



## Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

### **Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, February 11, 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.

Staff: Robert Sabine, Chief Administrative Officer, Wendy Thomson, Deputy Corporate Secretary, Tom Gowan, Manager of Finance.

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

#### **Delegations**

2. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That Kendall Kelly and Dave Taron, West Coast Multi-plex Society be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."

"Carried"

3. Mr. Kelly said he was here this afternoon representing Tofino, Ucluelet and the five First Nations regarding the proposed multi-plex for the West Coast. He provided an update on the activities of the Society. Mr. Kelly said with the assistance of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District they have completed the feasibility study. Locally, the Society continues to promote the need for a multi-plex facility on the West Coast. Mr. Kelly said such a facility is long overdue. The Society has been working with D. Nairne and Associates to bring the First Nations in the area together on this project to figure out how to make this project come to fruition. Mr. Kelly said he has spoken to the MP, Dr. James Lunney, regarding infrastructure funding for the project. He said there are two stumbling blocks: access to lands at the Tofino/Ucluelet Airport and the application needs to be 'shovel ready'. Mr. Kelly said it will take 4 months to get the design ready. Mr. Kelly said the Society is hoping to work with the Regional District to access land at the Airport. He asked the Regional District to work with the Society in an expedient fashion to "nail down" land for the proposed facility. The delegation answered questions from Directors. Mr. Kelly said they are proposing to combine the multi-plex with the Long Beach Golf Course.
4. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by E. Russcher, "That staff be instructed to work with the West Coast Multi-plex Society and the Long Beach Golf Course to identify and confirm a site location for the proposed multi-plex at the Tofino/Ucluelet Airport."

"Carried"



5. The Chairperson thanked the delegation for their presentation.
6. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by T. Bennett, "That Ms. Alexandra Paztich be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."  
  
"Carried"
7. Ms. Paztich said there were two reasons she was here today. The first was to thank the Regional District for their prompt decision to allow Handi-Dart service on Sundays. The second was to discuss her complaint to the Human Rights Tribunal. She handed out copies of the preliminary decision to dismiss the Human Rights Tribunal application. Ms. Paztich outlined the substance of her complaint and spoke to the Human Rights Tribunal findings. Ms. Paztich answered questions from Directors.
8. The Chairperson thanked Ms. Paztich for her presentation.
9. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That Mr. Ken Whitemann be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."  
  
"Carried"
10. Mr. Whitemann said he was here this afternoon to seek support from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District for his nomination to the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Executive. Mr. Whitemann said he has attended one meeting already and plans to submit his nomination papers in the next couple of days. Mr. Whitemann expressed the importance of the Regional District and City of Port Alberni having a voice on the AVICC. Mr. Whitemann said he is planning to do some marking and asked for input from Directors. Director McRae said Mr. Whitemann would do an excellent job on behalf of the Region.
11. The Chairperson said the Regional District is pleased to support Mr. Whitemann's nomination to run and wished him good luck.

### **Minutes**

12. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the minutes from the regular Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held on January 14, 2009 be adopted as circulated."  
  
"Carried"



13. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by T. Bennett, "That the To-Do List dated February 4, 2009 be received."

"Carried"

14. Moved by S. Ochman, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the following items be added to the To-Do List:

- a. Bamfield Water System
- b. Bamfield Waste Transfer Station

"Carried"

**Communications/Correspondence - For Action**

15. Correspondence dated February 3, 2009 from the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities regarding Forestry Forum - April 3, 2009, Nanaimo, BC.

Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by E. Russcher, "That this correspondence be received and contents noted."

"Carried"

16. Correspondence dated January 22, 2009 from the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities regarding 2009 Resolution Deadline Extended.

Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, "That this correspondence be received and the deadline noted."

"Carried"

**Communications/Correspondence - For Information**

17. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by E. Russcher, "That the following correspondence be received for information: Ministry of Fisheries and Oceans re: Reduction of Canadian Total Allowable Catch of Pacific Halibut, Union of British Columbia Municipalities re: Federal Budget 2009, re: UBCM Responds to Federal Budget 2009, re: Prime Minister and Premiers Agree to Accelerate Infrastructure Funding, BC Hydro re: Vancouver Island Regional Update, Music by the Sea re: 2008 - 2009 Season and Royal Canadian Legion re: Remembrance Project."

"Carried"



18. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by E. Russcher, "That the Regional District take out a 1/4 page full colour support advertisement in the Military Service Recognition Remembrance Project book."

"Carried"

### **Reports**

19. Moved by G. Wong, seconded by K. McRae, "That the report from the Island Coastal Economic Trust regarding Election of New Members to the Board of Directors be received."

"Carried"

20. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by E. Russcher, "That the Spirit of BC Update dated January 30, 2009 be received."

"Carried"

21. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by P. Cote, "That the minutes from the Emergency Planning Committee meeting held on January 29, 2009 be received for information."

"Carried"

### **Other Reports**

22. Director Bennett provided an update on the West Coast Directors Financial Plan meeting held earlier today.

Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by P. Cote, "That this verbal report be received."

"Carried"

23. Director McRae reported on a phone call he received yesterday from Port Fish regarding Hake Fishing. He said that Port Fish is looking at another ship. He said a big issue coming up for this area is the hake allocation. Director Russcher requested that the District of Ucluelet have input on this issue which affects their area.

Moved by K. McRae, seconded by T. Bennett, "That this verbal report be received."

"Carried"



### **Administration**

24. Administrative Memo regarding Options for Dealing with Funding Applications.

Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the CAO be authorized to hire a consultant to start working on funding applications for the Tofino/Ucluelet Airport."

"Carried"

25. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That the CAO be authorized to hire a consultant for a two week period to review the existing funding document files and make a recommendation to the Board on a project by project basis."

"Carried"

### **Finances**

26. Administrative Memo regarding 2009 - 2013 Financial Plan Review.

Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by K. McRae, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

27. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 478.

Moved by G. Wong, seconded by K. McRae, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant No. 478 in the amount of \$417,448.41 dated January 31, 2009."

"Carried"

28. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 415.

Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by E. Russcher, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 415 in the amount of \$107,659.81 dated January 31, 2009."

"Carried"



29. Administrative Memo regarding Payment Questions from Finance Warrant No. 476.

Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by K. McRae, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

30. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, "That this Meeting now stand adjourned."

"Carried"

31. The Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Certified Correct:

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Hira Chopra,  
Chairperson

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Robert Sabine,  
Chief Administrative Officer