

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Chair John Waring that the Commission agree to request that Administration arrange a meeting as soon as possible with the WRSSC Directors and Director Knaus of Alberta Environment and Parks, regarding the status of the EPEA approval.

Res. 2022-160

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Vice-Chair Ted Bain that the Commission agree to request that Administration explore alternate financing options including the possibility of increasing the Commission's debt limit.

Res. 2022-161

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment

As there was no further business, the meeting was Adjourned at 3:07 pm by Vice-Chair Ted Bain.



John Waring, Chair



Verna Staples, Secretary

