SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

September 11, 2023

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE WATER SUPPLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CEDAR ROOM OF THE SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT AT 1975 FIELD ROAD, SECHELT, BC.

PRESENT: V. Macfarlane

Vice-Chair J. Bell

Members B. Fielding

S. Fitchell K. Freemantle M. Hennessy B. Thicke

Regrets: S. Leech

G. Moore L. Chivers

ALSO PRESENT:

(Non-voting) Manager, Strategic Initiatives M. Edbrooke

Water Sustainability Coordinator G. Starsage

Director, Area A L. Lee Public 2

CALL TO ORDER 3:45 p.m.

AGENDA The agenda was adopted as presented.

MINUTES

Recommendation No. 1 Water Supply Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2023.

The Water Supply Advisory Committee recommended that the Water Supply Advisory Committee meeting minutes of May 6, 2023, be received.

REPORTS

Integrated Sustainability presented a verbal presentation on the 2023 SCRD Water Demand Analysis.

Discussion included the following:

- Questions about the community water use assumptions of the Water Demand Model.
- Confirmed drought period was set to 200 days to represent a low snowpack and early snow melt with a long dry season until November 15.
- Clarification that the SCRD water sourcing policy was moved to a performance-based scenario of staying within Stage 2.

- Discussion about model assumptions and if more scenarios should be considered.
- Question if an extensive hydrological study could be completed.
- Approaches to how we can meet the water deficit and discussions about Langdale, Church Road, operations of the system.
- Question on how to support the shishalh Nation reservoir proposal.
- Staff encouraged further feedback on the Water Demand Analysis by email.

Manager, Strategic Initiatives, opened the floor to discussion on future WASAC Meeting Topics

Discussion included the following:

 WASAC has interest in reviewing the Water Rate Structure Report once completed and a presentation.

NEXT MEETING November 6, 2023, 3:30 p.m. online via Zoom

ADJOURNMENT 5:44 p.m.