

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND AND COASTAL COMMUNITIES EXECUTIVE HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021 BY ZOOM

IN ATTENDANCE: Director Ian Morrison, Cowichan Valley RD, President Director Penny Cote, Alberni-Clayoquot RD, 1st Vice President Councillor Carl Jensen, District of Central Saanich, Past President Director Vanessa Craig, RD of Nanaimo, Electoral Area Representative Councillor Colleen Evans, City of Campbell River, Director at Large Director Mark Gisborne, qathet RD, Director at Large Director Travis Hall, Central Coast RD, Director at Large

REGRETS: Councillor Ben Geselbracht, City of Nanaimo, 2nd Vice President

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Liz Cookson, Executive Director

President Morrison called the meeting to order at 3:45 pm. This meeting was held following the Advocacy Review session facilitated by consultant, Tracey Lorensen.

AGENDA

On motion by 1st Vice President Cote, seconded by Director Hall, That the agenda for the December 6, 2021 meeting be adopted as presented was CARRIED

MINUTES

On motion by Director Evans, seconded by Past President Jensen, That the minutes of the October 15, 2021 meeting be adopted was CARRIED

CONVENTION

2022 Convention Sessions – Initial Discussion

Liz Cookson reviewed the process for review and selection of sessions for the convention, as well as the number and scheduling of sessions in the program. She provided a template showing the "convention at a glance" and the program from the 2018 convention held in Victoria.

Ms. Cookson referred to the package with session suggestions received, and advised that the Executive members could make additional suggestions for topics they felt were missing, and could act as the organizer of that session. She also noted that being in Victoria gives access to resources such as provincial ministries, the University of Victoria, and other provincial agencies.

She identified two additional sessions for consideration that were received after the package was distributed:

- 1. Workshop to be run by UBCM on a review of the UBCM resolutions process; and
- 2. Workshop on housing policy organized by staff from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and from the Attorney General's office (as Minister Eby is responsible for Housing).

She also noted that there would be a session in the program on the VICC Climate Leadership Plan as this had been committed to based on the 2021 resolution on this topic endorsed by members.

The Executive discussed the submissions received, and shared their preferences. President Morrison advised he was expecting another session submission related to riparian restoration and salmon protection for Executive consideration.

The Executive confirmed tht the format of the program should continue to be the same as previous years.

The Executive gave direction to staff to send an email to the Executive members asking each member to identify their top five sessions so she can prepare a draft program for the January 14th meeting. Executive members can also suggest additional topics or ask staff to collect any further information on the submissions that they require to make their decisions.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for 9 am on January 14, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:50 pm, on motion by Director Hall, seconded by Past President Jensen, that the meeting be adjourned was

CARRIED

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