



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

Wednesday, May 9, 2007

Regional District Board Room

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

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

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Petitions, Delegations & Presentations

2. Moved by C. Solda, seconded by T. Bennett, "That Leslie Wright, President of the Mount Klitsa Garden Club be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."

"Carried"

3. Ms. Wright introduced Heather Washburn and provided an overview of their project to cut and dispose of broom in the Alberni Valley. Ms. Washburn said in June 2006, members of the Mt. Klitsa Garden Club took on the project of clearing the scotch broom infestation on the hill beside West Coast General Hospital. The club received excellent community response to the project. Scotch Broom is a "noxious weed" under the BC Weed Control Act. It is an aggressively invasive plant which crowds out native vegetation and is difficult to eradicate once it becomes established. Ms. Wright said the Mount Klitsa Garden Club is proposing a "Broom busting Week", June 3 - 9 in Port Alberni. She advised that the City of Port Alberni has agreed to let the public bring scotch broom to their facility at the end of Anderson Avenue. Ms. Wright asked Regional District Directors to consider waiving tipping fees at the Alberni Valley Landfill for their Broom Busting Campaign, June 3 to 9th, 2007. The delegation answered questions from Directors.

4. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by T. Bennett, "That tipping fees for scotch broom be waived at the Alberni Valley Landfill for Broom Busting Week, June 3 to 9, 2007."

"Carried"

5. The Chairperson thanked the delegation for their presentation.



6. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, "That Mr. Mike Mintz, Mr. Barry Dales and Mr. Craig Pederson, Emcon Services be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."

"Carried"

7. Mr. Mintz provided a brief overview of Emcon's plans for road maintenance and clean-up in the region. Emcon's area of responsibility starts at Ladysmith along Highway 4 to Tofino, Ucluelet and Bamfield. Mr. Mintz introduced Barry Dales, Supervisor for the West Coast area and Mr. Craig Pederson, Supervisor for Port Alberni and Bamfield area. Mr. Mintz discussed their summer clean-up program. He invited Directors to contact Mr. Pederson or Mr. Dales with any concerns. The delegation answered questions from Directors.

8. The Chairperson thanked the delegation for their presentation.

Minutes

9. Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the minutes from the regular meeting held on April 11, 2007 be adopted as circulated."

"Carried"

10. Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by T. Bennett, "That the To-Do List as of May 3, 2007 be received for information."

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence For Action

11. Letter dated February 1, 2007 from the Ucluelet First Nation requesting funding assistance for the first annual Yu-cluth-aht Holistic Celebration of Health, August 10, 11 and 12, 2007.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by D. St. Jacques, "That the Regional District award a special events grant in the amount of \$750.00 to the Ucluelet First Nation for their first annual Yu-cluth-aht Holistic Celebration of Health, August 10, 11, 12, 2007."

"Carried"

12. Letter dated January 31, 2007 from the Regional District of Central Kootenay regarding Fair Compensation from BC Hydro for Transmission and Distribution Lines Report.



Moved by S. Ochman, seconded by M. Kokura, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

13. April 26, 2007 from the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands regarding the recent landslides in the Beaufort Range.
Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by T. Bennett, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

14. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by C. Solda, "That Trish Balcaen, District Manager, Ministry of Forests, South Island Forest District be invited to meet with the Regional District Board to discuss the logging activities in the Beaufort Range."

"Carried"

15. Letter dated April 26, 2007 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding UBCM Conference - Final Treaty Agreements: Examining Local Government Interests.
Moved by C. Solda, seconded by T. Bennett, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

16. Memorandum dated May 2, 2007 from the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities regarding Modernization Strategy: Building Regulatory System Workshop.
Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by K. McRae, "That this correspondence be received for discussion."

"Carried"

17. Letter dated April 30, 2007 from the District of Ucluelet regarding Small Craft Harbour - Port Albion Dock.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by C. Solda, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"



18. Moved by P. Edwards, seconded by P. Cote, "That the Administrator be instructed to meet with the District of Ucluelet to discuss the removal of the Port Albion Dock from their lease agreement with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Small Craft Harbour."

"Carried"

19. Letter dated April 30, 2007 from the Vancouver Island Recreational Corridor Society regarding Le Vi-athon '07 Adventure Challenge.
Moved by K. McRae, seconded by C. Solda, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence for Information

20. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by J. Fraser, "That the following correspondence be received for information: Union of British Columbia Municipalities re: Highlights of the April Executive Meeting, re: Seniors Housing and Support Initiative - Pilot Project Approval re: Guide to Opportunities for Local Government and Public Participation in Provincial Regulatory Processes for Independent Power Producers' Projects, Timberline Natural Resource Group re: Arrowsmith Timber Supply Area Allowable Cut Determination Process Public Review, Ministry of Environment re: Expansion of Stamp Falls Park, Scott Fraser, MLA, Alberni/Qualicum re: Barclay Sound Float Home Issue, BC Non-Profit Housing Association re: Building Bridges, Building Opportunities, Port Alberni Port Authority re: Membership Cruise BC and Ministry of Transportation re: Route Proposal."

"Carried"

Reports

21. Director Cote reported on her attendance at a public meeting put on by the Alberni Valley Tourism Advisory Council on May 2nd. The Tourism Advisory Council is undergoing a Branding Strategy and the Development of a Marketing Plan for the Alberni Valley.
Moved by P. Cote, seconded by D. St. Jacques, "That this verbal report be received."

"Carried"



22. Rick Stuckenberg, Manager of Planning and Development provided a verbal update on a recent meeting with Integrated Land Management Bureau staff regarding float homes. The Province has started a scoping process to identify the main issues that would need to be addressed to resolve the float home sites in the Barkley Sound. Mr. Stuckenberg handed out copies of the preliminary issues identified by the Regional District which were discussed at the meeting with the Integrated Land Management Bureau. Mr. Stuckenberg advised that a meeting is being arranged between Integrated Land Management Bureau and Regional District Directors.
Moved by K. McRae, seconded by D. St. Jacques, "That this report be received."

"Carried"

Finances

23. Administrative memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 456.
Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by C. Solda, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant Number 456 in the amount of \$510,466.57 dated April 30, 2007."
- "Carried"
24. Directors reviewed Finance Warrant No. 456 page by page and staff answered questions from Directors.
25. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 396.
Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 396 in the amount of \$15,589.72 dated April 30, 2007."
- "Carried"
26. Administrative Memo regarding Details of March Cheque to Breakers Ltd.
Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by S. Ochman, "That this correspondence be received."
- "Carried"
27. Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by S. Ochman, "That the meeting be closed to the public to discuss matters relating to labour or other employee relations."

"Carried"



28. The meeting was closed to the public at 2:56 p.m.
29. The meeting was re-opened to the public at 3:41 p.m.
30. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by C. Solda, "That this meeting now stand adjourned."

"Carried"
31. The meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Glenn Wong,
Vice-Chairperson

Robert A. Harper,
Administrator