## **RDN Board Report**

#### RDN Directors:

- Bill Veenhof, Chairperson Electoral Area 'H'
- Colin Haime Deputy Chairperson District of Lantzville
- Alec McPherson, Electoral Area 'A'
- Howard Houle, Electoral Area 'B'
- Maureen Young, Electoral Area 'C'
- Bob Rogers, Electoral Area 'E'
- Julian Fell, Electoral Area 'F'
- Joe Stanhope, Electoral Area 'G'
- Bill McKay,
   City of Nanaimo
- Bill Bestwick, City of Nanaimo
- Jerry Hong, City of Nanaimo
- Jim Kipp,
   City of Nanaimo
- Wendy Pratt, City of Nanaimo
- Ian Thorpe, City of Nanaimo
- Bill Yoachim, City of Nanaimo
- Marc Lefebvre, City of Parksville
- Teunis Westbroek, Town of Qualicum Beach

# Highlights from the Regional District of Nanaimo Inaugural Board Meeting of November 8, 2016

### Election of Board Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson

Bill Veenhof, Director for Area 'H' was acclaimed as the RDN Board Chairperson for the year beginning November 8, 2016. Chair Veenhof has served on the RDN Board for five years and this is his second annual term as Chair. Colin Haime, District of Lantzville Mayor was acclaimed and begins his third annual term as Deputy Chairperson.

Chair Veenhof stated that when looking back at the past year, the Board has accomplished a great deal and highlighted: the completion of the Strategic Plan including a recent review to confirm the Board's priorities; the establishment of the Electoral Area Services Committee; and the hiring of a new Chief

Administrative Officer.
Chair Veenhof is looking forward to a busy second term as Chair with several major initiatives coming up including: Regional Services Review; upgrades to the Greater Nanaimo Pollution Control Centre from primary to secondary treatment; and construction of the river intake for the Englishman River Water Service.

At the meeting, Deputy Chair Haime took a moment to highlight Chair Veenhof's inclusive approach as one of many appreciated qualities.

#### Community Sewer Amendment Bylaws

Two bylaw amendments were approved at last night's meeting. These amendments affect RDN residents with septic systems or holding tanks that are pumped out by

truck and discharged at either the Greater
Nanaimo or French Creek
Pollution Control Centres.
Costs for this service were previously recovered through both taxation and user fees, but with these bylaw amendments, costs will now be recovered entirely through user fees.

## Special Committee of the Whole

A special Committee of the Whole meeting was held on November 8th to present the 2017 Preliminary Budget and Business Plan. This was the first of several budget meetings that are open to the public including:

November 15: 3:00 p.m. February 7: Time TBD February 14: Time TBD



Next Meeting: Committee of the Whole—November 22, 7:00 pm.

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