

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH

Minutes of the **SPECIAL PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Meeting

Monday, May 26, 2008, at 6:16 p.m.  
Central Saanich Municipal Council Chamber

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**PRESENT:** Councillor Alastair Bryson, Chair  
Mayor Mar, Councillors Garrison, King, Mason and Thompson  
Gary C. Nason, Administrator  
Sara C. Ribeiro, Municipal Clerk  
Nirmal Bhattacharya, Municipal Engineer  
Roland Rocheleau, Senior Engineering Technician

**ABSENT:** Councillor Graham

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**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

571.08            MOVED BY COUNCILLOR THOMPSON  
                     NO SECONDER  
                     *That the Agenda for the Special Public Works & Transportation  
                     Committee Meeting held on May 26, 2008, be approved as circulated.*  
                     CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**1. Recommendation from the Brentwood Bay Traffic Committee Working Group  
Re: 40 km/hr Speed Restriction**

- a) E-mail correspondence dated May 14, 2008, from the Chair of the Traffic Committee Working Group
- b) Copy of the report / recommendations dated March 25, 2008, from the Brentwood Bay Traffic Committee Working Group
- c) Correspondence Pertaining to the Recommendations from the Brentwood Bay Traffic Committee Working Group received at the April 21, 2008, May 5, 2008, and May 20, 2008, Regular Council Meetings:
  - i) I Buicliu Re: Request for Reduction in Speed Limit to 30 Km/hr Between Keating Cross, Central Saanich and Tanner Roads
  - ii) L Mueller Re: Request to Close Off Twin View Drive to Vehicular Traffic [Note: The letter writer has requested that his letter also be forwarded to the 40 km/hr speed restriction discussions.]
  - iii) L O'Hagan, 884 Sluggett Road, April 8, 2008
  - iv) L Glynn, 948 Sluggett Road, April 12, 2007 [Form Letter Signed by an Additional 23 Signatories.]
  - v) C Bannister, 884 Sluggett Road, April 16, 2008
  - vi) A Serson, 980 Creekside Court, April 18, 2008
  - vii) C Bannister, 884 Sluggett Road, April 30, 2008
  - viii) C Hunter, 6402 Oldfield Road, May 4, 2008
  - ix) B Liblong, 7103 Hagan Road, May 4, 2008
  - x) J Grayson, 4870 Lochside Drive, May 9, 2008

The Administrator, Gary C. Nason, overviewed the subject and responded to questions from members of Committee.

Mr. Wayne Watkins, 7055 Wallace Drive, spoke to his e-mail correspondence of May 14, 2008, noting the Traffic Committee's recommendation for a maximum speed of 40 km/hr in Brentwood Bay, with the exception of school and construction zones. However, he advised the Traffic Committee does not have a position on the 30 km/hr zones currently enforced in Brentwood Bay and they are comfortable with maintaining them as such. By reducing speed limits, it will increase safety and encourage a walkable community. He responded to questions from the Committee.

A brief discussion occurred between Committee, and Staff responded to questions. The Municipal Engineer noted the cost of implementing approximately 155 signs to accommodate a blanket 40 km/hr speed limit in Brentwood Bay, not including Verdier Avenue, would cost approximately \$40,000.00. If the current 30 km/hr zones were maintained, Staff would need to install 120 new signs thereby requiring a cost of approximately \$30,000.00. The Senior Engineering Technologist noted that "community signs" cannot be enforced and that all streets would require signage in

