



ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2009

REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM

Present: Chairperson: Hira Chopra, Directors: Tony Bennett, Penny Cote, John Fraser, Mike Kokura, Ken McRae, Stefan Ochman, Eric Russcher, Glenn Wong, Patty Edwards

Staff: Robert Sabine, CAO, Tom Gowan, Finance Manager, Tracy Bond, Secretary

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.
2. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, "That the minutes of the Special Board of Directors Meeting Public Consultation dated March 11, 2009 be received with the following amendment:
 - a. Item 9.b should read \$66, 861."

"Carried"

REPORTS:

3. Administrative Memo
Re: Tabled Motion - March 11th Special Board of Directors Meeting - Economic Development Contribution
Moved by G. Wong, seconded T. Bennett, "That the tabled motion from the Special Board of Directors meeting on March 11, 2009, regarding Economic Development Contribution be lifted from the table."

"Carried"

4. Moved by P. Cote, seconded by G. Wong, "That the 2009 - 2013 Financial Plan, page 62, be amended as follows:
 - a. 2009, Line 2, Tax Requisition, increase to \$15,000.00
 - b. 2009, Line 4, Contribution to Port Alberni (Economic Development) be increased to \$15,000.00
 - c. Area "A" (Bamfield) to contribute \$1,500.00
Area "B" (Beaufort) to contribute \$1,500.00
Area "D" (Sproat Lake) to contribute \$4,000.00
Area "E" (Beaver Creek) to contribute \$4,000.00
Area "F" (Cherry Creek) to contribute \$4,000.00"



5. Moved by J. Fraser, seconded by G. Wong, "That the main motion be amended as follows:
 - a. 2009, Line 2, Tax Requisition, increase to \$18,000.00
 - b. 2009, Line 4, Contribution to Port Alberni (Economic Development) be increased to \$18,000.00
 - c. 2009, District of Tofino to contribute \$3,000.00"

6. The main motion, as amended, was
"Carried"

7. Administrative Memo
Re: Review and Amendments to 2009 - 2013 Financial Plan
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by T. Bennett, "That this Memo be received."
"Carried"

8. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by T. Bennett, "That the 2009 - 2013 Financial Plan, page 4, 2009, Line 25, Capital Expenditures remain at \$80,000.00 and that staff be instructed to have a complete assessment of the needs of the building done."
"Carried"

9. G. Wong voted in the negative.

10. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by G. Wong, "That the 2009 - 2013 Financial Plan, page 20, 2009, Line 11, Office Costs be amended to \$4,500.00."
"Carried"

11. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by E. Russcher, "That the 2009 - 2013 Financial Plan, page 20.1, 2009, Line 3, Contract for Services be amended to \$22,000.00."
"Carried"

12. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by S. Ochman, "That the 2009 - 2013 Financial Plan, page 20.1, 2009, Line 12, Professional Fees be amended to \$4,000.00."
"Carried"



13. T. Gowan circulated copies of an email received from BC Transit just this afternoon advising of a significant increase in the contract price of the Alberni-Clayoquot Custom Transit 09/10 Annual Operating Agreement. Mr. Gowan advised that the actual increase is \$15,541.00. A discussion ensued. Directors were very concerned at the timing of this information as we are nearing the end of the budget process.
14. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by G. Wong, "That a letter be sent to BC Transit advising them that due to economic times the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District is unable to pay the increase in cost for Custom Transit."

"Carried"
15. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by S. Ochman, "That a letter be sent the Minister of Transportation advising him of the significant increase in the cost of the Custom Transit Service."

"Carried"
16. Administrative Memo
Re: Grant Announcements
Moved by S. Ochman, seconded by J. Fraser, "That the letter from the Ministry of Community Development regarding grant information for the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District be received."

"Carried"
17. Moved by S. Ochman, seconded by T. Bennett, "That the 2009 - 2013 Financial Plan, page 33, 2009, Bamfield Water System, line 15 be increased to \$1,610,000.00 and 2009, line 17 be increased to \$2,355,00.00."

"Carried"
18. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by E. Russcher, "That Bamfield pay their share of the tax requisition for the Alberni Valley Landfill for a maximum of \$20,000.00 for 2009."

"Carried"
19. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by P. Cote, "That staff investigate the garbage issue in Bamfield."

"Carried"



20. At 7:35 p.m. Director Bennett left the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

21. R. Sabine reported that both he and Chair Hira Chopra met recently with Dr. James Lunney, MP, Nanaimo/Alberni. Dr. Lunney is wanting to know if the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District might be interested in taking a more active role in the management of Great Central Lake. Dr. Lunney suggested that if the Regional District is interested they should write a letter to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans. Dr. Lunney would lobby for us to receive funding for administration. H. Chopra reported that he made it very clear that the Regional District was not interested if it would cost us any money. A discussion ensued.
22. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That the Regional District should meet with the Hupacasath First Nation regarding the role in the management of Great Central Lake and then write a letter to the appropriate Ministry with a copy to Dr. James Lunney, MP."

"Carried"

RECESS TO IN-CAMERA:

23. Moved by S. Ochman, seconded by J. Fraser "That the meeting be closed to the public to discuss information that is prohibited from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act and to discuss litigation or potential litigation affecting the Regional District."

"Carried"

24. The meeting was closed to the public at 8:05 p.m.

25. The meeting was re-opened to the public at 8:40 p.m.

26. Moved by E. Russcher, seconded by K. McRae, "That this meeting now stand adjourned."

"Carried"



27. The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Hira Chopra, Chairperson

Robert Sabine, CAO