



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

Wednesday, June 10, 2009

Ucluelet Court Room

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

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 P. Edwards, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the minutes from the Regular Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting held on May 13, 2009 be adopted as circulated."

"Carried"

3. Moved by G. Wong, seconded by J. Fraser, "That the To-Do List as of June 2, 2009 be received for information."

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence for Action

4. Letter dated June 2, 2009 from the Hupacasath First Nation regarding a request for waived tipping fees - Josephine Street Garbage (old smokehouse plant).
Moved by G. Wong, seconded by K. McRae, "That staff be requested to arrange a meeting with representatives of the Hupacasth First Nation to discuss their request for waive tipping fees at the Alberni Valley Landfill for the clean-up of the old smokehouse plant on Josephine Street and investigate a Memorandum of Understanding."

"Carried"

5. Letter dated June 1, 2009 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding the Regional District Task Force Review.
Moved by K. McRae, seconded by E. Russcher, "That the Chairperson, Chief Administrative Officer and Director Wong be authorized to attend the Regional District Task Force Review on July 28, 2009 in Richmond, BC."

"Carried"



Communications/Correspondence For Information

6. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the following correspondence be received for information: Canadian Groundfish Research & Conservation Society re: Commercial Groundfish Fishery Video; Union of British Columbia Municipalities re: Highlights of the UBCM Executive Meeting held May 14 - 15, 2009; Vancouver Island Health Authority re: Revised Subdivision Policy; Gas Tax/Public Transit Management Services re: Gas Tax Agreement Community Works Fund Payment and BC Bottle Depot Association re: Reply to Encorp's Response Letter - BCBDA Open Letter to Minister of Environment and Municipal Councils."

"Carried"

Reports

7. Director McRae reported on his attendance at a Vancouver Island Railway Corridor meeting yesterday. He said the Provincial Government is putting \$600,000.00 towards the future of rail on Vancouver Island. A consultant has been hired to look at the future of rail on the Island. Studies on the condition of all the rail lines on the Island are being conducted.
8. Director McRae reported on the Community Forest Association Conference that was held in Port Alberni, May 28th to 31st. He said the Conference was one of the most successful forums ever held in British Columbia. The Forest Minister was in Port Alberni for the event. Director McRae thanked the Regional District for their contribution towards the event.
9. Director McRae reported on his attendance at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Convention, June 5th to 8th in Whistler. He thanked the Regional District for cost sharing with the City of Port Alberni to send him to the Conference. One of the main topics of discussion was that only 8% of taxes collected come down to the local government level.
10. Moved by K. McRae, seconded by T. Bennett, "That the verbal reports from Director McRae be received."

"Carried"

11. Director Bennett reported on activities on the West Coast. A local citizen has gone in partnership with the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation to build a zip line along Kennedy River. Director Bennett said the zip line is going to become a really popular spot and major draw for tourists.



Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by G. Wong, "That this verbal report be received."

"Carried"

12. Director Cote entered the meeting at 1:50 p.m.
13. The Manager of Planning and Development reported that Mrs. Carla Connelly has been hired as the new Junior Planner/Bylaw Enforcement Officer for the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District.
14. Director Wong reported on his attendance at the VI North Island Film Commission meeting in Campbell River recently. They have a new Board and 10 new Directors. There was discussion regarding amalgamating south island, including Victoria. Director Wong said he will have a full report at the next meeting.
Moved by G. Wong, seconded by E. Russcher, "That this verbal report be received."

"Carried"

15. Administrative Memo regarding Time Change - Regular Board of Directors Meetings.
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by E. Russcher, "That this report be received."

"Carried"

16. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That staff be instructed to bring a Bylaw for consideration by the Board of Directors, changing the time of the Regular Board of Directors meetings to 1:30 p.m."

"Carried"

17. Administrative Memo from Pat Deakin, Economic Development Officer, City of Port Alberni regarding a Grant Application to the Community Adjustment Fund.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by K. McRae, "That this correspondence be received and the Regional District provide a letter of support for the grant application to the Community Adjustment Fund to extend the runway at the Alberni Valley Airport."

"Carried"

Finances

18. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 482.



Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Edwards, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant No. 482 in the amount of \$555,842.82 dated May 31, 2009."

"Carried"

19. Directors reviewed Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 482 page by page and staff answered questions.
20. Moved by G. Wong, seconded by K. McRae, "That staff be instructed to investigate security options for the Regional District Office parking lot and adjacent areas."

"Carried"

21. Administrative Memo regarding Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 418. Moved by G. Wong, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve the Regional Hospital District Finance Warrant No. 418 in the amount of \$80,526.81 dated May 31, 2009."

"Carried"

22. Moved by E. Russcher, seconded by J. Fraser, "That the meeting be closed to the public to discuss matters relating to labour or other employee relations."

"Carried"

23. The meeting was closed to the public at 2:25 p.m.
24. The meeting was re-opened to the public at 4:30 p.m.
25. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by J. Fraser, "That this meeting now stand adjourned."
26. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Hira Chopra,
Chairperson

Robert Sabine,
Chief Administrative Officer