



**Coastal Water Suppliers Association  
Minutes of August 31, 2017  
Regular Board Meeting**

Attendance: Ron Stepaniuk, Donna Monteith, Vernon Rogers, Joe Woolls, Michael Bolch, Leon Cake  
Regrets: N/A

Call to order 10:47am by R. Stepaniuk.

**1. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion** by J. Woolls to adopt the August 28, 2017 meeting Agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Stepaniuk. Carried

**2. Minutes of July 31, 2017 Meeting**

**Motion** by J. Woolls to adopt the July 31, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by V. Rogers Carried

**3. Business Arising - N/A**

**4. New Business**

a) Board Member Vacancy- As mentioned at the last meeting Michelle Price has resigned from the CWSA Board. Michael Bolch, new CAO for North Cedar ID, is interested in the position and has the approval of his Board of Trustees.

**Motion** by L. Cake to appoint Michael Bolch as Director of CWSA effective today until the AGM. 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Stepaniuk. Carried

b) Direct Access to Funding-Everyone at CWSA is very sad to hear that Rosemary Smart has passed away. She has been instrumental in laying the groundwork to encourage the Provincial Government to include Improvement Districts in access to direct funding. In order to preserve and protect the long term needs of our members (largely ID's) Donna has requested any of Rosemary's files the family is willing to share in hopes that CWSA can continue on with her work.

**Motion** by V. Rogers, a key strategic priority for CWSA will be to urge the Provincial Government to provide direct access to funding for water related projects to Improvement Districts that is comparable to the funding currently provided to Municipalities and Regional Districts. 2<sup>nd</sup> by L. Cake Carried

Donna will touch base for the records. As well an email will go out to members asking what their experiences are in attempting to get funding via their Regional Districts.

c) Fall Workshop - a date has been set for the half day workshop of Wednesday November 8, 2017 in North Cedar from 9-12:00. Donna to provide outline for next meeting.

d) Global Warming and the Water Industry - Vern started the discussion regarding global warming and climate change. This year has been particularly bad for forest fires in BC. Fires, drought, flash flooding are all very bad for drinking water, and we need to really think about how this is going to affect districts in the future.

## **6. Next Meeting**

Monday October 2, 2017 at 10:30am at the Cowichan Bay Waterworks District office.

## **7. Adjournment**

Motion by J. Woolls to adjourn 11:58am, 2nd by V. Rogers

Carried