



VILLAGE OF ANMORE

INAUGURAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Inaugural Council Meeting held on Monday, December 1st, 2014 in the portable classroom at Anmore Elementary School, 30 Elementary Road, Anmore, BC

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor John McEwen
Councillor Ryan Froese
Councillor Ann-Marie Thiele
Councillor Paul Weverink

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Councillor Kim Trowbridge

STAFF PRESENT

Tim Harris, Chief Administrative Officer
Karen-Ann Cobb, Manager of Corporate Services
Carmen Disiewich, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT

Constable Colin Kent, Coquitlam RCMP
Constable Ryan Smith, Coquitlam RCMP

1. OPEN MEETING

Karen-Ann Cobb, Manager of Corporate Services opened the meeting.

2. OATH OF OFFICE

Karen-Ann Cobb, Manager of Corporate Services administered the Oath of Office to:

Mayor-elect	John McEwen
Councillor-elect	Ryan Froese
Councillor-elect	Ann-Marie Thiele
Councillor-elect	Paul Weverink

3. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor McEwen to call the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

4. MAYOR McEWEN'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Good evening and thank you all for joining us this evening in sharing a new era in Anmore governance.

It's with great honour as your new elected Mayor that I welcome you to your newly elected Council.

4. MAYOR McEWEN'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS (Continued)

I would first like to take this opportunity to thank departing members, Councillor Green, Councillor Palmer Isaak, and Mayor Anderson for their committed service to our Village for the past years.

I would also like to thank staff and our consultants for their continuing effort and passion for our community. I look forward to listening and working with you all.

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all newly elected Councillors. Unfortunately newly elected Councillor Trowbridge couldn't join us due to previous commitments, yet will be sworn in next Tuesday, December 9th.

With being on Council for the past six years and having a good understanding of the challenges our community faces, it's extremely comforting having (which I believe) is such an eager and diverse group on this Council to address issues with a balance approach.

Over the coming months Council Members will undergo basic training through various resources, which in turn will bring everyone up to speed relating to the operation and current issues facing the Village.

I am hoping with Council's support to immediately revamp our communication strategy which in turn will hopefully provide greater engagement, accountability, and transparency throughout our community.

I would also like to review our procedural bylaw with Staff and Council in hopes of streamlining the political process. An example of this yet not limited too would be; ensuring timely/expanded minutes, as well as action items included within all council and committee agendas.

While still fresh in everyone's minds, I would also like to initiate a review of our elections bylaws. Do we really want election signs?

During my campaign, I fully supported the commencement of a full capital asset review to ascertain the financial liabilities the Village currently faces, and prioritizing the results from the long overdue water modelling report. I am hoping both these items can be executed within the first couple of months in the New Year.

4. MAYOR McEWEN'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS (Continued)

With the help of Council, I would like the Youth and Social Committee to retain prominence in our community. I am hoping this can be achieved through consultation with all parties within our first few meetings as well to avail it a broader scope and responsibilities.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the support and understanding that comes from our families for the time commitments this job entails. Especially in my case with my son, Justin. Thank you so much for always being there for me buddy.

5. COUNCILLOR FROESE'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote this past municipal election. Anmore was among the highest of all municipalities. I look forward to working with everyone elected and all the great Village Hall Staff.

6. COUNCILLOR THIELE'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

I'd like to begin by thanking the residents of Anmore who participated in our recent municipal election. I am always heartened when I see people lined up at our voting station. For me, it's an affirmation of the strength of democracy and our free society and the validity of every voice in our community.

While Anmore continues, as ever, to grow and change, I remind myself that Anmore-as-we-know-it-today is built on the shoulders of the past. The qualities that so many of us love about Anmore – its proximity to nature; its peaceful, quiet atmosphere; the small-town feel and strong community spirit - endure today, not by chance or circumstance, but because our past residents and leaders chose for it to be this way. I will work to protect these qualities while ensuring that Anmore becomes a fiscally sustainable, thriving community. I am hopeful that the spirit of The Anmore Concept – conceived by former Mayor Hal Weinberg - will continue to guide us as we face the challenges of the future.

As a Councillor, I will continue to respect and listen to the opinions of all residents, not limiting myself to those whose views reflect my own, or those whose are most convenient and conventional. I will strive to approach issues with an open mind and make thoughtful, well-informed decisions. I will respect the rule of law, and remain open and transparent in the work of Council, while respecting the privacy and safety of our residents, staff and Council.

6. COUNCILLOR THIELE'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS (Continued)

I look forward to working with my fellow council members – Mayor John McEwen, and Councillors Ryan Froese, Kim Trowbridge and Paul Weverink – as we work toward our common goal of ensuring that Anmore remains a truly unique place to live.

My work on council is done in the spirit of service. I am honoured to be able to continue to serve my fellow community members, and look forward to a fruitful, productive term as your Councillor.

7. COUNCILLOR WEVERINK'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Many years ago, some forward thinking individuals decided that our unique community, at the time, part of Electoral District A, should stand alone as an independent Village. On Dec. 7th, 1987, The Village of Anmore was officially incorporated. Fast forward and here we are, standing together as the new Council, 27 years after that historic date, ready to take on the challenges and responsibilities of managing a very young and rapidly developing community.

I would like to thank the residents of Anmore for electing me to office as Councillor. I would also like to congratulate Mayor McEwen and my fellow councillors for their success in this past election and of course, my thanks and recognition to past Mayors and Councillors as well as Village Staff for their hard work over the years to create the community known as Anmore.

Finally, I want to thank my family for supporting me in my decision to run for Council. I am excited to be here and very much looking forward to the next four years. We have much to do. The Village is facing financial challenges, there are concerns about our water infrastructure, there are concerns about how we will develop some of the larger tracts of land left in the Village and we still do not have a permanent Village Hall? I know that with the leadership of Mayor McEwen, this Council will be able to address the challenges facing this community. I know we can work together as a council and with our Village staff to ensure that Anmore is a better and even more viable community at the end of our 4 year term. Thank you.

Mayor McEwen thanked Constable Colin Kent and Constable Ryan Smith for attending this evening and noted that they had to leave to attend the Village of Belcarra's Inaugural meeting.

8. APPOINTMENTS OF ACTING MAYOR

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

**“THAT THE APPOINTMENT OF THE ACTING MAYOR BE AS FOLLOWS:
COUNCILLOR FROESE FOR THE MONTHS OF DECEMBER, JANUARY AND
FEBRUARY, COUNCILLOR THIELE THE MONTHS OF MARCH, APRIL AND
MAY, COUNCILLOR TROWBRIDGE THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND
AUGUST AND COUNCILLOR WEVERINK FOR THE MONTHS OF
SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER.”**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. APPOINTMENT OF METRO VANCOUVER DIRECTOR

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

**“THAT MAYOR McEWEN BE APPOINTED AS A DIRECTOR OF THE METRO
VANCOUVER BOARD AND FURTHER THAT COUNCILLOR FROESE BE
APPOINTED AS THE ALTERNATE.”**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. APPOINTMENT OF SIGNING AUTHORITIES

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

**“THAT MAYOR McEWEN BE APPOINTED AS THE AUTHORIZED COUNCIL
SIGNATORY FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANMORE AND IN HIS ABSENCE THAT
COUNCILLOR FROESE BE THE ALTERNATE COUNCIL SIGNATORY;**

**AND FURTHER THAT TIM HARRIS, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER IS
THE STAFF SIGNATORY FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANMORE AND THAT
KAREN-ANN COBB, MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES IS THE
ALTERNATE STAFF SIGNATORY;**

**AND FURTHER THAT THERE MUST BE ONE COUNCIL SIGNATORY AND
ONE STAFF SIGNATORY ON ALL VILLAGE CHEQUES.”**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mayor McEwen announced the various Committee Chairs.

- (a) Parks and Recreation – Councillors Trowbridge & Weverink**
- (b) Protective Services – Councillor Thiele**
- (c) Environment – Councillor Froese**
- (d) Finance Committee – All members of Council**

12. SASAMAT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“THAT MAYOR McEWEN, COUNCILLOR TROWBRIDGE AND COUNCILLOR WEVERINK BE APPOINTED AS TRUSTEES TO THE SASAMAT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. COUNCIL LIAISON TO THE ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“THAT COUNCILLOR THIELE BE APPOINTED AS THE COUNCIL LIAISON TO THE ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE YEAR OF 2015 AS AMENDED.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

"THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

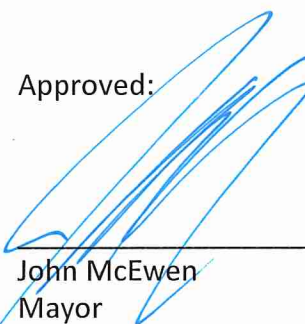
The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Karen-Ann Cobb
Manager of Corporate Services

Approved:



John McEwen
Mayor