ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING – AGENDA



Agenda for the Environment Committee Meeting scheduled for Monday, September 30, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at Village Hall, 2697 Sunnyside Road, Anmore, BC

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. <u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</u>

Recommendation: That the agenda be approved as circulated.

3. MINUTES

Page 2 (a) Minutes of the Meeting held on May 16, 2019

Recommendation: That the Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held

on May 16, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

4. <u>BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</u>

5. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

6. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

Page 5 (a) Proposed Noxious Weed Bylaw

At the July 16, 2019 Regular Council Meeting the following resolution was passed:

THAT Council <u>refer</u> the Anmore Noxious Weed Control Bylaw No. 598-2019 to the Environment Committee for comment and report back to Council and THAT Council <u>defer</u> consideration of first, second, and third readings to Anmore Noxious Weed Control Bylaw No. 598-2019 until comments are reported back to Council from the Environment Committee.

(b) Committee Vacancy

Verbal update by Councillor Paul Weverink, Chair.

7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING - MINUTES

Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Thursday, May 16, 2019 in Council Chambers at Village Hall, 2697 Sunnyside Road, Anmore, BC



MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Paul Weverink, Chair Grace Bergman Coleen Hackinen Trudy Schneider Patricia Van Der Lingen

OTHERS PRESENT

Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Weverink called the meeting to order at: 7:09 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 March 26, 2019

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on March 26, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

4. <u>BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</u>

None.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

6. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

(a) Committee Orientation

Ms. Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services, provided an overview of committee process and procedures:

Discussion points included:

- Process and need for recommendations to be forwarded to Council
- Committee role
- Process to introduce agenda items at the committee level

(b) Meeting Schedule for Current Term April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2021

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the Environment Committee reserve the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. for meetings with the objective to meet every 2 months for the April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2021 term and that no meetings be scheduled for the months of July or August.

Carried Unanimously

(c) Nuisance Bears

Committee members engaged in discussion related to nuisance bears in Anmore and points included:

- Need for involvement of Conservation Officers
- Importance of removing the opportunity for access to attractants
- Lack of reporting of bear incidents to Conservation Officers
- Safety concerns
- Conservation Officers have been engaged with Countryside

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the Environment Committee request THAT Council send a letter to the Conservation Officer Service making them aware of

Manager of Corporate Services

ongoing problems at Countryside with improper storage of garbage, green waste, and other attractants creating nuisance bears in the area which result in a public safety hazard for the Village of Anmore.

Chair, Environment Committee

Carried Unanimously

| 7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> | |
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| It was MOVED and SECONDED: | |
| To adjourn. | |
| | Carried Unanimously |
| The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m. | |
| Certified Correct: | Approved: |
| Karen Elrick | Councillor Paul Weverink |



VILLAGE OF ANMORE REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date:

July 10, 2019

3900-30

Submitted by:

Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services

Subject:

Proposed Noxious Weed Bylaw

Purpose / Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide a Noxious Weed Bylaw to identify and require owners of property to clear such property of noxious weeds, and an accompanying Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Bylaw Amendment to enable the Village to apply fines for non-compliance, for Council's consideration.

Recommended Options

THAT Council grant first, second, and third readings to Anmore Noxious Weed Control Bylaw No. 598-2019; and THAT Council grant first, second, and third readings to Anmore Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 599-2019.

Background

In October 2018, Council considered recommendations from the Environment Committee related to enacting a bylaw to regulate the control of noxious weeds on private property

The Environment Committee's recommendations were subsequently referred by Council to staff and this report serves as a review and report back with a proposed bylaw to address the issue of noxious weeds.

Report/Recommendation to Council

Proposed Noxious Weed Bylaw July 10, 2019

Discussion

The Community Charter provides authority to the Municipality, by bylaw, to regulate, prohibit, and impose requirements in relation to invasive plants that are a nuisance. Following a review of regulations implemented by other municipalities, as well as a review by the Village's engineering consultant, staff drafted a bylaw to incorporate best practices in terms of regulation of noxious weeds.

The proposed Noxious Weed Bylaw has incorporated the weeds as identified by the Invasive Species Council of British Columbia as those which would require prevention of infestation, clearing, cutting and removal from private property should the Village so direct. The approach of addressing these weeds as a nuisance provides the Village with the flexibility to amend the list of species should the need arise.

The accompanying Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Bylaw Amendment provides the authority to the Village to fine property owners for non-compliance, or for failure to allow permission to enter the property to inspect for infractions. An escalating fine structure, which is a method common with other Municipalities researched, has been proposed as a deterrent to encourage property owners to bring the property state into compliance in a timely manner.

Other Options

THAT Council grant first, second, and third readings to Anmore Noxious Weed Control Bylaw No. 598-2019; and THAT Council grant first, second, and third readings to Anmore Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 599-2019. (recommended

Or

THAT Council refer the draft Anmore Noxious Weed Control Bylaw to the Environment Committee for comment and referral back to Council with approval or proposed amendments.

Or

THAT Council provide further direction to Staff on recommendations to proceed with regulation of Noxious Weeds on private property.

Report/Recommendation to Council

Proposed Noxious Weed Bylaw July 10, 2019

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications.

Communications / Civic Engagement

Should Council choose to proceed with approval of the attached bylaw, Village staff will use available communication methods to educate and inform residents of expectations regarding control of noxious weeds on private property.

Corporate Strategic Plan Objectives

We provided responsive, efficient, transparent and engaged service.

Attachments:

- 1. Anmore Noxious Weed Control Bylaw No. 598-2019
- 2. Anmore Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 599-2019

| Prepared by: | |
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| Karen Elrick | , |
| Manager of Corporate Services | |
| Reviewed for Form and Content / Approved for Subr | nission to Council: |
| Chief Administrative Officer's Comment/Concurrence | • |
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VILLAGE OF ANMORE

BYLAW NO. 598-2019

A bylaw to identify which weeds are considered to be noxious, and require owners of real property, to clear such property of noxious weeds.

WHEREAS the Community Charter provides authority to the Municipality, by bylaw, to regulate, prohibit, and impose requirements in relation to invasive plants that are a nuisance.

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Village of Anmore, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

CITATION

1. That this bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Anmore Noxious Weed Control Bylaw No. 598-2019".

DEFINITIONS

- 2. In this bylaw:
 - "Noxious Weed" means any weed listed in Schedule A of this bylaw, or the Provincially Noxious Weeds as identified by the Invasive Species Council of British Columbia
 - "Officer" means a Bylaw Enforcement Officer or a person appointed by Council to enforce this Bylaw
 - "Real Property" means land, with or without improvements so affixed to the land as to make them in fact and law a part of it
 - "Village" means the Village of Anmore

REGULATIONS

- 3. Every owner of Real Property in the Village of Anmore:
 - (a) Shall prevent the infestation of such property by noxious weeds; and
 - (b) Shall clear such property of all noxious weeds, which because of their condition are likely to spread to or become a nuisance to other Real Property in the vicinity or which are so unkempt as to be unsightly to nearby residents; and
 - (c) Shall cut and remove from the property, or cause to be cut down in such a manner as to prevent blowing, all noxious weeds growing thereon so often in each year as is necessary to prevent them from going to seed and to prevent such noxious weeds from growing in excess of 20.32 cm (8 inches)

ENFORCEMENT

- 4. The Officer may enter at all reasonable times upon any Real Property in order to inspect the property in order to ascertain whether the regulations of this bylaw are being obeyed.
- 5. Where the Officer determines that the regulations under this bylaw have not been obeyed, he may give notice to the owner of the Real Property requiring compliance with the regulations under section 3 within five (5) days of the date of such notice.
- 6. The Officer shall provide notice under section 5 by:
 - (a) Serving personally the person to whom such notice is addressed, or
 - (b) Leaving it with some person apparently over the age of sixteen years at the dwelling, house or place of business of the person to whom such notice is addressed; or
 - (c) By mailing the notice by registered mail to the most recent address of such person as shown on the last assessment roll of the Village of Anmore.
- 7. If the owner of the Real Property fails to clear noxious weeds, from that property in accordance with a notice delivered under section 6, the Village may, by its staff, or other authorized agent, enter upon such real property and carry out the work required by the notice at the expense of the owner or owners thereof.
- 8. The Village shall keep an accurate account of the charges incurred pursuant to Section 7, and when all work required is complete, shall mail a statement of such charges to the owner of the real property upon whom the notice was served, with a demand for payment of same.
- 9. Should the owner fail to pay the charges incurred under Section 7 within one calendar year, by December 31 following year, the outstanding amount shall be added to and form part of the taxes payable in respect of such Real Property, in arrears.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 10. In the event that any section of this bylaw is for any reason held invalid by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid section shall be severed from and not affect the remaining provisions of this bylaw.
- 11. Each day that a contravention of this bylaw continues, constitutes a separate offence.
- 12. Any person who violates any provision of this bylaw and who commits an offence and is liable to prosecution under the Offence Act, and upon summary conviction, is liable to a fine and penalty of no more than the maximum permitted under law.

| Village of Anmore Noxious | Weed | Control | Bylaw | No. | 598- | -2019 |
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| 13. | Schedule A forms part of this bylaw. |
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SCHEDULE A

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| NOXIOUS |
| Bur Chervil (Anthriscus caucalis) |
| Garlic Mustard (Alliaria petiolata) |
| Canada Thistle (Cirsium arvense) |
| Common Reed (Phragmites australis subsp. |
| australis) |
| Cordgrass, Dense-flowered (Spartina |
| densiflora) |
| Cordgrass, English (Spartina anglica) |
| Cordgrass, Saltmeadow (Spartina patens) |
| Cordgrass, Smooth (Spartina alterniflora) |
| Crupina (Crupina vulgaris) |
| Dodder (Cuscuta spp.) |
| Flowering Rush (Butomus umbellatus) |
| Giant Hogweed (Heracleum mantegazzianum) |
| Giant Mannagrass/Reed Sweetgrass (Glyceria |
| maxima) |
| Gorse (Ulex europaeus) |
| Hound's-tongue (Cynoglossum officinale) |
| Jointed Goatgrass (Aegilops cylindrica) |
| Knapweed, Diffuse (Centaurea diffusa) |
| Knapweed, Spotted (Centaurea stoebe) |
| Knotweed, Bohemian (Fallopia x bohemica) |
| Knotweed, Giant (Fallopia sachalinensis) |
| Knotweed, Himalayan (Polygonum |
| polystachyum) |
| Knotweed, Japanese (Fallopia japonica) |
| Leafy Spurge (Euphorbia esula) |
| Milk Thistle (Silybum marianum) |
| North Africa Grass (Ventenata dubia) |
| Nutsedge, Purple (Cyperus rotundus) |
| Nutsedge, Yellow (Cyperus esculentus) |
| Purple Loosestrife (Lythrum salicaria) |
| Rush Skeletonweed (Chondrilla juncea) |
| Scentless Chamomile (Matricaria maritima) |
| Sow-thistle, Annual (Sonchus oleraceus) |
| Sow-thistle, Perennial (Sonchus arvensis) |
| Tansy Ragwort (Senecio jacobaea) |
| Toadflax, Common / Yellow (Linaria vulgaris) |
| Toadflax, Dalmatian (Linaria genistifolia) |
| Velvetleaf (Abutilon theophrasti) |
| Wild Oats (Avena fatua) |
| Yellow Flag Iris (Iris pseudacorus) |
| Yellow Starthistle (Centaurea solstitialis) |
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VILLAGE OF ANMORE

BYLAW NO. 599-2019

A bylaw to amend Anmore Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Bylaw No. 479-2009

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to amend Anmore Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Bylaw No. 479-2009

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Village of Anmore, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. That this bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Anmore Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 599-2019".
- 2. That Anmore Municipal Ticket Information Utilization Bylaw No. 479-2009 be amended as follows:
 - (a) That Section 5 be amended to delete the words "Schedules 2 through 9 attached to this bylaw" and replace it with the words "Schedules 2 through 11 attached to and forming part this bylaw".
 - (b) That Section 6 be amended to delete the words "Schedules 2 through 9 attached to this bylaw" and replace it with the words "Schedules 2 through 11 attached to and forming part of this bylaw".
 - (c) Add the following row to Schedule 1:

| "11 | Anmore Noxious Weed Bylaw 598- 2019 | Chief Administrative Officer Operations Superintendent Manager of Development Services Bylaw Enforcement Officer" |
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(d) Add Schedule 11 following Schedule 10:

"SCHEDULE 11

Anmore Noxious Weed Bylaw 598-2019

| Offence | | | Section | Fine | |
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| | Fail to prevent | | n, clear, or | | |
| | | ut and remove loxious Weeds from the Property | | 3 | \$100.00 |
| | 2 nd Offence in calendar year of Failure to Cut and Remove Noxious Weeds from Property | | | 3 | \$200.00 |
| | Calendar year | B rd and subsequent Offence in Calendar year of failure to cut and Remove Noxious Weeds from Property | | 3 | \$400.00 |
| | Fail to permit entry of Officer | | 4 | \$500.00 | |
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