



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, November 10, 2010

Regional District Board Room

Present: Chairperson: Hira Chopra, Directors: Mike Kokura, John Fraser, Patty Edwards, Penny Cote, Glenn Wong, Eric Russcher, Stefan Ochman, Tony Bennett, Alternate Director: Cindy Solda

Staff: Wendy Thomson, Acting CAO, Mike Irg, Manager of Planning and Development, Don Anderson, Manager of Environmental Services, Andrew McGifford, Accounting Clerk, Tracy Bond, Secretary

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:36 pm.

Petitions, Delegations & Presentations

2. Chairperson Hira Chopra presented Tracy Bond with a 20 years of service watch and thanked Ms. Bond for her service to the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District.
3. Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by E. Russcher, "That Mr. Ken Whitemann, Ms. Pauline Hannaford, and Mr. Von Paulson be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."

"Carried"

4. Mr. Whitemann told the Committee-of-the-Whole that members of the Tall Ships Committee were here today to present the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District with a gift of thanks for supporting the Tall Ships. Mr. Whiteman then introduced Ms. Hannaford and Mr. Paulson. Mr. Paulson and Ms. Hannaford thanked the Regional District for their assistance with the Tall Ships and presented Chairperson Chopra with a picture of the Tall Ships the Bounty and Lady Washington as a token of appreciation from the Tall Ships Committee.

5. Chairperson Chopra thanked the delegation for their presentation.

6. Moved by P. Cote, seconded by T. Bennett, "That the delegation from the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board be invited to address the Committee-of-the-Whole."

"Carried"

7. Mr. Bill Holdom, Chair, Vancouver Island Regional Library Board spoke briefly to the Committee-of-the-Whole and then introduced Ms. Rosemary Bonanno, Executive Director of VIRL. Ms. Bonanno told Directors that the VIRL has a 70



year history in the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District. Members of the VIRL were in our area last year speaking to citizens and were clearly told that the Library was a needed service. One person in two in the ACRD have library cards which breaks down to 74% on the West Coast and 34% in Port Alberni. Both Port Alberni and Ucluelet have new libraries that have been well received. Mr. Mass, Director of Finance spoke to Directors in regards to the VIRL budget history, the situation they are now in and what needs to happen. The VIRL has kept past budgets low and now find that the differed maintenance on library buildings has caused sub-standard buildings. The Provincial Government has been downloading and the VIRL lost \$450,000.00 from budget cuts in 2010 from the Provincial Government. Mr. Mass told Directors that the actual cost of the budget increase will be \$.88 per person in the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District. The delegation answered questions from Directors.

8. The Chairperson thanked the delegation for their presentation.

Adoption of Minutes

9. Moved by E. Russcher, seconded by C. Solda “That the Minutes from the regular Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held on October 13, 2010, be adopted as circulated.”

“Carried”

10. Moved by P. Edwards, seconded by J. Fraser, “That the To-Do List as of November 3, 2010 be received for information.”

“Carried”

Communications/Correspondence for Action

11. Correspondence dated October 26, 2010 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, re: Opportunity to Comment on Proposed Changes to the Ultimate Limitation Period.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by E. Russcher, “That this correspondence be received.”

“Carried”

12. Correspondence dated October 21, 2010 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, re: RCMP Police Costs and Accountability.
Moved by C. Solda, seconded by T. Bennett, “That this correspondence be received and that the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District send a letter to our local Member of Parliament and key federal and provincial cabinet ministers



noted in the correspondence outlining the need to address financial accountability, partnership and local accountability in the delivery of police services.”

“Carried”

Communications/Correspondence for Information

13. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, “That the following correspondence be received for information: Federation of Canadian Municipalities, re: FCM News, Week of October 25, 2010, Emcon Services Inc., re: Minutes of Winter Preparation Meeting and Emergency Call Out List, Island Corridor Foundation, re: Backgrounder, re: News Release, re: ICF Statement by Graham Bruce, Executive Director, Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council, re: Appointment of Alternate Representative on the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board, Geoscience BC, re: Geoscience, The Roadmap to Economic Strength Data for Discovery.”

“Carried”

Reports

14. Inspector G. Wellar reported he attended the recent Memorial Service for the two ambulance workers who died in the line of duty. Inspector Wellar answered questions from Directors.
15. Director Bennett reported for the West Coast Aquatic Management Board and discussed a letter from DFO to the West Coast Aquatic Management Board stating they may withdraw from the Management Board. Director Bennett advised that this may no longer be the case. The West Coast Management Board will be meeting to draft a Code of Conduct for it’s members.
16. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by P. Cote, “That this verbal report be received.”

“Carried”

Administration

17. Administrative Memo regarding Building bylaw Updates – Bylaw No. PS1005-4 Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by T. Bennett, “That this correspondence be received and that the Committee-of-the-Whole recommend to the Board of



Directors that the updated consolidated version of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Building Bylaw PS1005-4 be accepted.”

“Carried”

18. Administrative Memo regarding Maa-nulth First Nation Appointment to the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board.
Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by M. Kokura, “That this correspondence be referred back to staff to seek clarification from the Treaty Negotiators regarding the cost to the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District in regards to First Nations representatives sitting as observers at Regional District Meetings.”

“Carried”

Finances

19. Administrative Memo regarding Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Finance Warrant No.498.
Moved by M. Kokura, seconded by P. Cote, “That the Committee-of-the-Whole approve Finance Warrant Number 498 in the amount of \$1,230,541.90 dated October 31, 2010.”

“Carried”

Unfinished Business

20. Director Wong spoke regarding the water reserve on Great Central Lake. He is waiting to hear what the final outcome on the Alberni Valley Water Study is but would then like to investigate the cost on securing the water reserve on Great Central Lake.

New Business

21. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, “That the following be allowed for consideration as a late item: discussion regarding BC Ferries and the City of Nanaimo and taxi service at BC Ferries terminal.”

“Carried”

22. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by S. Ochman, “That Regional District staff contact the City of Nanaimo to see how the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District can be of assistance with the Taxi problem with BC Ferries.”

“Carried”



Adjourn

23. Moved by T. Bennett, seconded by E. Russcher, “That this meeting now stand adjourned.”

“Carried”

24. The meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm.

Certified Correct:

Hira Chopra, Chairperson

Wendy Thomson, Acting CAO