



**Town of Mulgrave  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Sept 18th 2018**

**Present:** Mayor Hadley, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Russell, Councillor Snow, CAO Jim Davis

**Regrets:** Deputy Mayor Brophy

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Mayor Hadley.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by C'lr Chisholm and seconded by C'lr Russell that the agenda be approved as circulated with the following additions**

**-Policy C-13 Poultry & Farm Animals**

**Motion Carried**

**3. Minutes**

**Moved by C'lr Chisholm and seconded by C'lr Snow that the minutes of Sept 4th, 2018 be approved as presented .**

**Motion Carried**

**4. Reports/Presentations**

**Financial Report**

**No significant variances noted in General revenue fund to the end of August 2018.**

**Water Utility impacted by delay in installation of wye by PHP**

**Recreation Report**

**The report was reviewed by Council. Noted activities were very successful events including Senior Fund Days, Scotia Days & School Reunion .Also of note were the summer day camps and soccer attended by Mulgrave youth and youth from the surrounding area. Major improvements have been and are being carried out on the Trans Canada Trail funded by Trail Grants and In Kind work by the PW department. The after school program has been applied for as well as Facility Access grant.**

## Public Works

It was noted in the report for the months of July and August :

- the patching of the streets has been completed
  - three properties cleared of old dwelling units
  - huge trees on Town property were removed due to endangerment to property owner
  - major carpentry repairs and painting to the school continues, will continue up to approved amt
  - new roof on pool building and fixed soffit and siding issues
  - continuing to assist on trail improvements and widening of trails
  - boardwalk with lighting extended at Venus Cove (under budget)
  - continued day to day maintenance as well as grass cutting, painting, normal water and sewer issues
  - due to the school repairs going well, the Superintendent feels he can start the sidewalk capital project. He asked for clarification on type of sidewalk to install, concrete versus asphalt(Council agreed on asphalt)
- Clr Chisholm noted public works employee Cameron has passed his Operator in Training Exam

## Water & Other

The reports for water noted regular water treatment duties including:

- daily monitoring of water treatment plant functions for adherence to water quality standards.
- operating repairs to plant and standpipe functions as required(including altitude valve)
- set up community pool with proper chemical mixture and taught staff how to maintain
- school repairs including air handling units, recycling pumps, school power issues
- fire hall electrical work ,new lights, canopy lights, heat trace etc were installed and/or repaired

## Wastewater report

The report noted the carrying out of regular wastewater duties including:

- daily monitoring of wastewater treatment functions for adherence to environmental standards
- repairs to Main St WWTP including removal of sludge pump for repairs, work on blower#1 and replacement of two isolation valves. Also will replace clarification tank to allow accurate flowrate measurement
- repairs to Loggie Street WWTP included replacement of air intake fan &painting of interior walls

## Farmer's Market Funding

C'lr Snow brought forward a request from the Farmer's Market group and would like Council to consider a grant of \$500 to contribute to their budget. Mayor Hadley suggested that Council would like to have a review of the numbers to allow an educated decision to be made. C'lr Snow agreed to contact them for the numbers.

## 5. Addition to Agenda

### Poultry and Farm Animals

C'lr Russell stated he had obtained various copies of Town Council minutes from 2014 indicating that there is a Poultry and Farm Animals policy (C-13).He noted the policy is directed towards the following example 'by keeping poultry and farm animals inside buildings, in pens, cages or other devices.' He suggested the policy could be strengthened .

**Poultry and Farm Animals-Continued**

Moved by C’lr Russell and sec’d by C’lr Chisholm that Council review Policy C-13 ‘Poultry and Farm Animals’ for the purpose of strengthening it and further that the CAO follow up with other municipalities to determine what they may have in place to regulate the keeping of poultry and farm animals.

C’lr Snow declared a conflict of interest.

Motion Carried

Also discussed was the situation at the duck pond with the matter of ducks and geese on Main St. It was agreed that it is a very difficult problem to resolve as many of the fowl are wild. C’lr Snow noted she is working on improvements to the park, with the assistance of the Mayor and public works. Part of the duck pond project may be the inclusion of a fence to alleviate the water fowl congestion in the area.

**7. Gallery**

-an inquiry was made on the status of the Noise By-law that was brought up at the June meeting. A by-law was presented for the consideration of Council in 2011. Also it was noted that the discussion of enforcement was discussed at a CAO’s area meeting and that the enforcement of a noise by-law would be carried out by the RCMP. This was confirmed in discussions with the Staff Sargent of the local detachment of the RCMP.

-a further discussion took place on the noise from industry and commerce and it was felt that the community has proven itself to be, historically , a very tolerant community

**IN CAMERA**

At 7:15 pm the Town Council moved into an In Camera session with Mayor Hadley declaring a conflict of interest on the only item being discussed and left the meeting.

The Town Council returned from the In Camera session. The recommendation from the In Camera session was that the Town Council stands by the position that Strait of Canso Superport Corporation is obligated to pay the charges levied under Section 81 of the MGA.

**Adjournment**

Moved by C’lr Russell and sec’d by C’lr Snow that the meeting adjourn.

Adjournment at:7:34

Motion c’rd

Minutes approved by:

Minutes recorded by:

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Mayor Ralph Hadley

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CAO Jim Davis