



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

Wednesday, February 20, 2008

Regional District Board Room

Present: Chairperson: Hira Chopra, Directors: Tony Bennett, Penny Cote, Patty Edwards, John Fraser, Mike Kokura, Ken McRae, Stefan Ochman, Dianne St. Jacques, Glenn Wong.

Staff: Robert A. Harper, Administrator, Wendy Thomson, Deputy Corporate Secretary, Mike Irg, Manager of Planning and Development, Drew Hadfield, Manager of Environmental Services.

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

Petitions, Delegations & Presentations

2. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by J. Fraser, "That Mr. Adam Shauntz, Port Alberni Claims Centre Manager, ICBC be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."

"Carried"

3. Mr. Shauntz said he was here this afternoon to talk about ICBC road safety initiatives. He provided an overview of the local claims centre in Port Alberni. Mr. Shauntz conducted a power point presentation outlining ICBC's road safety programs. He said ICBC's focus is to protect customers from risks on the road by preventing and minimizing the impacts of crashes and crimes. Mr. Shaunz answered questions from Directors.

4. The Chairperson thanked Mr. Shaunz for his presentation.

5. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, "That Mr. Peter Wightman and Ms. Barb Thomas, Ministry of Transportation be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."

"Carried"

6. Mr. Wightman provided an overview of the road maintenance program across British Columbia. Mr. Wightman said that Emcon Services looks after two contracts on Vancouver Island, this area being one of them. He said the Ministry of Transportation is in the 4th year of a 10 year contract with Emcon Services. Ms. Thomas provided a power point presentation on the Road and Bridge



Maintenance contract with Emcon Services. The delegation answered questions from Directors.

7. Director Bennett left the meeting at 2:10 p.m.
8. The Chairperson thanked the delegation for meeting with the Committee-of-the-Whole and asked for their support for the proposed highway connector.

Adoption of Minutes

9. Moved by P. Cote, seconded by J. Fraser, "That the minutes from the regular Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held on January 9, 2008 be adopted as circulated."

"Carried"

10. Moved by P. Cote, seconded by P. Edwards, "That the To-Do List as of February 13, 2008 be received for information."

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence For Action

11. Correspondence from the District of Sooke/Jacques Whitford AXYS/Capital Regional District regarding a Sustainable Communities Forum, March 6, 2008 in Sooke, BC.
Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by P. Cote, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence For Information

12. Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by K. McRae, "That the following correspondence be received for information: Union of British Columbia re: Completion of Regional Community-to-Community Forum, re: 2008 Membership, BC Hydro re: Street Light Information Management Program, BC Transit re: Approval for Management Company for the Port Alberni and Alberni-Clayoquot Transit Systems, Greater Victoria Film Commission and the Vancouver Island North Film Commission re: Recent Meeting, District of West Vancouver re: Federal and Provincial Government Sharing for Municipalities and City of Coquitlam re: Municipal Fiscal Imbalance."

"Carried"



Reports

13. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded K. McRae, "That the North Island 911 Minutes dated November 30, 2007 be received for information."

"Carried"

Administration

14. Administrative Memo regarding Sonicblue Airways - Crash, January 21, 2006. Moved by D. St. Jacques, seconded by P. Edwards, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

Finances

15. Administrative Memo regarding 2008 - 2012 Financial Plan Review. Moved by J. Fraser, seconded by K. McRae, "That this correspondence be received for discussion."

"Carried"

16. The Administrator provided an overview of the draft Financial Plan for the following services that are paid for by the entire Regional District: General Government Services, 911, Regional Planning Service, Regional Parks and Regional Hospital District. Directors reviewed the draft Financial Plan and staff answered questions from Directors. Director Kokura recommended putting some money in the budget for the Connector Road.

17. Director Bennett re-entered the meeting at 3:01 p.m.

18. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 464. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by T. Bennett, "That Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant No. 464 in the amount of \$660,859.64 dated December 31, 2007."

"Carried"

19. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 465.



Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by T. Bennett, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant No. 465 in the amount of \$477,288.09 dated January 31, 2008."

"Carried"

20. Directors reviewed Finance Warrant No. 464 and 465 page by page and staff answered questions.

21. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 403.

Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by S. Ochman, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve the Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 403 in the amount of \$802,334.39 dated December 31, 2007."

"Carried"

22. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 404.

Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by P. Edwards, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve the Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 404 in the amount of \$94,316.09 dated January 31, 2008."

"Carried"

New Business

23. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the following be allowed for consideration as a late item: forwarding a letter to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans requesting they provide funding to the Bamfield Huu-ay-aht Community Abalone Project in order to keep it running."

"Carried"

24. Moved by S. Ochman, seconded by K. McRae, "That a letter be forwarded to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans requesting they provide funding to the Bamfield Huu-ay-aht Community Abalone Project."

"Carried"

25. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by K. McRae, "That the following be allowed for consideration as a late item: consider a request from the Aquatic Management



Board to have staff draft a report on the coastal planning initiative and the benefits of a coastal plan.”

“Carried”

26. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, “That staff be instructed to draft a report for the West Coast Aquatic Management Board on the benefits of coastal planning.”

“Carried”

27. Moved by S. Ochman, seconded by D. St. Jacques, “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 3:15 p.m.

29. The meeting was re-opened to the public at 3:40 p.m.

30. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, “That this meeting now stand adjourned.”

“Carried”

31. The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Hira Chopra,
Chairperson

Robert A. Harper,
Administrator