



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

Minutes - Draft

Committee of the Whole

Municipal Hall
1229 Esquimalt Road
Esquimalt, B.C. V9A 3P1

Monday, August 23, 2021

6:00 PM

Esquimalt Council Chambers

Present 7 - Mayor Barbara Desjardins
 Councillor Ken Armour
 Councillor Meagan Brame
 Councillor Jacob Helliwell
 Councillor Lynda Hundleby
 Councillor Tim Morrison
 Councillor Jane Vermeulen

Staff: Ian Irvine, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
 Jeff Miller, Director of Engineering & Public Works
 Deb Hopkins, Manager of Corporate Services
 Alicia Ferguson, Recording Secretary

Others: Chief Constable Manak, Victoria Police Department (VicPD)
 Inspector Michael Brown, VicPD Esquimalt Division
 Doug Crowder, Esquimalt Representative - Victoria and
 Esquimalt Police Board

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Hundleby called the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:00 PM and read the Territorial acknowledgement.

2. **LATE ITEMS**

There were no late items.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Morrison: That the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried Unanimously.

4. **MINUTES**

- 1) [21-431](#) Minutes of the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting held June 21, 2021
- 2) [21-432](#) Minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole meeting held July 12, 2021

Moved by Councillor Helliwell, seconded by Mayor Desjardins: That the Minutes of the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting held June 21, 2021 and the Minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole meeting held July 12, 2021, be approved as circulated. Carried Unanimously.

5. PRESENTATION

- 1) [21-430](#) Victoria Police Department 2021 Second Quarterly Report, Chief Del Manak

Chief Manak presented the Community Safety Report Card and together with Inspector Brown responded to questions from Council. Highlights of the presentation included calls for service statistics, crime rates and crime severity indexes, weighted clearance rates, an overview of crime trends in the community, special projects and community engagement initiatives, community safety campaigns, and strategic plan highlights.

Council comments included:

- * Ensuring crime statistics are tracked for a greater understanding of community resource involvement.
- * Graffiti concerns and enforcement.
- * Weighted Crime Rates rationale and recognition for good clearance rates.

6. PUBLIC INPUT ON ANY ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Address Council on any item included on this Agenda, including Staff Reports and Communications (excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing). Limit 2 minutes per speaker.

There was no electronic public input.

7. STAFF REPORTS***Engineering and Public Works***

- 1) [21-429](#) Active Transportation Network Plan Update, EPW-21-020
Staff responded to questions from Council.

Council comments included:

- * Various improvements and challenges for existing intersections, streets, and railway crossings.
- * Improving and strengthening the current infrastructure.
- * Appreciation for the quick build approach.
- * Ensuring a connected cycling network based on input from the cycling coalition.
- * Options for funding various transportation initiatives.
- * Providing more project details in the next round of public engagement so that residents may indicate priorities.
- * Aligning transportation improvements with climate action goals.
- * Consideration of increasing bicycle parking with increased cycling infrastructure.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Address Council on any topic that impacts Esquimalt (excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing). Limit 2 minutes per speaker.

Lynda O'Keeffe, *resident*, expressed appreciation for the clean up on Fraser Street.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Desjardins thanked all the individuals who worked at the vaccine centre that was operated out of Archie Browning and the involvement of Island Health throughout the pandemic.

Chair Hundleby thanked those involved in the successful hosting of the Esquimalt Community Art and Garden Tour.

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Helliwell: That the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 7:14 PM. Carried Unanimously.

MAYOR BARBARA DESJARDINS
THIS DAY OF , 2021

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