



**ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT**  
**COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE**  
**MINUTES**

**Wednesday, April 11, 2007**

**Regional District Board Room**

Present: Vice-Chairperson: Glenn Wong, Directors: Penny Cote, Patty Edwards, John Fraser, Mike Kokura, Ken McRae, Stefan Ochman, Alternate Director: Cindy Solda.

Staff: Robert A. Harper, Administrator, Wendy Thomson, Administrative Assistant, Rick Stuckenberg, Manager of Planning and Development, Drew Hadfield, Manager of Environmental Services.

Regrets: Chairperson: Hira Chopra, Directors: Tony Bennett, Dianne St. Jacques.

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.
2. The Vice-Chairperson welcomed MLA Scott Fraser to the meeting.

**Petitions, Delegations & Presentations**

3. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by S. Ochman, "That Mr. Wayne Crowley be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."

"Carried"

4. Mr. Crowley said he was here again today to discuss the mess TimberWest has made behind his property from improper logging practices. Mr. Crowley circulated photos of the area that he took a couple weeks ago. Mr. Crowley said he has been recording everything since the problems started in August 2005. He said TimberWest has been logging seven days a week right in our watershed. Mr. Crowley said this is the worst example of logging he has ever seen in his life. He asked Directors to send a letter to Minister Coleman demanding that Mr. Stuart McPherson from the Private Managed Forest Land Council meet with the Regional District to address these issues. Mr. Crowley answered questions from Directors.

5. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That the Regional District forward a letter to the Minister responsible, expressing frustration with Private Forest Land Council and their controls of the logging practices in watersheds, with copies of the photo's taken by Wayne Crowley."

"Carried"



6. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by P. Cote, "That Mr. Jack Clock be allowed to speak."

"Carried"

7. Mr. Clock said poor logging practices by TimberWest have caused a disaster in the Beaufort area. He said private enterprise is destroying our watersheds. Mr. Clock said he is an environmentalist and he recently brought the David Suzuki Foundation to the Beaufort area to show them the damage.

8. The Chairperson thanked Mr. Crowley and Mr. Clock for their presentation.

9. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Edwards, "That Mr. Derek Appleton be invited to address the Regional District Board."

"Carried"

10. Mr. Appleton said the Sproat Lake Parks Commission undertook a task protocol agreement with Regional District staff and the Sproat Lake Parks Commission. Together, they have drafted a bylaw for consideration by the Board. The bylaw is to establish rules and regulations for governing the use of public community parks, open spaces, community recreation services, facilities and infrastructure in Electoral Area "D" (Sproat Lake) by a parks and services commission. Director Appleton outlined the proposed bylaw and encouraged staff to bring this bylaw forward for consideration by the Regional District Board. Director Cote advised that she supports to proposed bylaw.

11. Moved by P. Cote, seconded by K. McRae, "That staff be instructed to review and draft a Sproat Lake Parks Bylaw for consideration by the Board of Directors."

"Carried"

12. The Chairperson thanked Mr. Appleton for his presentation.

### **Minutes**

13. Moved by J. Fraser, seconded by S. Ochman, "That the minutes from the regular Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held on March 14, 2007 be adopted as circulated."

"Carried"



14. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That the To-Do List as of April 4, 2007 be received."

"Carried"

**Communications/Correspondence For Action**

15. Correspondence from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding the Effective Electoral Area Director Workshop, June 12 - 13, 2007.  
Moved by P. Cote, seconded by K. McRae, "That Directors be authorized to attend the Effective Electoral Area Director Workshop, June 12 & 13, 2007 in Vancouver, BC."

"Carried"

16. Moved by J. Fraser, seconded by P. Cote, "That the June 13, 2007 Committee-of-the-Whole meeting be changed to June 6, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. in the Regional District Board Room."

"Carried"

17. Letter dated April 2, 2007 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding Public Transit Infrastructure Program Funding.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Cote, "That staff be instructed to work together with City of Port Alberni staff to discuss options for use of the public Transit Infrastructure Program funding."

"Carried"

18. Letter dated March 27, 2007 from the Central Coast Regional District regarding Continuation and Expansion of BC Ferries Route 40, Discovery Coast Passage, Port Hardy to Bella Coola.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Edwards, "That this correspondence be received and the Committee-of-the-Whole support the Central Coast Regional District's efforts to ensure continued and expanded provision of BC Ferries Route 40 by writing to the provincial government Ministries that can influence the decision of the Transportation Ministry."

"Carried"

19. Letter dated March 29, 2007 from the Regional District of Nanaimo regarding Creating our Sustainable Future Workshop.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Edwards, "That interested Directors be



authorized to attend the Creating our Sustainable Future Workshop on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> in Nanaimo at their own expense.”

“Carried”

20. Letter dated April 2, 2007 from D. G. Regan and Associations regarding 2007 UBCM West Nile Virus Mosquito Program Update.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by S. Ochman, “That this correspondence be received and that the Regional District Participate in the West Nile Virus Mosquito Program.”

“Carried”

21. Memorandum dated April 4, 2007 from the Municipal Insurance Association of BC requesting feedback on the Limitation Act Reform.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by S. Ochman, “That the Regional District provide feedback to the Province of British Columbia on the proposed reforms to the Limitation Act recommending the liability period be reduced as much as possible.”

“Carried”

### **Communications/Correspondence For Information**

22. Moved by S. Ochman, seconded by P. Edwards, “That a letter be forwarded to the Provincial Government urging them not to impose the conditions of the Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement onto local government and that the Province hold public hearings on this issue.”

“Carried”

23. Moved by J. Fraser, seconded by P. Cote, “That the following correspondence be received for information: Union of British Columbia Municipalities re: Local Government Leadership Academy Update, Canadian Union of Public Employees, British Columbia Division re: Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement, Craig and Christine Sampson re: Motor Cross Sport Complex, Letter to the Editor, Alberni Valley Times and the Recycling Council of British Columbia re: Recap Newsletter.”

“Carried”



### **Other Reports**

24. Director McRae provided an update on the Island Coastal Economic Trust. An in-camera meeting was held last week to review 16 funding applications. Director McRae advised that Mr. Baronas, CEO for the trust will be meeting with the Regional District on April 25<sup>th</sup> to provide an overview of the Island Coastal Economic Trust.  
Moved by K. McRae, seconded by P. Cote, "That the verbal and written report on the Island Coastal Economic Trust be received for information."

"Carried"

### **Administration**

25. Administrative Memo regarding Solid Waste Management Plan - Progress Update.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That this correspondence be received for information."

"Carried"

26. Administrative Memo regarding Solid Waste Management - Coast Waste Management Association - Conference Update.  
Drew Hadfield, Manager of Environmental Services provided Directors with an overview of the conference.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Cote, "That this correspondence and verbal report be received."

"Carried"

### **Finances**

27. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 455.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by J. Fraser, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant No. 455 in the amount of \$367,680.30 dated April 5, 2007."

"Carried"

28. Directors reviewed Finance Warrant No. 455 page by page and staff answered questions.



29. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 395.  
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by S. Ochman, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve the Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 395 in the amount of \$141,769.21 dated April 5, 2007."

"Carried"

**New Business**

30. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That a letter be forwarded to Emcon Services requesting they clean up the shoulders on Kitsuksis Road from the City to Batty Road."

"Carried"

31. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by P. Edwards, "That this meeting now stand adjourned."

"Carried"

32. The meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Certified Correct:

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Glenn Wong,  
Vice-Chairperson

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Robert A. Harper,  
Administator