



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
Committee-of-the-Whole
Minutes

Wednesday, April 8, 2009

Regional District Board Room

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

Staff: Robert Sabine, Chief Administrative Officer, Wendy Thomson, Deputy Corporate Secretary, Mike Irg, Manager of Planning and Development, Tom Gowan, Finance Manager.

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

Adoption of Minutes

2. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by J. Fraser, "That the minutes from the regular Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held on March 11, 2009 be adopted as circulated."

"Carried"

3. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by S. Ochman, "That the To-Do List as of April 1, 2009 be received for information."

"Carried"

4. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by P. Cote, "That Mr. Bruce Kenny, Omega Fish Hatchery be invited to make a presentation to the Regional District regarding their work with Chinook at Three Rivers and invite Dr. Lunney, MP or his Assistant, Mr. Curtis Hansen to attend the meeting."

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence for Action

5. Correspondence dated March 25, 2009 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding Electoral Area Directors Meeting.
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Cote, "That one Electoral Area Director from the West Coast and one Electoral Area Director from the Alberni Valley be authorized to attend the Electoral Area Directors Meeting on June 26, 2009 in Richmond, BC."

"Carried"



6. Letter dated March 26, 2009 from the BC Bottle Depot Association requesting a Letter of Support.

Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by K. McRae, "That this correspondence be received and the Regional District forward a letter to Minister Penner, Ministry of Environment, supporting the BC Bottle Depot Association initiative for used beverage containers."

"Carried"

7. Letter dated March 30, 2009 from the Regional District of Nanaimo regarding the Regional Growth Strategy Review.

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

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence for Information

8. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That the following correspondence be received for information: Union of British Columbia Municipalities re: 2009 Community Excellence Awards, re: Access Awareness Day - June 6, 2009, re: Highlights of the UBCM Executive Meeting - March 12/13, 2009, re: Proposed Indigenous Recognition Act, SPARC BC re: Access Awareness Day - June 6, 2009, World Under 17 Hockey Challenge re: 2009 World Under 17 Hockey Challenge Legacy Announced and Federation of British Columbia Woodlot Associations re: March/April 2009 Woodlot Communicator."

"Carried"

Reports

9. Director Bennett reported on a telephone conference call meeting he participated in this morning with the Aquatic Management Board regarding the Pacific Salmon Treaty. Director Bennett advised that the Department of Fisheries and Oceans have developed a CORE Advisory Board to deal with the Pacific Salmon Treaty. Director Bennett expressed concern that there is no local government or Aquatic Management Board representation on the CORE Board. Director Bennett advised that the Aquatic Management Board is holding a management meeting on April 17th at 10:30 am in Port Alberni and the meeting is open to the public. The purpose of the meeting is for the Aquatic Management Board to come up with a position on the Pacific Salmon Treaty.



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

"Carried"

10. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by C. Solda, "That the members of the Fisheries Resource Committee be authorized to attend the Aquatic Management Board meeting on April 17, 2009 in Port Alberni."

"Carried"

11. Director McRae reported on the Coastal Communities Network Annual General Meeting on April 2nd in Nanaimo. He thanked Directors for attending; they had an excellent turn out for the AGM. Director McRae said it was a good meeting and the Network is hoping to get involved in other issues affecting coastal communities besides fishing. The Coastal Communities Network is hoping to get more First Nations involvement. Director McRae advised that he is the President of the Coastal Community Network for the next year.

Moved by K. McRae, seconded by C. Solda, "That this verbal report be received."

"Carried"

12. Director Cote reported on the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board meeting held a couple of weeks ago. They conducted a legislative review and discussed partnerships between libraries and school district's. There was also discussion regarding the withdraw provision and restructuring of the library system. Director Cote reported on a new program called *Teens Plugged In On-Line*. She said this is a good learning tool for people of all ages.

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

"Carried"

13. Director Cote provided an update on the Alberni Valley Museum and Heritage Commission. They held a workshop recently that looked at re-organizing the Commission. She reported that Bamfield now has a Heritage Commission.
Moved by P. Cote, seconded by S. Ochman, "That this verbal report be received."

"Carried"



Administration

14. Administrative Memo regarding Letter of Support - Hupacasath First Nation Funding Request to the West Coast Community Adjustment Program.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by P. Edwards, "That the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District support the Hupacasath First Nation application to the West Coast Community Adjustment Program to replace the saddle dam at Boot Lagoon."

"Carried"

15. Administrative Memo regarding Application for Funding - Sproat Lake Trails.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by K. McRae, "That the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District apply for funding through the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Public Transit Agreement Fund in the amount of \$66,195.00 for the Sproat Lake Trails project."

"Carried"

Finances

16. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 480.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by K. McRae, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant No. 480 in the amount of \$474,872.33 dated March 31, 2009."

"Carried"

17. Directors reviewed Finance Warrant No. 480 page by page and staff answered questions.

New Business

18. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the following be allowed for consideration as a late item: forwarding a letter to the Hupacasath First Nation congratulating the newly elected Council and a letter of thanks to Judith Sayers."

"Carried"

19. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the Regional District forward a



letter of congratulations to the newly elected Hupacasath First Nation and forward a letter to Chief Judith Sayers thanking her for her work on behalf of her community and the region as a whole and wishing her all the best for the future.”

“Carried”

20. Moved by E. Russcher, seconded by C. Solda, “That this meeting be closed to the public to discuss matters relating to labour or other employee relations, litigation or potential litigation affecting the Regional District and security of Regional District property.”

“Carried”

21. The meeting was closed to the public at 2:27 p.m.
22. The meeting was re-opened to the public at 3:22 p.m.
23. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, “That this meeting now stand adjourned.”

“Carried”

24. The meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Glenn Wong,
Vice-Chairperson

Robert Sabine,
Chief Administrative Officer