Reviewed and approved by the Board, January 2025

2024 Whistler Chamber AGM

December 6, 2024

Four Seasons Resort & Residence, Whistler

1. Call to Order

Christopher Vick, Chair of the Board, calls meeting of the 2024 Annual General Meeting to order 11.11am.

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting was held on the traditional, unceded, shared territories of the Squamish Nation and Lil'wat Nation. By acknowledging the Squamish Nation and Lil'wat Nation as traditional and ongoing custodians of these lands, it is a reminder of our responsibilities. Our responsibilities to each other, to the land, and to building enduring relationships through truth and reconciliation. The Ambassadors from the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre will join the lunch session for a formal welcome.

Ascertainment of Quorum

Quorum confirmed of more than 20 Members present.

2. Adoption of the Rules of Order

J. Murl. D.Chan. All / Motion carried.

3. Approval of the Agenda

J. Murl. D.Chan. All / Motion carried.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the last meeting

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting for the Whistler Chamber of Commerce held December 7, 2023, be approved as presented. **J. Murl. D.Chan. All / Motion carried.**

5. Report of the Board

This year, your board met for six regularly scheduled meetings, along with two additional meetings and multiple active committee meetings and discussions throughout the year.

The Chair recognized the important work from the Board of Directors and Chamber team.

6. Financial Report and Financial Statements

David Low, Treasurer, provided a report of the Chamber's financial results and year end statements.

The Chamber remains in a strong financial position, growing revenues with increased in-person events and training. There is sufficient contingency to all reinvestment in member services.

The board approved financial statements were available on the Chamber's website for member's review.

There were no questions from the membership regarding the year end statements.

7. Appointment of Accountant

As required by our bylaws and recommended by the Finance Committee of the Board, there was a motion to approve BDO Canada LLP as the accountant for the fiscal 2025 year and authorize the board to set the remuneration.

K.Thompson. M. Hashimoto. All / Motion carried.

8. Election of Directors

The Chair of the Nomination and Elections Committee, Wendy Hargreaves, provided the report of the committee and the result of the nominations and election process.

In accordance with our By-laws, the Nomination committee was struck in August 2024, more than 30 days before the AGM and our members were notified of the call for Nominations as of September through emails, websites and social media.

Through a combination of terms ending as of this Annual General meeting and resignations from the board, there were three director positions to be filled for the coming year. As at the close of Nominations on November 1, a total of five complete nominations were received. With more nominations than vacancies, an election was held. Each member in good standing received an electronic voting link.

As per bylaws, the nominees with the most votes were elected for the upcoming year:

- Moody Dan, Operations Manager, SLCC
- David Low, Director, Community Futures Howe Sound
- Katie Thompson, Four Seasons Resort and Residence, Whistler

The committee Chair acknowledged acknowledge the commitment and service of the outgoing director, John Holton.

9. Other Business

In 2020, the members approved the recommended bylaw changes that addressed the requirement imposed by the RMOW to have an elected council representative on the Whistler Chamber board in order to qualify for its Fee for Service funding program, the core funding of the guest experience training program provided by the Chamber.

The requirement to have an appointed elected official to the Board is prohibited by the Boards of Trade Act, therefore the member approved bylaws were rejected by Corporations Canada.

As a result of the comprehensive review of the bylaws, Corporations Canada outlined a number of areas that had been grandfathered that would no longer be accepted. To address the concerns outlined by Corporations Canada, the Board undertook a complete rewrite of the bylaws.

At the 2023 AGM, members adopted significant amendments to the Chamber's bylaws to ensure that the Chamber is in compliance with the Boards of Trade Act. Corporations Canada has since requested more changes, which have been incorporated and presented for approval.

Motion: As a special resolution that the bylaws of the Chamber be altered by deleting the existing bylaws in their entirety to be replaced with the bylaws attached to the Notice of this meeting.

D. Chan. D.Low. All / Motion carried.

10. ED Report

The ED provided an overview of 2023/24 and an update on 2024/25 initiatives.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11.40am

J.Murl. J.Morden. All / Motion carried.