DISTRICT OF UCLUELET

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD IN THE UCLUELET COMMUNITY CENTRE, 500 MATTERSON DRIVE Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Present:

Chair:

Mayor McEwen

Council:

Councillors Anderson, Hoar, Kennington, and Maftei

Staff:

Duane Lawrence, Chief Administrative Officer

Donna Monteith, Chief Financial Officer

Abby Fortune, Director of Parks and Recreation Joseph Rotenberg, Manager of Corporate Services

Samantha McCullough, Executive Assistant

Sam Parent, Finance Manager

Regrets:

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

1.1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE YUUŁU?IŁ?ATḤ
Council acknowledged the Yuułu?ił?atḥ, on whose traditional territories the District of Ucluelet operates.

1.2 NOTICE OF VIDEO RECORDING

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2. LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3.1 January 31, 2023, Committee of the Whole Agenda

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It was moved and seconded **THAT** the January 31, 2023, Committee of the Whole Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

4. REPORTS

4.1 2023 Grant in Aid and In-Kind Contributions Donna Monteith, Director of Finance

Ms. Monteith presented this report and noted that Grant in Aid and In-Kind Contribution awards will be determined at a future regular meeting of Council.

5. DELEGATIONS

5.1 Ucluelet Aquarium Society *Britt Buirs, Curator*

Jess Cloutier, Communications Coordinator, presented on behalf of the Ucluelet Aquarium Society. The Society is seeking funding to install a permanent skeleton articulation display of a Dall's Porpoise and White-Sided Dolphin.

5.2 Ucluelet and Area Child Care Society Kathy de Vries

Kathy de Vries provided an update on programming, enrollment, staffing (including shortages), training opportunities, District support, changing fees structures, and the Society's work toward developing additional capacity.

5.3 Westcoast Community Resources Society Carrie Ho, Interim Executive Director

Laurie Hanna, Executive Director, Westcoast Community Resources Society, outlined the Society's mandate, service areas and programing. The Society's In-Kind Contribution request would reduce their monthly rent at the Hub in the Ucluelet Community Centre and would be used to host annual Community Holiday Brunch.

5.4 Food Bank on the Edge Cris Martin, President

Cris Martin outlined the Food Bank's 2022 Grant in Aid project, and noted the Society's community partners, funding sources, 2022 projects and increased demand for services. The Food Bank is withdrawing their Grant-In-Aid request for \$2,000.00. The In-Kind Contribution request is to use space at the Ucluelet Community Centre and the Sea Plane Base.

Mayco Noël, Food Bank on the Edge Director, provided an update on the Food Bank's building project.

5.5 Pacific Rim Hospice Society Tarni Jacobsen, Executive Director

Tarni Jacobsen outlined the Society's Grant-In-Aid request for funding for their Registered Councillor. This position provides one on one grief counselling and facilitates the Society's Youth Peer Mentorship Programs. Ms. Jacobsen also outlined the Society's mandate and some of the Society's other programs.

5.6 Pacific Rim Rotary Club Mary Brunet, Club Secretary

Laurie Gherkie, Pacific Rim Rotary Club, outlined the Club's programs and partnerships. She went on to outline the In-Kind Contribution request which would be used for for a meeting space and Club social gatherings.

5.7 Strawberry Isle Marine Research Society Karyssa Arnett, Executive Director

Sophie Vanderbanck, Strawberry Isle Marine Research Society Program Coordinator, addressed Council questions about Build a Whale program fees which would be waived if Grant-In-Aid funding were provided. Ms. Vanderbanck also noted that the five to ten events referenced in the Society's application would be held in Ucluelet and Tofino.

5.8 Ucluelet and Area Historical Society Barb Gudbranson, President

Barb Gudbranson outlined the Society's In-kind Contribution request for use of the Ucluelet Community Centre facilities for board meetings, their annual Mothers Day Plant Sale, and a mobile museum.

5.9 Ucluelet Junior Canadian Rangers Bernadette Herbert, Adult Committee Chair

5.10 Sea View Seniors Housing Society Forest Glen *Cathy Whitcomb, Admin*

Cathy Whitcomb provided on update on navigating COVID-19, staffing and the Society's mandate. Ms. Whitcomb went on to outline the Seniors Volunteering with Seniors Program, included lunch-ins, as well as the Seniors Sunshine Club. The Society is seeking Grant-In-Aid funding to reinstate their lunch-in program.

5.11 Surfrider Pacific Rim Sophie Peters, Beach Clean-Up Coordinator

Laurie Hanna, Surfrider Pacific Rim Volunteer, explained Grant-In-Aid funds would be used to support the Love Your Beach Program. The In-Kind Contribution request is related to the Earth Day celebration.

5.12 Pacific Rim Arts Society Kelly Deakin, Executive Director

Kelly Deakin explained that Grant-In-Aid funds would be used to support for the 2023 Summer Festival. She noted that a Youth Committee has been convened to create, coordinate and execute a youth event.

5.13 Pacific Rim Whale Festival Society Sarah Watt, Festival Coordinator

Sarah Watt outlined 2023 Whale Festival events, website improvements, and the Society's In-Kind Contribution request to host Festival events at the Ucluelet Community Centre and their Grant-In-Aid funding request to support the Chowder Chow Down event and the Ucluelet Closing Party.

Councillor Maftei recused himself at 5:11 PM, as he is the Executive Director of the Raincoast Education Society.

5.14 Raincoast Education Society Sarah Timberlake

Sarah Timberlake noted the need for high quality programming for youth, which is provided by the Society's Field School. This program is offered to students of SD70 and provided by certified teachers. The Grant-in-Aid funding requested would offset 13% of the cost of the Field School programming offered in Ucluelet.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Maftei returned to the meeting at 5:16 PM after Item 5.14 concluded.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 PM

CERTIFIED CORRECT: Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 4:00 pm in the Ucluelet Community Centre, 500 Matterson Road, Ucluelet, BC.

Duane Lawrence, Corporate Officer

Marilyn McEwen, Mayor