

**DISTRICT OF UCLUELET**

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held in the  
Council Chamber, 200 Main Street, Ucluelet, BC on  
April 28, 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

**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 April 14th, 2009 as presented - with the following amendments:*

c-3 for information instead of discussion; rec commission report – soccer season closing down and little league starting up; Councillor Oliwa instead of Councillor Drake twice under committee reports; R-4 replace information instead of important; public input water instead of ater.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC INPUT AND DELEGATIONS:**

Lisa Stewart introduced Sarah as the new reporter for the Westerly.

**D-1 West Coast Multiplex Society (Keith Gibson, Kendall Kelly)**

Re: Support in Spirit

The society provided an update on its progress to date and work with the regional district and next steps for the project. Looking to bring together all communities together in spirit to support the rink / pool recreational facility. Possibilities of partnering with golf course for facilities and job-sharing, and looking at bio-mass, geothermal and other green initiatives to help reduce operating costs. Presented the Memorandum of Understanding and looking for a council motion to authorize the signing of the MOU.

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Drake and Irving to authorize the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Westcoast Multiplex Society. CARRIED*

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

I-1	Honourable Mobina Jaffer, Q.C. <b>Re: Black History Month</b>
I-2	Robert Hobson, UBCM President <b>Re: Election Readiness Strategy</b>
I-3	UBCM <b>Re: Acceleration of Community Works Fund Payments</b>

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Drake to receive items I-1 through I-3 for information. CARRIED*

**COMMITTEES:**

*Mayor Eric Russcher*

<b>ACRD</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Westcoast directors met at airport and had tour of site &amp; future works needed</li> <li>• Looked at proposed terminal building location; tender will go in a week to capture insurance benefit. Waiting for ICE-T grant.</li> <li>• Fisheries committee: Area 23 roundtable – sockeye run will allow sports fishery with opening on June 15. 47,000 return of Chinook to Barkley Sound – allocation to sports fishery at the moment</li> </ul>
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*Councillor Corlazzoli*

<b>Fisheries – Hake Consortium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Went with Dianne St. Jacques – went through quotas for the year. 184,000 metric tonnes (48,000 metric tonnes for Canada which is 50% of last year). Objective is to determine whether offshore processing (joint venture) is possible. DFO rep is stating probably not possible. Total is going to be 62,000 metric tonnes because of rollover from last year – which list is 87,000 metric for the factories – early June teleconference to determine if joint venture will be allowed (market price in Brussels will determine value of fish).</li> <li>• Treaty between Canada – US will be settled by May 9 (hake agreement)</li> <li>• Need to conduct a complete survey up to Alaska to do a full survey and more research time. Will know more in June.</li> </ul>
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*Councillor Irving*

<b>Harbour Advisory Commission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Chair is Rich Parlee and Vice-Chair is Pat Leslie.</li> <li>• Met with Small Craft Harbour staff to go over issues in Ucluelet and to get better communication with them. Have agreed to come to Ucluelet quarterly; provide minutes and approved recommendations.</li> <li>• Long-term future of 52 steps is clear – will not exist. Possible expansion of outer basin and maintenance dredging. Looking at long-term planning for the harbour. Want Ucluelet to be centre for commercial vessels for offloading similar to Port Hardy with floating concrete barge offload. Encourage council to look for a site; will take to advisory to provide feedback and recommendations.</li> <li>• Asked engineering to look at Whisky Dock; heavy truck use will reduce life of dock thus they recommend a tonnage limit and need a maintenance program. Recommended placing brow logs out front to maintain outer pilings.</li> <li>• Were complementary of tidy operation at boat basin and SCH agreed to help finish the project – dock and ramp within a month or so. Already spending close to \$1 million this year.</li> </ul>
<b>Historical Society</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working to get commitment from Coast Guard for use of house for storage area</li> </ul>
<b>Area Management Board sub-committee meeting with DFO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mitigation strategy out of Pacific Salmon Treaty. Canada being asked by USA to reduce 30% of catch off Westcoast (\$3,000 a year for next ten years) due to it being offshore Columbia river fish. Alaska fishery agreed to reduce their catch as well.</li> <li>• Area Management Board trying to get compensation focused on Area G instead of whole coast. Regional District Fisheries Committee has a role to</li> </ul>

	<p>lobby. Local government could help facilitate process in fair and transparent manner.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need more funding for habitat and hatcheries to increase the resource.</li> </ul>
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*Councillor Drake*

<b>Westcoast Community Resources Society</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget meeting – approved and looking to address shortfall of ministry funding. Good process</li> <li>• Community lunches ongoing weekly</li> </ul>
<b>Chamber of Commerce</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fee for services fund for 2009 was increased</li> <li>• Natural Resources Committee – discussed ideas for harbour, fish farms wood village at junction area and forward ideas to UEDC</li> <li>• PRVC open seven days a week from 9 to 5 – renos are complete, website done by end of April</li> </ul>
<b>Westcoast Multiplex Society</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Details presented during delegation</li> <li>• AGM is May 25 from 7 to 9pm</li> </ul>

*Councillor Oliwa*

<b>Pacific Rim Whale Festival Society</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restructuring in organization; looking positive. Outcry from major sponsors (2,000 to 5,000) for too short a marketing window. AGM at end of May, smaller board, better reporting from committee through online forms, manual for running the event. Sept/Oct for sponsorships targeted at end of tourist season and six month marketing opportunity.</li> <li>• Looking for office space; perhaps could look at a lease agreement that could benefit both parties</li> </ul>
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**COM-2 Recommendations of the Harbour Advisory Commission**

**KAYAK LAUNCH**

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to direct staff to look into preparing the site at the end of Seaplane Base Road for a kayak launch in 2009 and a boat launch in 2010. CARRIED*

**PUBLIC ACCESS at ALDER ST**

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to direct staff to look into the status of water lease at the end of Alder St and to pursue the acquisition or the maintenance of the lease in order to maintain public water access. CARRIED*

**HARBOUR AUTHORITY BUSINESS PLAN**

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to receive for information the recommended amendments to the Harbour Business Plan. CARRIED*

**REPORTS:**

**R-1 Jeanette O'Connor, Manager of Finance**

Re: Expenditure Voucher G-08/09

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Oliwa to approve the Manager of Finance's report. CARRIED*

**R-2 Jeanette O'Connor, Manager of Finance**

Re: Building Permit Report

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to receive the Manager of Finance report. CARRIED*

**R-3 Public Works Superintendent**

Re: He-Tin-Kis, WPT Extension

*It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Irving to award the contract for the He-Tin-Kis WPT Extension to Ganges Excavating Services Ltd.*

**CARRIED**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The Mayor asked for an update on infrastructure grants such as the Building Canada Fund and thanked the planning department for the excellent letter to Minister Coleman for the integrated housing initiative. He also informed the public about the public information presentation for the 5-year financial plan being held on April 30 at 4pm in the council chambers.

**PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD:**

Don Foster – noted that the Columbia River does not fully belong to United States. World court ruled that rivers belong to the country of origin. Concerned about drop in Chinook stocks. Encouraged council to continue lobbying on behalf of fisheries.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Mayor Eric Russcher adjourned the meeting at 8:33 pm.*

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:** Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:30 pm, in the Council Chamber, 200 Main Street, Ucluelet, BC.

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Eric Russcher  
Mayor

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Saila Hull  
Corporate Officer