

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING – AGENDA

Agenda for the Environment Committee Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at Village Hall, 2697 Sunnyside Road, Anmore, BC



1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Recommendation: That the agenda be approved as circulated.

3. MINUTES

Page 2 (a) **Minutes of the Meeting held on October 18, 2018**

Recommendation: That the Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on October 18, 2018 be adopted as circulated.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. NEW BUSINESS

(a) **Riparian Area Setbacks**

Staff available at meeting for discussion.

7. ADJOURNMENT

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING – MINUTES

Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Thursday, October 18, 2018 in Council Chambers at Village Hall, 2697 Sunnyside Road, Anmore, BC



MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Paul Weverink, Chair
Grace Bergman
Trudy Schneider

MEMBERS ABSENT

Coleen Hackinen
Babak Taghvaei

OTHERS PRESENT

Jason Smith, Manager of Development Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Weverink called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. MINUTES

(a) **Minutes of the Meeting held on September 20, 2018**

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2018 BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

6. NEW BUSINESS

(a) **Tree Management Bylaw (Draft)**

Jason Smith presented the staff report as presented to Council on September 20, 2018.

Members discussed comments and recommendations dated October 17, 2018 provided by Coleen Hackinen. The comments and recommendations are included as Attachment 1 form part of the original minutes. The following points were highlighted during discussion:

- Removing the wording in combination with native vegetation - Trees are an Ecosystem which includes everything under them;
 - Hard to replace native vegetation
 - Authority is specific to tree cutting; currently no power for anything under the trees
 - Another municipality identified through an ecosystem level mapping
 - Hard to determine what is native vegetation
 - Members agreed that this suggestion may not be able to be achieved during this bylaw, would not have the authority at this time
- Replacement tree minimize sizes in the existing draft revision of the tree management bylaw are 4 meters in height – Possibly too high?
 - Smaller trees possibly have a better chance than larger; could adjust size
 - Larger tree, you would have replacement tree quicker
 - Members agreed to amend the replacement size to 3 meters in height
- Allowing removal of 2 trees per calendar years on less than 1 acre lots; larger lots, an additional tree for every acre you have;
 - Create a separate permit at a nominal fee for tracking purposes
 - More of a formality; gives the ability to enforce
 - Members agreed and supported the above statement
- Trees within Riparian Area or a Wetland - a permit will be issued to cut down a tree within a riparian area or wetland where the tree removal has been approved in the case of a dangerous or dead tree
- “Watercourse” reference to be replaced by the word “Stream”
- “Owner” definition to be adjusted to include strata corporations
- Removal of dangerous trees; arborist required
 - Permit is required – fee is waived
 - 2 replacement trees required to be replanted for every 1 dangerous removed
 - No replacement trees required when removing 2 live trees

- Bonding requirements to be discussed through village lawyers
- 20% of lot coverage will be determined by the drip line of trees

(b) Rezoning Application for 3207 Sunnyside Road (Cordovado)

Jason Smith presented the staff report as presented to Council on September 12, 2018. The following points were highlighted during discussions:

- 19 lot development, single family
- 34% land is parks and greenspace
- 3rd time that proposal has been brought to council
- Proposal is positive
- Will need to follow the village’s trail standard

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“THAT THE DEVELOPER MAINTAINS EXISTING 20% TREE COVERAGE ON EACH LOT AND COMPLIES WITH THE TREE MANAGEMENT BYLAW.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“THAT THE DEVELOPER BUILDS EACH HOME TO STEP 2 OF THE BC ENERGY STEP CODE AND THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE ENCOURAGES THE BUILDER TO EXCEED THIS LEVEL.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“TO ADJOURN.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Approved:

Juli Halliwell
CAO

Councillor Paul Weverink
Chair, Environment Committee