



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

Tofino District Office, Tofino, BC

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

Staff: Mike Irg, Manager of Planning and Development, Don Anderson, Manager of Environmental Service, Tracy Bond, Secretary

Other: Pat Deakin, Economic Development Officer, City of Port Alberni

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:32 pm

Adoption of Minutes

2. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by G. Wong, "That the Minutes from the regular Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held on June 9, 2010, be adopted as circulated."

"Carried"

3. Moved by G. Wong, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the To-Do List as of July 7, 2010 be received for information."

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence for Action

4. Community Energy Association regarding 2010 Awards Invitation
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Edwards, "That this correspondence be received and that staff investigate."

"Carried"

5. Federation of Canadian Municipalities regarding Do you Want to Host CUFC10
Moved by E. Russcher, seconded by P. Cote, "That this correspondence be received."

"Carried"

6. Director Ochman entered the meeting at 1:50 p.m.



7. Alberni Athletic Association regarding a Request for Waiving of AV Landfill Tipping Fees.
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Cote, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole deny the request for waiving of AV Landfill tipping fees by the Alberni Athletic Association."

"Carried"

8. Geo-Cachers regarding a Request for Waiving of AV Landfill Tipping Fees.
Moved by G. Wong, seconded by M. Kokura, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole waive the AV Landfill tipping fees for the Geo-Cachers "Cache In-Trash Out" event scheduled for August 7, 2010."

"Carried"

Communications/Correspondence for Information

9. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by P. Edwards, "That the following correspondence be received for information: Union of British Columbia Municipalities, re: RCMP Contract Renewal Update, re: UBCM Response to CSIS Allegations, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, re: October Fisheries Meeting, City of Port Alberni, re: News Release on Catalyst Paper Paying Their Taxes, City of Vancouver, re: BC Bicycling Development Program."

"Carried"

10. Director McRae entered the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Reports

11. Director McRae spoke briefly regarding the meeting between Island Coastal Economic Trust and the West Coast Directors held on June 23, 2010 and urged Directors to contact ICET soon.

Moved by P. Edwards, seconded by M. Kokura, "That this verbal report be received."

"Carried"

12. Alberni Valley Water Study.
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Edwards, "That the Alberni Valley Water Study Memorandum be received."

"Carried"

13. Water Management Board for the Somass Basin Water Management.



Mike Irg and Pat Deakin spoke on the issues involved regarding the Great Central Lake Damns. The Hupacasath have hit a stumbling block in their acquisition of the damns. TimberWest owns the land underneath the damns and is asking for \$400,000.00. The Hupacasath do not have this money in their budget. These damns are key economic drivers for the fisheries. Fisheries and Oceans want the damns repaired but have not been forth coming with financing. Catalyst Paper has an August 2010 deadline and can then begin de-commissioning these damns. What is needed now is a Water Management Board made up of local politicians and First Nations representatives who will be able to lobby for funding.

Moved by P. Cote, seconded by G. Wong, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole receive the written and verbal staff report and recommend to the Board of Directors they support the development of a Water Management Board made up of Local Government and First Nations representatives to oversee the Somass Basin Water Management planning process and assist with obtaining the required funding."

"Defeated"

Moved by K. McRae, seconded by G. Wong, "That discussion regarding a Water Management Board for the Somass Basin Water Management be referred to a Special Alberni Valley Committee meeting and that Mr. Pat Deakin, Mr. Robert Gunn, and representatives from TimberWest and Catalyst be invited to attend."

"Carried"

Administration

14. Administrative Memo regarding the China Creek Lease Agreement.
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by K. McRae, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole recommends to the Regional District Board of Directors that the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District enter into a 20 year lease agreement with the Port Alberni Port Authority for the operation of the China Creek Regional Park Campground legally described as:
PID 000-503-801
Lot 1, District Lot 153, Alberni District, Plan 18547, Except Parts in Plans 28684 and 41248,

PID 000-529-320
Lot A, District Lot 153, Alberni District, Plan 41248
And the rent payable to the Regional District shall be 2.4% of camping revenue from the campground operations per year."

"Carried"



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15. Administrative Memo regarding UBCM Treaty Advisory Committee Meeting.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, “That this Administrative Memo be received.”

“Carried”
 16. Administrative Memo regarding Affordability and Choice Today Funding
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, “That this Administrative Memo be received.”

“Carried”
 17. Administrative Memo regarding Regional Growth Strategy Amendment Application
Regional District of Nanaimo.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by G. Wong, “That the Committee-of-the-Whole direct staff to reply to the Regional District of Nanaimo’s Regional Growth Strategy amendment referral that our interests are unaffected by this proposal.”

“Carried”
 18. Administrative Memo regarding Rock Blasting at the Alberni Valley Landfill.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by P. Edwards, “That the Committee-of-the-Whole direct staff to postpone rock blasting and crushing at the Alberni Valley Landfill for 3 years.”

“Carried”
 19. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni Valley Landfill Access Road Paving.
Moved by Mike Kokura, seconded by P. Edwards, “That The Committee-of-the-Whole recommend that the Board of Directors award the contract to pave approximately 150 meters of the Access Road to the Alberni Valley Landfill to Berry and Vale Contracting for the tendered contract price of \$86,181.72 including HST.”

“Carried”
 20. Administrative Memo regarding The City of Port Alberni ALR Application to Exclude 5355 Cherry Creek Road.
Moved by K. McRae, seconded by G. Wong, “That this Administrative Memo be received and that this application be referred to the Cherry Creek APC and Agriculture Advisory Committee for further input.”

“Carried”



21. Administrative Memo regarding the proposed contract with the SPCA.
Moved by G. Wong, seconded by P. Cote, “That this Administrative Memo be received and that the Committee-of-the-Whole instruct staff to prepare a draft contract for kennel services with the SPCA.”

“Carried”

22. Administrative Memo regarding Supporting Treaty Implementation Pilot Project – Funding Extension.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by K. McRae, “That this Administrative Memo be received.”

“Carried”

23. Administrative Memo regarding the Long Beach maintenance building.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, “That this Administrative Memo be received and that the Committee-of-the-Whole recommend that the Board of Directors award the contract to build a 2000 sq. ft. steel frame maintenance building at the Long Beach Airport to B. Goorts Contracting Ltd. for the tendered contract price of \$278,662.72 including HST.”

“Carried”

24. Administrative Memo regarding ICET Stage 1 Applications.
Moved by J. Fraser, seconded by E. Russcher that this Administrative Memo be received and that the Committee-of-the-Whole recommends that the Board of Directors direct staff to withdraw stage 1 ICET funding application for the runway 11-29 surface rehabilitation and the stage 1 ICET application for the terminal building and to amend and re-submit the stage 1 ICET funding application for navigational aid lighting.”

“Carried”

Finances

25. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No. 494.
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Edwards, “That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant Number 494 in the amount of \$856,160.01 dated June 30, 2010.”

“Carried”



26. Staff to clarify the following from Finance Warrant No. 494 at the next meeting - Vadim Software Hosting June and July 2010 and Mat Koning.

Unfinished Business

27. Director Cote advised Directors that the Minutes from the last Library Board meeting are now on the Vancouver Island Library Board's website.
28. Director McRae reported on the newly released report from Ministry of Environment entitled '*Economic Impacts from a Reduced Trawl Fishery in British Columbia.*' The Trawl industry in Port Alberni and West Coast has a direct economic impact of 30.8 million in revenues, 14.9 million in wages with 407 person years of employment. We are second only to Vancouver.
29. Moved by P. Cote, seconded by E. Russcher, "That the report by Jerry Berry, Consultant, be referred to the July 28, 2010 In-Camera Board of Directors meeting."

"Carried"

New Business

30. Director McRae and Director Ochman briefly spoke regarding Music by the Sea. Director McRae attended the opening reception and felt it was a good show and it went really well with a good turnout.
31. Moved by G. Wong, seconded by P. Cote, "That the Committee-of-the-Whole consider a discussion regarding Regional Directors Per Diem Rates and Benefits."
32. Moved by G. Wong, seconded by P. Cote, "That staff be instructed to investigate the cost of the Regional District paying for the Board of Directors Blue Cross Benefits."

"Carried"

Adjourn

33. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by S. Ochman, "That this meeting now stand adjourned."
34. The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.



Certified Correct:

Hira Chopra, Chairperson

Wendy Thomson, Acting CAO