

DISTRICT OF UCLUELET

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held in the
Council Chamber, 200 Main Street, Ucluelet, BC on
April 14, 2009 at 7:30 pm

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Eric Russcher
Councillor Derek Drake
Councillor Dario Corlazzoli
Councillor Randy Oliwa
Councillor Bill Irving

STAFF PRESENT:

Andrew Yeates, CAO
Saila Hull, Director of Corporate Services
Felice Mazzoni, Director of Planning
Abby Fortune, Director of Recreation

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Russcher called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

MINUTES:

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting Held on March 24th, 2009 with the following amendment: replace the word “defer” with “refer” on Page 4 under R-5. **CARRIED***

BUSINESS ARISING:

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Councillor Oliwa to rescind the following motion: “It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Oliwa to approve the direction to move towards electronic agendas and place \$12,000 for laptops, chairs and a document camera for the community room in the 2009 budget”. **CARRIED***

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Councillor Oliwa to refer the \$12,000 community room items to 2009 budget review. **CARRIED***

CORRESPONDENCE:

C-1 Dave McIntosh, George Fraser Society

Re: Funding Request

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to forward the \$2,000 request to 2009 budget review. **CARRIED**

C-2 Gail Shea, Ministry of Fisheries & Oceans

Re: Halibut Quota

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Drake and Oliwa to receive for information. **CARRIED***

C-3 Stephanie Hutchinson, Vancouver Island Health Authority

Re: Notice of Proposed Change to Terms and Conditions of Operating Permit

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Oliwa to receive for discussion. **CARRIED***

C-4 Jan Draeseke, Chamber of Commerce, Merchants Committee

Re: Request from Chamber of Commerce Merchant Committee

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Oliwa and Drake to receive for information. **CARRIED***

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Drake and Councillor Irving to refer the Merchants Committee funding request to 2009 budget review and to direct staff to investigate the feasibility of applying gas tax funds to the project and what funds are available in 2009 from the gas tax revenues. CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS:

I-1	Mike Doutaz, Area Chief Small Craft Harbours Re: New Program Officer
I-2	Peter Sundberg, City Green Solutions Re: Energy Saving Home Renovation Grants
I-3	Ministry of Healthy Living and Sports Re: 9th Edition of the BC Seniors Guide
I-4	Sue Conroy, Chief Operating Officer, BC Ambulance Service Re: CUPE Local 873 Negotiations Update/Essential Services
I-5	Nancy Henderson, SPARC BC Re: Access Awareness Day – June 6, 2009
I-6	Union of British Columbia Municipalities Re: Upcoming Application Deadlines
I-7	Paige McFarlane, Ministry of Education Re: Call for Nominations – Council of Federation Literacy Award
I-8	Kelly Drybrough, Port Alberni & District Labour Council Re: April 28th – National Day of Mourning
I-9	Nicole Biederbeck, Safe Drinking Water Foundation Re: First Nations Drinking Water Restrictions
I-10	Dora Turje, Registrar, Youth Parliament of BC Alumni Society Re: 80th British Columbia Youth Parliament

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Oliwa to receive items I-1 through I-10 for information. **CARRIED**

I-3 Ministry of Healthy Living and Sports
Re: 9th Edition of the BC Seniors Guide

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Oliwa to send the information to the senior's society. CARRIED

COMMITTEES:

Mayor Eric Russcher

ACRD	Budget is complete and info has been passed on to member municipalities Airport lands – starting tendering process for new terminal building; waiting for response from ICE-T for other capital improvements
Fisheries Resource Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hake quota has been cut in half this year. Fillets are only product that is economically viable at the moment. • Halibut report came out – allocation and percentages are the same. Recovery is looking positive for 2011/2012 due to water conditions (colder water moving in). • There may be a sports sockeye fishery this year. Other rec fisheries will be maintained at same level.
Food bank	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March was record month for requests due to economic downturn • Public donations and from co-ops are much appreciated. Can now hand

	out bread due to bread box in Port Alberni.
UEDC	BC Community Forest Association Conference AGM is being held in Port Alberni.
ICE-T	Premier has not confirmed next funding call (May 12 most likely)
Recreation Commission (joint with Tofino)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soccer season ending and ball season starting • Trail to Long Beach – work with Parks Superintendent on trail linkages. Youth component and Torch relay.
Maa-Nulth Treaty Signing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All tribes were in attendance and all levels of governments • Treaty Settlement Lands transfers are going through quite likely
AVICC	All of council were in attendance this year. Attended forestry forum, and overall the convention was a success.

Moved by Councillor Irving second by Corlazzoli to send Acting EDO and Chair of UEDC to BC Community Forest Association. CARRIED

Councillor Corlazzoli

Vancouver Island Library Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at streamlining the committee system – trial for one year • New technology on website. It is very interactive. • Children Book Fest on May 2nd in Nanaimo. • Budget is on track.
Wild Pacific Trail Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having difficulties getting signage up at Brown’s Beach (Weyerhaeuser lands); confusion over responsibility – would like in place for Earth Day – blue sign with P on it (standardized signage) • Peninsula and Coast Guard Rd signage – better communication with staff • Dogs off leash area possibility instead of trail • Concerns with directors insurance • Trying to get substantial bike racks incorporated into trail heads

Councillor Irving

Harbour Advisory Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manager for SCH will be here on April 23rd to meet with the Harbour Authority • Business plan reviewed – 4 left out of 8 due to projects being underway. New priority order created – 1. Dredging, 2. Showers / Laundry, 3. Breakwater and 4. Lighting in Parking lot for better security. Already underway are the high-speed Internet and electrical upgrade projects. The volume does not justify computerized monitoring of vessels. • They are recommending the use of the seaplane boat launch for kayaks instead of Alder St; would like to see it cleaned off and have available for use this year.
Coastal Community Network (CCN)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ucluelet is on the Board of Directors of CCN, and they asked if Ucluelet would be involved in policy development and lobbying. Noted that Ucluelet was a founding member. • Refocusing on core issues and crisis in the fish industry – important group to be a part of it.

Moved by Irving seconded by Corlazzoli for staff to check into status of foreshore lease on Alder Street in front of District’s road and bring recommendation to council on how to keep the water access available for public use. CARRIED

Councillor Drake

Tourism Ucluelet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TAVI declined contract to handle marketing for Tourism Ucluelet; TU is handling its own marketing and revisit next year (\$40,000) • Website is underway – working on design and functionality; able to get good user stats • Discussed using Emily Carr’s history to promote the area • Premiere for film on Wild Pacific Trail is next week
Chamber of Commerce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have specific requests for public washroom installation – need to get in place as soon as possible • Working on ideas with Tourism Tofino ED such as a media buyer
Westcoast Multiplex Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be making a presentation to ACRD next week on detail for site location and project details – will be at next council meeting.

Councillor Oliwa

Emergency Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended quarterly meeting with new Manager of Emergency Services
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REPORTS:

R-1 Jeanette O’Connor, Manager of Finance

Re: Expenditure Voucher G-07/09

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to approve the Manager of Finance’s report. CARRIED

R-2 Martin Gee, Director of Finance

Re: Grant in Aid Application Process

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to direct staff to create a policy and application similar to the ACRD documents and make those approved documents available on the Ucluelet website. **CARRIED**

It was noted that the ACRD document needs to be clarified (points 1, 5 and 7). Council would like to see the deadline in December, clarification on what a subsidized or commercial organization is, and would like the ability to fund organizations on a more than one-time or project basis.

R-3 Steve Bird, Harbour Manager

Re: April Report

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to receive the report for information. CARRIED

R-4 Abby Fortune, Director of Recreation

Re: Ucluelet Community Centre Hub Funding Update

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to receive the update on the Community Hub for information. CARRIED

It was noted that council would like clarification on the total project dollars; separate total costs for the daycare and community center, and would like to see interest removed from the revenue figures.

R-5 Geoff Lyons, Acting Economic Development Officer

Re: Update on UEDC

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Oliwa to receive the Acting Economic Development Officers report for discussion. CARRIED

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Oliwa to approve Chantel Gemmel as a new member of the UEDC Advisory. CARRIED

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Oliwa to send a letter from the Mayor, on behalf of the UEDC and Council thanking Marc Noel for his years of service to the UEDC. CARRIED

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Drake to endorse the corporation structure proposal. CARRIED (opposed: Councillor Oliwa)

Foreshore Leases –meeting with Ucluelet First Nation

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Oliwa and Irving to table the motion to endorse the meeting between the Ucluelet FN and UEDC Advisory regarding foreshore leases. CARRIED

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Drake and Oliwa to continue the membership in VIDEA for \$270. CARRIED

LEGISLATION:

BR-1 Felice Mazzoni, Director of Planning

Re: Proposed OCP Amendment & Rezoning of 1970 Harbour Crescent

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Oliwa to:

- *consider 2nd reading for OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 1094, 2009 for the following amendment to the Official Community Plan No.900, 2004: Amending the land-use designation of the subject property from Industrial to Comprehensive Development;*
- *consider 2nd reading for Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1095, 2009 for the following amendment to the Zoning Bylaw No.800, 1999: Rezoning the subject property from Industrial (I-1) zoning to Comprehensive Development (CD-7) zoning; and*
- *To instruct the District's Planning Department to proceed with the public hearing and the necessary referrals and advertisements. CARRIED*

B-1 Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1094, 2009

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to give Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1094, 2009 second reading. CARRIED

B-2 Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1095, 2009

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Oliwa to give Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1095, 2009 first reading as amended. CARRIED

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Oliwa and Corlazzoli to give Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1095, 2009 second reading. CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Derek and Irving to provide a letter of support for the Westcoast Community Resources Society to maintain the current level of funding for the youth outreach worker program by the Province. CARRIED

Roundtable of Forestry Issues

Twenty-nine (29) recommendations were made. Councillor Irving would like a response to be ready from council in the next two to four weeks in time for the formation of the new Provincial new government. The Mayor directed Councillor Irving and Drake to create a blended response for the District for council to respond to.

Marine Drive Properties Court Proceedings

The Director of Planning provided an update on the golf course. He noted that the court had awarded conduct of sale, and that the developer is now the Receiver-Manager. They are looking to complete the subdivision through bonding as soon as possible. The District solicitor will ensure due diligence to get payment up front before work on the land can occur – he is providing a letter to council and staff.

Dogs Off Leash

Councillor Corlazzoli requested that staff look into considering designating a location for dogs off leash (such as the Seaplane Base Hall) and the installation of signage for no dogs during ball season.

Geese Management at Tugwell Fields

Councillor Corlazzoli requested that staff investigate resident geese management issues.

Community to Community Forum

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Oliwa to support the grant application for the upcoming Community to Community Forum with the Ucluelet First Nations and to confirm council attendance at the forum.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD:

Don Foster asked about the different values given for the community centre project. The Mayor clarified that there are two projects - the community centre hub and the daycare which have separate funding sources.

Judy Gray noted that the golf course is being listed with CB Richard Ellis commercial properties, and there may be a number of interested parties in the project. They will try to sell it as one package and are looking at completing the subdivision. Ms. Gray also noted that three buildings in Ucluelet have been nominated for commercial building awards this year: The Moorage phase 1, The Ridge phase 2 and Black Rock under hospitality.

Joe Atkinson - President of strata of Water's Edge (formerly Tauca Lea) inquired about water / sewer rates and the possibility of going to metering. The Mayor requested that Mr. Atkinson write a letter to staff and that he will get response from staff regarding options.

Approved

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Eric Russcher adjourned the meeting at 9:14 pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT: Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, April 14th, 2009 at 7:30 pm, in the Council Chamber, 200 Main Street, Ucluelet, BC.

Eric Russcher
Mayor

Saila Hull
Corporate Officer