



**MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING
OF THE 39TH COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF LANGLEY
HELD IN CITY HALL
20399 DOUGLAS CRESCENT**

**ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018
AT 7:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor van den Broek
Councillors Albrecht, James, Martin, Pachal, Storteboom
and Wallace

F. Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer
D. Leite, Director of Corporate Services/ Deputy CAO
G. Minchuk, Director of Development Services and
Economic Development
R. Bomhof, Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment
K. Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community
Services
K. Kenney, Corporate Officer
P. Kusack, Deputy Corporate Officer
D. Joyal, Executive Assistant

Honoured Guests: The Honourable Judge Rob Hamilton, British Columbia
Provincial Court
Former Mayor Ted Schaffer
Chief Marilyn Gabriel, Kevin Kelly, Michael Kelly-Gabriel,
Kwantlen First Nation
Pastor Steve Nicholson, Christian Life Assembly
Jack McLeod, Piper

Honour Guard: Cst. Deanna Law
Cst. Jason Kennard
Firefighter Dave Skidmore
Firefighter Ryan Nordan

A procession consisting of Piper, Honour Guards and Council members entered Council chambers.

Councillor Elect Storteboom led the group singing O Canada.

Kevin Kelly thanked Council for the honour of performing at the Inaugural ceremony. On behalf of the Kwantlen First Nation, he expressed his appreciation for the friendships that have developed over the years and that they look forward to the future. The members performed a Welcome & Honour song after which

Chief Marilyn Gabriel expressed her appreciation to the past Mayor and Council for their hard work and welcomed the new Council sharing well wishes and personal experiences. Knowing the tough job they have ahead of them, she raised her hands to Council offering her gratitude for the time and energy they will put in to continuing the work of the past and paving the way to an exciting future for the community.

The Corporate Officer called the Inaugural Meeting of the 2018 - 2022 Langley City Council to order and asked the Honorable Judge Hamilton of the Provincial Court of British Columbia to administer the Oaths of Office.

Judge Hamilton administered the Oath of Office to Mayor-elect Val van den Broek for a term ending in 2022.

Former Mayor, Ted Schaffer prepared to bestow the Chain of Office on Mayor van den Broek noting that he was honoured and privileged to place the chain of office on Mayor elect van den Broek. He acknowledged the responsibilities, authority and dignity that are attached to the office of Mayor and knows that the new Council will move the City forward in a positive and productive direction.

He placed the Chain of Office on Mayor Schaffer.

Judge Hamilton administered the Oath of Office to the following Councillors-elect for a term ending in 2022:

Paul Albrecht
Teri James
Gayle Martin
Nathan Pachal
Rudy Storteboom
Rosemary Wallace

The aforementioned Councillors then took their places as members of the Thirty-Ninth Council of the City of Langley.

Mayor van den Broek invited Pastor Steve Nicholson, from Christian Life Assembly to deliver the Invocation. He expressed that it was his honour to be part of the Inaugural ceremony and congratulated the Mayor and members of Council on their success. He considered it a privilege to pray for the new leadership and wished them the best in the work they will undertake in leading the community.

Mayor van den Broek introduced the new Council and recognized the following people in attendance:

- **Council:** Rudy Storteboom, Rosemary Wallace, Gayle Martin, Teri James, Nathan Pachal and Paul Albrecht.
- **Guests of Honour** - The Honourable Judge Rob Hamilton; former Mayors Ted Schaffer, Joe Lopushinsky, Aubrey Searle; former Councillors Jack Arnold and Terry Smith, Kwantlen First Nations Chief Marilyn Gabriel, Kevin Kelly and Michael Kelly-Gabriel; Pastor Steve Nicholson, and Mr. Jack McLeod, Piper.
- **RCMP** - Inspector Peter Jadis;
- **RCMP Honour Guard:** Cst. Jason Kennard and Cst. Deanna Law
- **Fire Rescue Service Honour Guard:** Firefighters Dave Skidmore and Ryan Nordan

1) INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Mayor van den Broek delivered her Inaugural Address:

Inaugural Address
Mayor Van van den Broek
November 5, 2018

As the City of Langley's 39th Council, I and fellow Council members Paul Albrecht, Teri James, Gayle Martin, Nathan Pachal, Rudy Storteboom & Rosemary Wallace would like to thank everyone for attending this special event with us tonight. We're grateful & excited as a team to keep moving the City forward in a positive direction. As an experienced Council, we can immediately hit the ground running. So many great projects have been accomplished in recent years and we will continue to build on that. We were elected to speak to the concerns of the citizens & it's now our responsibility to do that in an open & constructive way.

We also have a responsibility to provide a healthy quality of life for our citizens. Previous Council started by opening the new Timms Recreation Center, refreshing our parks, trail system & playgrounds. We built community gardens & dog parks. Places for families to picnic & children to play. There has been very positive feedback & we will continue to grow & improve these spaces to support social & physical activities.

A safe community is essential & is a direct result of partnerships – a coordinated effort. This is why I'm continuing the Crime Prevention Task Group with Councillor Pachal. Working with RCMP, ICBC, City staff & volunteers, the task group can encourage & foster crime prevention strategies. Education & awareness is the key to building a safer community.

Homelessness is the most pressing social issue. There are various reasons people are homeless. It is a complex problem as most people do not choose homelessness and there are other underlying medical matters such as mental health & drug addiction. Council will resume working with other communities, the Provincial & Federal Governments to seek solutions for a regional plan.

Volunteers – To them I say thank you in advance. The City couldn't function without this remarkable network of people. We invite everyone in the community to get involved in your community. This could be in the form of attending yearly neighbourhood open houses or attending community events, donating your time to a committee or taskforce. We can't do this alone; you can help us achieve our goals.

This is an exciting time for the City of Langley as we are on the verge of many transformations. Transportation is one. We are part of a regional plan that has already started improved bus services. Options will continue to grow as we do. The continued support and collaboration with neighbouring communities such as the Township of Langley, City of Surrey, Corporation of Delta, & the City of White Rock will help us achieve our goals. Many people live south of the Fraser and rely on Translink to get them to school, doctors' appointments, and work. The more options students, seniors, families & individuals have will decrease the impact on our environment & improve quality of life.

The City of Langley has an incredible support system within its boundaries. Our partnerships with the DLBA, Discover Langley, Chamber of Commerce & numerous other organizations are invaluable. Councillor Paul Albrecht & Councillor Teri James will co-chair the Economic Development Committee to keep our current businesses prospering & to seek out new businesses & encourage them to relocate here. Langley City shattered growth & development records in 2017, which also means job growth & prosperity. Revitalization & improvements in residential & commercial areas have been made and more are to come. From exciting projects like a new brew pub downtown, to family friendly townhouses, being built, we are closer to being a smart growth walkable & vibrant City.

Taxation remains an important issue for residents. A major portion of our incomes is going to the ever-increasing costs of living & housing. There's usually little money left over. With no impact to the taxpayer, casino proceeds have & will continue to help with infrastructure projects & much needed community services. Council will continue to be fiscally responsible & with the support of our amazing City staff, we can make the difficult financial decisions that lie ahead.

At this time, I'd like to thank Mayor Ted Schaffer for his long-time service and devotion to this community. You sir, are truly remarkable and I'm glad to be able to say that I had the chance to work with you. Your compassion and thoughtfulness for this city and all its residents is priceless. I wish nothing but the best for you and your lovely family.

In the next 4 years I look forward to working with our incredible staff members who truly work hard every day to make this community great.

Fellow Council members – We will create the Langley City of the Future. We come from all walks of life, different perspectives & experiences. We will have differences of opinion at this table, but those differences will only serve to challenge us and to ensure we arrive at the best possible decisions. We will show our community it is possible to disagree, but still maintain a mutual respect and attitude of teamwork, that at the end of the day focuses on moving our city forward...together.

Tonight I stand before you as your new Mayor and I am truly humbled. I will continue the great work and success of the past but will bring new ideas forward for an ever-changing City. I value the quality of life for our community & endeavor to continue its progress so residents are proud of where they live. I will represent not only those who speak loudly and often, but also those whose voices are not readily heard.

Because of all of you and your support for me we can continue to "MOVE FORWARD" In Langley City making it the place to be!

2) APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

MOVED BY Councillor Albrecht

SECONDED BY Councillor Wallace

THAT the Deputy Mayor rotation be appointed as follows:

Councillor Gayle Martin – Nov. 5, 2018 to Dec. 31, 2018

Councillor Rosemary Wallace – Jan. 1 to Feb. 28, 2019

Councillor Rudy Storteboom – Mar. 1 to Apr 30, 2019

Councillor Teri James – May 1 to Jun 30, 2019

Councillor Nathan Pachal – Jul. 1 to Aug 31, 2019

Councillor Paul Albrecht - Sep. 1 – Oct 31, 2019

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and same was

CARRIED

3) OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor van den Broek invited each member of Council to say a few words. Each Council member had an opportunity to thank their supporters.

Mayor van den Broek invited everyone to join Council in the CKF Boardroom for refreshments following the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:50 p.m.

MOVED BY Councillor Martin
SECONDED BY Councillor James

THAT this meeting now adjourn.

CARRIED

MAYOR

Certified Correct:
pdk

DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER