

Adopted June 3, 2009 with amendments (depicted in underlined/italicized font herein)

## BOWEN ISLAND MUNICIPALITY

Minutes of the regular meeting of **Bowen Island Municipal Ferry Advisory Committee** held Wednesday May 6, 2009 at 7:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Municipal Hall, 981 Artisan Lane, Bowen Island, BC

**COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE** Bob Lalonde – Chair  
Kim DeSante  
Trish Jacquet

**REGRETS** Doug Elliott  
Daniel Heald

**COUNCIL IN ATTENDANCE** Councillor Morse

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE** Gayle Ferguson – Minute Taker  
(\*denotes partial attendance)

**CALL TO ORDER** The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Adoption of May 6, 2009 Agenda for the meeting of the Bowen Island Municipality Ferry Advisory Committee

**It was Moved and Seconded**

That the agenda for the Bowen Island Municipality Ferry Advisory Committee May 6, 2009 meeting be approved with the following amendment:  
4.1 changed to read *“BCFFAC meeting agenda”*

CARRIED

2. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

Adoption of the Minutes for the meeting held April 1, 2009 of the Bowen Island Municipality Ferry Advisory Committee

**It was Moved and Seconded**

That the minutes of the Bowen Island Municipality Ferry Advisory Committee meeting held April 1, 2009 be adopted as amended:  
Page 2, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph replace sentence beginning *“The email indicated refit every 2 years.....”* with *“BC Ferries are looking to move the refit to every 4 years however before doing so they will operate on a 2 year refit cycle for an unstipulated period. The next refit is scheduled for 2011”*  
Page 4, 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph add to the end *“The Committee would indicate this is not appropriate and would follow up with BC Ferries.”*

CARRIED

3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM**

## MINUTES

- 3.1 Transport Canada Meetings The Chair reported on a recent meeting with Aloak Tewari Manager Inspection Services, Marine Safety, Transport Canada. ~~He suggested the Committee request~~ The Committee will request BC Ferries to do the following:
- Request BC Ferries to schedule inspection for November, if it has to be annually;
  - Provide a replacement vessel;
  - Provide appropriate public notice;
  - Request BC Ferries to have refit and Transport Canada inspection schedules in sync. Transport Canada has indicated that the ship is to be dry docked twice every five years. Clarification to be requested from BC Ferries;
  - ~~Collective agreement for Transport Canada inspectors preclude the routine scheduling of inspections during off ferry hours~~
- Collective agreement for Transport Canada inspectors preclude the routine scheduling of inspections during off ferry hours.
- Regarding the issue of crew size, the Chair noted that there appears to be solutions to additional crew requirements on some of the other small runs. Bottom line for these new regulations appears to be adjusting downwards, therefore the cost to be distributed among all small routes will be diminished.
- 3.2 Queen of Capilano refit Schedule The issue of the Queen of Capilano refit schedule will be discussed at the June meeting with BC Ferries.
- 3.3 Priority Commercial Loading Priority Commercial Loading issue to be discussed when Daniel is present and has had an opportunity to discuss the issue with commercial carriers.
- 3.4 Snug Cove Information Signs The Chair reported that BC Ferries tested the sign and found the cell phone communication did not work. They will be talking with TELUS regarding the issue
- 3.5 Snug Cove Washrooms The Chair reported that Mayor Turner has indicated his desire to proceed to work on solutions regarding the Snug Cove Washrooms. The next step will be to establish objectives to reduce vandalism
- 3.6 Restricted Vehicle Loading Councillor Morse noted that restricted vehicle loading is a regulation in the Motor Vehicle Act, which prevents

certain vehicles on certain roads. The regulation has been amended to allow municipalities to designate certain roads for electric vehicles and will leave the 50km speed limit.

The Chair suggested that the issue be brought to the attention of BC BCF as a future issue to consider.

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| 3.7                    | HB switchboard hours   | Will follow-up with BCF at FAC meeting   |
| 3.8                    | Summer Schedule  | The Chair noted that the Summer Ferry Schedule had been published.<br>Discussion followed regarding customer service and cost allocation for the Horseshoe Bay Terminal.   |
| <b>4. NEW BUSINESS</b> |  |  |
| 4.1                    | BC Ferries/Bowen Island Municipality Ferry Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda | The Chair noted that he would circulate a list of items the Committee would like to have on the agenda for the June meeting with BC Ferries. He requested members to add issues to the list.<br><br>Committee members suggested the following items be added to the agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Horseshoe Bay terminal cost allocation. It was suggested that it was unfair for Bowen Islanders to pick up 20% of the overall terminal upgrading costs;</li> <li>• Non traditional motor vehicles.</li> </ul> |
| 4.2                    | BCF/FAC Update   | Discussed under 3.1 and 4.1  |
| 4.3                    | Overload statistics  | The Chair noted that he had received BC Ferries raw data on overloads but needs to be analyzed. BC Ferries has indicated a larger vessel would be available if the Municipality had two-lane loading.<br><br>Councillor Morse agreed to analyze the overload statistics to assist the Committee in looking at the data for trends  |
| 5.                     | <b><u>INFORMATION &amp; ON-TABLE ITEMS</u></b>                               | None   |
| 6.                     | <b>NEXT MEETING</b>  | 7:15 p.m. June 3, 2009   |
| 7.                     | <b>ADJOURNMENT</b>   | The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.   |