

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

COUNCIL PRESENT:

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

STAFF PRESENT:

Andrew Yeates, CAO
Barb Gudbranson, Admin. Secretary

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 June 23rd, 2009 as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS and PUBLIC INPUT:

Al Grozell; AG Project Management - 324 Reef Point Road.

Regarding LR-1 Report, there are a number of changes from the original application that include on-site energy generation, storm water treatment, floor space for educational studies and the development of closed containment salmon rearing. Construction will incorporate LEED sustainability concepts; housing will be separated from Industrial components. The project development would assist in addressing the short and long term employment opportunities in the area. Creating a seaplane and helipad base is a new aspect that would assist in bringing tourism to the community. Request that Council consider first and second readings and waive the re-application fee.

Len Dziama - 396 Pacific Crescent

Would like to recognize the hard work that council has put forth over the years, it is definitely not an easy job. Council has spoken about resurrecting the forestry and fishing industry over the past number of year, these types of positions are no longer options. Prior to election there was talk about diversification, job creation and various tourism opportunities. Have concern when council turns down development projects and hope that council is weighing considerations and benefits for the community. There has to be plans made, short, medium and long term for the community.

CORRESPONDENCE:

C-1 Gordon Campbell, Premier
Re: **UBCM Convention Meeting Requests**

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to discuss which Ministries to meet with at UBCM and create a list for staff.

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- I-1 Donald Lidstone, Kidney Foundation of Canada
Re: Round Em' Up – Bail 'Em Out
- I-2 Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities
Re: AVICC Convention
- I-3 Gary MacIsaac, Union of British Columbia Municipalities
Re: RCMP Contract Renewal Update
- I-4 Ken Vance, Union of British Columbia Municipalities
Re: Police Services: Cost and Accountability
- I-5 Mobina Jaffer, Senator for British Columbia
Re: Motion in the Senate Recognizing World Malaria Day

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to receive information items I-1 through I-5 for information.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Drake and Oliwa for staff to investigate the possibilities of hosting the 2011 or 2012 AVICC Convention.

CARRIED

COMMITTEES:

Mayor Eric Russcher

ACRD

- Multiplex Society had a presentation on a program for recycling garbage and producing energy out of it. This program would assist in eliminating the Landfill and assist in powering the Multiplex plus one community. They have three trial locations at the moment. ACRD is looking into more information and will forward reports when possible.

Food Bank on the Edge

- Client numbers are up over 100 and summer food donations are down making the Food Bank purchase more food items than normal.

Island Coastal Economic Trust

- There is still funding available for trails and harbour initiatives, nothing available to assist with the community center.

Recreation Commission

- Discussed set up for Ukee Days and volunteers. Councillors will be assisting in the beverage garden this year on music night.
- Thank you to Judy Gray for all her help.

Councillor Corlazzoli

Fisheries - Hake Consortium Teleconference

- No Hake as of yet - Americans will wait to close fishery at the end of this week, if this happens there will be no joint venture this year.
- USP has been processing pilchards while waiting for the hake.
- Concerns over not being able to catch enough product quickly enough in the season to process.

Councillor Irving

Historical Society

- Museum is a social and cultural benefit for community and society is actively moving forward with business plan this year with assistance from planning students.
- Huge amount of information and artifacts being stored in basements.

Councillor Drake

No meetings

Councillor Oliwa

George Fraser Group

- Group discussed overall direction they would like to go.
- Have been approached by the Historical Society about joining their Society yet remaining as a committee under their own name. This would assist GF group access grant applications and may also create more interest for memberships.
- Introduced district initiative of relationship with Fochabers in Scotland.

Pacific Rim Whale Festival

- AGM early this year, chair positions are filled and Marla Barker will be the president once again.

REPORTS:

R-1 Jeanette O'Connor, Manager of Finance

Re: Expenditure Voucher G-13/09

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Drake to receive Expenditure Voucher G-13/09.

CARRIED

R-2 Jason Niles, Assistant Planner

Re: Residential Strata Conversion Application

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Oliwa to approve the application for stratification of 1527 Peninsula Road on the condition that the parking area is expanded so vehicles do not back out on to the street.

CARRIED

R-3 Abby Fortune, Director of Recreation

Re: Ukee Days Noise Bylaw & Road Closure

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Oliwa to grant the closure of Fraser Lane on July 24th from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and for an extension of the Noise Regulation Bylaw on July 25th at the Ukee Day's Fairground until midnight.

CARRIED

R-4 Abby Fortune, Director of Recreation

Re: Torch Relay Grant- support

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to endorse the application for the Olympic Torch Relay Community Grant to assist with hosting as a Route Community.

CARRIED

R-5 Martin Gee, Director of Finance

Re: Tax Exemptions for Affordable Housing

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Drake for staff to draft a tax exemption policy.

CARRIED

R-6 Saila Hull, Director of Corporate Services

Re: Commercial Vehicle Licensing

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Irving to accept the recommendation of not participating in the commercial vehicle licensing program and for staff to explore options on regulating commercial vehicles in the District.

CARRIED

LR-1 Felice Mazzoni, Director of Planning

Re: Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1103, 2009 & Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1104, 2009

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to receive the planning departments report and waive half the cost of the reapplication fee and give first and second reading on both bylaw amendments.

CARRIED

LEGISLATION

LB-1 Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1103, 2009

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli to give first reading to the Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1103, 2009.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli and Drake to give second reading to the Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1103, 2009

CARRIED

LB-2 Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1104, 2009

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Drake and Irving to give first reading to the Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1104, 2009.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Oliwa and Drake to give second reading to the Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1104, 2009.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Tower Hill

Thanks to public works for the new fence at the water tower. Bottom of the hill by the service line vehicle bottoms out, needs to be looked at.

Elementary Playground Equipment

New playground equipment is a great addition to the school; second phase is still to come.

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Oliwa and Drake for staff to write a letter of appreciation to the Parent Advisory Council/Playground Committee and thanks to everyone involved with the installation of playground.

CARRIED

Seaplane Base Kayak Launch

Area has been created off of Seaplane Base road, need signage for launch and parking area.

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Drake for staff to expend resources on signage for parking and kayak launch site.

CARRIED

LEEDS Requirements

Some of the components required by LEEDS do not fit or make sense for the West Coast. Council questioned if LEEDS is the correct standard to use - one size fits all, urban standard. Staff should look at other options for standards or look at creating a distinct standard for the West Coast.

It was moved and seconded by Councillor Irving and Corlazzoli for staff to identify different building standards.

CARRIED

Pacific Salmon Treaty

Seeking endorsement for the Aquatic Management Boards' plan of the Ten-Year Effort Reduction/ Sustainability Plan for Area G Troll Fishery. This plan limits allocation impacts and utilizes mitigation funding in Area G. Trying to build up and keep this momentum going for the plan to be accepted.

It was moved by Councillor Irving and seconded by Mayor Russcher to endorse the Aquatic Management Board approach and recognize this in a letter to DFO.

CARRIED

Minister of Fisheries and Oceans was in Port Alberni and met with the Aquatic Management board who presented issues of an urgent nature. Americans are providing \$30 million dollars toward the Pacific Salmon treaty subject to receiving and agreeing to reports from Canada before releasing funds. Fishermen are impacted this year and there are no funds available until recommendations are approved in 2010.

Sewer Lagoons

Noted odor problems at the lagoon - there was a break in the line by the causeway on the weekend.

Skate Park

There is more graffiti at the site - would like staff to see if they can clean it up. Also council noted in the past that if the picnic table was defaced then it would be removed - think it needs to be removed now.

BMX Track

Council inquired when the resurfacing is going to take place.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD:

Tom Mureika, Westcoaster.ca - Interested in amount of food and numbers of people for the Food Bank on the Edge. Council noted to contact Lori Foster regarding food and approx. 113 persons in June.

Judy Gray, Remax Realty - when the Eco Industrial park was created the LEED guidelines were reduced as some initiatives did not fit with the west coast. Also, a number of years ago requested a red flashing light be installed at Peninsula Road and

Approved

Main Street as this is an intersection with an accident waiting to happen. Council installed an extra large stop sign which people are still missing. Request that council look into installing a red flashing light before someone is seriously hurt. BMX track is over growing with foliage, needs to have a maintenance plan along with rebuilding of the park.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Eric Russcher adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm.

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

Eric Russcher
Mayor

Andrew Yeates
CAO