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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE Saanich Peninsula Water Commission, held Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 9:30 a.m., Meeting Room 2, Sidney Community Safety Building, 2245 Oakville Ave., Sidney, BC

PRESENT: Commissioners: D. Kelbert (Chair); M. Doehnel (Vice Chair); S. Duncan; D. Halldorson; C. McNeil-Smith; S. Shrivastava (EP); P. Jones

Staff: A. Fraser, General Manager, Integrated Water Services; J. Marr, Senior Manager, Infrastructure Engineering; G. Harris, Senior Manager Environmental Protection; J. Dales, Senior Manager, Wastewater Infrastructure Operations; J. Kelly, Manager, Capital Projects; J. McAloon, Engineer, Infrastructure Engineering; D. Green, Sr Supervisor Regional Source Control Environmental Protection; D. Dionne, Administrative Coordinator, Integrated Water Services (Recorder)

REGRETS: S. Shrivastava; Z. King; C. Pinches; R. Windsor

EP = Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 am.

1. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair provided the Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Commissioner Halldorson, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Duncan,
That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED by Commissioner Halldorson, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Duncan,
That the minutes of the May 16, 2024 Saanich Peninsula Water Commission meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

4. CHAIR'S REMARKS

Thanked everyone for participating in the meetings, especially through the summer.

5. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Fraser provided an update on the amalgamation study review noting that staff have engaged a consultant, Dan Huang from Connections Planning Associates. Staff anticipate having a report from the consultant by the end of the year.

7. COMMISSION BUSINESS

7.1. Saanich Peninsula Water Service 2024 Mid-Year Capital Projects and Operations Update

Staff presented the staff report and responded to questions from the Commission regarding:

- Pumpstation metering repair funds. Staff do not anticipate any issues with funding the repair.
- Cloak hill reservoir. Staff are working with District of North Saanich staff on the short- mid- and long-term plans. For the short-term there are standard operating procedures between the two, CRD and North Saanich, operational departments. Information is needed from the North Saanich Water Master Plan to determine the flows for long-term planning.
- Hamsterly Pumpstation backup power generator deferral. Staff advised that the original estimate was \$700,000 and therefore wanted to review the priority for this backup generator – is the benefit worth that cost.
- There was a discussion regarding the Bear Hill reservoir and Hamsterly pumpstation, noting that they are physically in Saanich but service the Saanich Peninsula.

The report was received for information.

7.2. Summary of Recommendations from Other Water Commissions

The report was received for information.

7.3. Water Watch Report

The report was received for information.

8. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

There were none.

9. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner McNeil-Smith, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Duncan,
That the July 18, 2024 Saanich Peninsula Water Commission meeting be adjourned at 9:55.

CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY