

Meeting Minutes

Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission

Thursday, October 16, 2025

9:00 AM

SIMS Boardroom
124 Rainbow Road
Salt Spring Island BC

PRESENT:

COMMISSIONERS: E. Rook, G. Holman (Director), B. Corno, G. Baker, B. Webster,

STAFF: S. Henderson, General Manager, Electoral Area Services; D. Ovington, Senior Manager, SSI Administration; C. Hopp, Manager, SSI Engineer, SSI Administration (EP); SSI Administration; M. Williamson, Committee Clerk, SSI Administration (Recorder)

EP- Electronic Participation

These minutes follow the order of the agenda although the sequence may have varied.

The meeting was called to order at 09:00 am.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Commissioner Rook provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Commissioner Baker, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Webster,
That agenda for the September 18, 2025, meeting of the Local Community Commission be approved as amended with the following amendments

-Addition of Agenda item 7.7 Salish Sea Trail

-Recommendation for Agenda item 9.1. be replaced with the following

“1. That the meeting be closed for consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the Electoral Area and another body government under Section 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter [1 item].

2. That the meeting be closed for consideration of information related to labour relations or other employee relations under Section 90(1)(c) of the Community Charter [1 item].”

CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. Minutes of September 11-18, 2025 Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission

MOVED by Commissioner Corno, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Baker,
That the minutes of the September 11, 2025 meeting be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

MOVED by Commissioner Webster, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Corno,
That the minutes of the September 18, 2025 meeting be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Chair, Director, and Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Rook spoke of the following items:

- Joint Meeting with Local Trust Committee
- Cross Border Forum hosted by Southern Gulf Island Forum

Director Holman spoke of the following items:

- Island Trust Local Trust Committee meetings
- Primary Care Network
- GISRA Kings Lane Project
- Minister of housing visit to Salt Spring
- Drake Road Housing site
- CRD Provisional 2026 Budget

Commissioner Baker spoke of the following items:

- Phoenix Landing opening
- Trincomali Trail development
- Green Municipal Fund School Routes Grant application
- Primary Care Network
- Artspring community spaces

5. Senior Manager Report

D. Ovington provided information for the Island Trust Public Hearing regarding the 210 and 220 Kanaka Road property.

6. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

7. Commission Business

7.1. SSI Community Transit Service Update

The report was received for information.

Discussion ensued regarding the Max levy increase for the SSI transit service.

**MOVED by Commissioner Rook, SECONDED by Commissioner Baker,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission (LCC) request the LCC
Chair Commissioner Rook contact the CRD Board Chair regarding the following
points**

**-That the request to the CRD Board for a significant increase to the Transit levy of
July 17, 2025 is no longer urgent due to changing circumstances**

**-That the LCC endorses the motion currently before the CRD Board to increase
the levy by 25% as sufficient to meet current operating needs**

**-That the LCC requests staff to prepare a report on options for transit expansion
and long term, sustainable funding at the spring Provisional Budget meeting for
the 2027 budget**

Commissioner Rook amended the motion

“That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission (LCC) request the
LCC Chair Commissioner Rook contact the CRD Board Chair regarding the
following points:

-That the request to the CRD Board for a more significant increase to the

Transit levy of July 17, 2025 is no longer urgent due to changing circumstances

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the levy by 25% as sufficient to meet current operating needs”

The question was called on the motion as amended.

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the levy by 25% as sufficient to meet current operating needs**

CARRIED

OPPOSED Webster

**MOVED by Commissioner Rook, SECONDED by Commissioner Baker,
That the LCC requests staff to prepare a report on options for transit expansion
and long term, sustainable funding.**

CARRIED

7.2. SSI Centennial Park Washroom Extended Hours Pilot Program

The report was received for information.

**MOVED by Commissioner Webster, SECONDED by Commissioner Rook,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission endorses continuing to
operate the extended hours at the Centennial Park Washroom.**

CARRIED

7.3. SSI Local Community Commission Services External Grants 2025 Fall

The report was received for information.

7.4. Project Tracker Quarterly No. 20, 2025

The report was received for information.

Discussion ensued regarding progress with ongoing projects under SSI
Administration.

7.5. Motion Tracker Quarterly

The report was received for information.

Discussion ensued regarding progress of acting on motions.

7.6. Annual Progress Report of the Salt Spring Island Local Community
Commission's Strategic Plan

The report was received for information.

Discussion ensued regarding progress on addressing objectives in the LCC
Strategic Plan.

8. Notice(s) of Motion

8.1. Motion with Notice: Flexible Roadside Reflectors Locations (G. Baker)

**MOVED by Commissioner Baker, SECONDED by Commissioner Corno,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission (LCC) request that the
Ministry of Transport and Transit (MoTT) prioritize the following locations when
installing additional flexible roadside reflectors:**

1) Cusheon Lake Road

2) Cranberry Road:

-The curve between 251 Cranberry Road and 304 Cranberry Road

-The curve between 611 Cranberry Road and 595 Cranberry Road

3) Stark's Road

-The curve near 415 Stark's Road

-The curve near the intersection of Macalister Road

-The curve near 327 Stark's Road

-The curve near 205 Stark's Road

4) Channel Ridge Road

**5) Stewart Road: Both sides of Stewart Road approaching and going around the
bend at Arnell Park.**

6) Collins Road: From the mid 100 block to the 300 block.

7) North End:

-Curves before the intersection of Fairview Road along St. Mary Lake

-The curve south of the intersection Epron Road

-The curve near 195 North End Road

--The curve near 2121 North End Road.

8) Sunset Road:

-The curve near 1340 Sunset Road

-The curve south of 1330 Sunset Road and the intersection Simson Road

-The curve near 1325 Sunset Road

-The curve near 1076 Sunset Road

-The curve near 930 Sunset Road

-The curve near 720 Sunset Road

-The curve near south of Sir Echos Way

Commissioner Baker amended the motion.

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staff Convey to the Ministry of Transport and Transit (MoTT) staff to prioritize the
following locations when installing additional flexible roadside reflectors:

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CARRIED

8.2. Motion with Notice: Report on Bylaw Adjudication Process (G. Baker)

MOVED by Commissioner Baker, **SECONDED** by Director Holman,
That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission request staff report
back on the new adjudication process and provide information on undertaking
an option for a locally customized mediation process.

CARRIED

OPPOSED Corno

8.3. Notice of Motion: Speculation and Vacancy Advocacy (G. Holman)

Director Holman proposed the following Notice of Motion for consideration at the
next meeting:

“That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission support inclusion of
Salt Spring Island in the Speculation and Vacancy Tax and request Islands
Trust to also support inclusion.”

8.4. Notice of Motion: SGITP Funding Advocacy (G. Baker)

Commissioner Baker proposed the following Notice of Motion for consideration
at the next meeting:

“That the Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission recommend to the
Southern Gulf Island Tourism Partnership (SGITP) that \$10,000 be allocated for
the 2026 year to support Salt Spring events that enhance the visitor experience.
Details of specific allocations will be submitted to the SGITP Board as they are
identified.”

9. Motion to Close Meeting

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The Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission moved to the closed session at 1:03pm.

Director Holman left the meeting room at 1:26pm.

The Salt Spring Island Local Community Commission rose from its closed session at 1:27pm without report.

10. Adjournment

MOVED by Commissioner Corno, SECONDED by Commissioner Baker,
That the Local Community Commission adjourn the meeting at 1:27pm.
CARRIED

CHAIR

SENIOR MANAGER