
**METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
LIQUID WASTE COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Liquid Waste Committee held at 9:00 am on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 in the 28th Floor Committee Room, 4515 Central Boulevard, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair, Director Malcolm Brodie, Richmond
Vice Chair, Director Megan Knight, White Rock*
Director Paul Albrecht, Langley City
Director Rod Binder, Delta
Councillor Christine Cassidy, West Vancouver
Director Doug Elford, Surrey
Director Steve Ferguson, Langley Township
Councillor Steve Kim, Coquitlam
Director Sarah Kirby-Yung, Vancouver*
Mayor Mike Little, North Vancouver District (arrived at 9:04 am)
Director Nicole MacDonald, Pitt Meadows
Director Nadine Nakagawa, New Westminster
Councillor James Wang, Burnaby
Director Brad West, Port Coquitlam (departed at 9:42 am)*

*denotes electronic meeting participation as authorized by the *Procedure Bylaw*

STAFF PRESENT:

Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer/Commissioner
Peter Navratil, General Manager, Liquid Waste Services
Jacque Killawee, Deputy Corporate Officer
Maari Hirvi Mayne, Program Manager, Enforcement and Regulation Liquid Waste, Environmental Regulation and Enforcement
Marek Ratajczak, Acting General Manager and Director, Major Projects, Project Delivery
Lillian Zarembo, Program Manager, Liquid Waste Services

A. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1. May 14, 2025 Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Liquid Waste Committee adopt the agenda for its meeting scheduled for May 14, 2025 as circulated.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1. March 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Liquid Waste Committee adopt the minutes of its meeting held March 12, 2025 as circulated.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

D. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

E. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Food Sector Grease Interceptor Bylaw Enforcement

Report dated May 5, 2025, from Maari Hirvi Mayne, Program Manager, Enforcement and Regulation Liquid Waste, Environmental Regulation and Enforcement, providing the Liquid Waste Committee with information on liquid waste regulatory enforcement activities specifically those regarding fats, oils, and grease discharges from commercial food sector establishments regulated through *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Food Sector Grease Interceptor Bylaw No. 365, 2023* (FSGI Bylaw).

Maari Hirvi Mayne provided members with a presentation titled "Food Sector Grease Interceptor Enforcement" which detailed the bylaws governing commercial liquid waste regulation and the enforcement challenges faced in particular the high number of restaurants, high owner turnover and language barriers.

9:04 am Mayor Mike Little arrived at the meeting.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Liquid Waste Committee receive for information the report dated May 5, 2025, titled "Food Sector Grease Interceptor Bylaw Enforcement".

CARRIED

2. 2025 Update on Liquid Waste Sustainability Innovation Fund Projects

Report dated April 14, 2025, from Lillian Zarembo, Program Manager, Liquid Waste Services, providing the GVS&DD Board with an update on projects funded under the Liquid Waste Sustainability Innovation Fund that are currently in progress or have been completed or discontinued since the last annual update.

Lillian Zaremba provided members with a presentation titled “Liquid Waste Sustainability Innovation Fund Projects” which discussed the eight ongoing projects which seek to support efficiency improvements, resilience, or green energy creation and noted that Metro Vancouver has leveraged the Sustainability Innovation Fund dollars to acquire 2.8 million from external stakeholders.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the GVS&DD Board receive for information the report dated April 14, 2025, titled “2025 Update on Liquid Waste Sustainability Innovation Fund Projects”.

CARRIED

3. 2025 Adult Toilet Training Campaign Launch

Report dated April 14, 2025, from Carol Nicolls, Communication Specialist, External Relations, providing the Liquid Waste Committee with an update on the launch of the 2025 regional Adult Toilet Training campaign.

9:42 am Director West left the meeting.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Liquid Waste Committee receive for information the report dated April 23, 2025, titled “2025 Adult Toilet Training Campaign Launch.”

CARRIED

Director Ferguson was absent for vote.

4. Manager’s Report

Report dated May 2, 2025, from Peter Navratil, General Manager, Liquid Waste Services, providing the Liquid Waste Committee with an update on the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant, the FCM Resolution seeking Federal support for a federal flushability standard, and the FCM 2024 Sustainable Communities Award in the 2024 Community Energy category.

Marek Ratajczak, Acting General Manager and Director, Major Projects, Project Delivery provided the Liquid Waste Committee with an update on the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant noting that construction is accelerating on the site and that the project is on schedule.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Liquid Waste Committee receive for information the report dated May 2, 2025 titled “Manager’s Report”.

CARRIED

F. INFORMATION ITEMS

No items presented.

G. OTHER BUSINESS

No items presented.

H. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

Note: The Committee must state by resolution the basis under section 90 of the Community Charter on which the meeting is being closed. If a member wishes to add an item, the basis must be included below.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Liquid Waste Committee close its meeting scheduled for May 14, 2025 pursuant to section 226 (1) (a) of the *Local Government Act* and the *Community Charter* provisions as follows:

90 (1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality; and

90 (2) A part of a council meeting must be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to one or more of the following:

(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the regional district and a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

CARRIED

H. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Liquid Waste Committee adjourn its meeting of May 14, 2025.

CARRIED

(Time: 9:46 am)

Morgan Mackenzie,
Legislative Services Coordinator

Malcolm Brodie,
Chair