

**The Corporation of the Village of Cumberland
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**



**February 23, 2026, 3:00 p.m.
Cultural Centre
2674 Dunsmuir Avenue**

Council Present: Mayor Vickey Brown
Councillor Neil Borecky
Councillor Sean Sullivan
Councillor Troy Therrien
Councillor Nick Ward

Staff Present: Michelle Mason, Chief Administrative Officer
Courtney Simpson, Director of Development and Bylaw Services
David Dougherty, Director of Engineering & Public Works
Annie Berard, Director of Corporate Services
Kevin McPhedran, Director of Community Services
Rachel Parker, Corporate Officer
Jason Wallace, Manager of Municipal Projects
Melissa Roeske, Legislative Services Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and recognized the unceded traditional territory of the K'ómoks First Nation and offered gratitude for the care and stewardship of this land since time immemorial.

2. Agenda

2.1 Agenda for Committee of the Whole meeting, February 23, 2026

Moved by: Borecky

Seconded by: Ward

THAT the Committee approve the Agenda for the February 23, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting with the addition of a matter for the Closed Portion of the meeting under section 90(1) (k) of the Community Charter, negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could

reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

Carried Unanimously

3. Delegations

None

4. Reports

4.1 No. 2 Dam Design – Hydrology Assessment

The Committee discussions reviewed questions around cost, flow management, impacts on fish and storage capacity, and assumptions used for 1:100 and 1:1000 year storm modeling. Additional concerns included erosion, seismic risks, harvesting, and trail impacts.

Moved by: Ward

Seconded by: Borecky

THAT the Committee of the Whole support staff continuing to move forward with Option 3, which includes upgrading both No. 2 Dam and Henderson Lake Dam as indicated in the Cumberland No. 2 Dam & North Branch Perseverance Creek Rehabilitation Design – Hydrology Assessment dated February 17, 2026.

Carried Unanimously

5. Question Period

Questions received about No. 2 Dam

6. Closed Portion

Moved by: Sullivan

Seconded by: Ward

THAT Council close the meeting at 3:20 p.m. to the public pursuant to Section 90 of the *Community Charter* to consider:

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

(k) of the Community Charter, negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in

the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

Carried Unanimously

7. Adjournment

Moved by: Sullivan

Seconded by: Borecky

THAT the Committee adjourn the meeting at 5:13 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Mayor

Certified Correct by Corporate Officer