



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District

**Regular Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, March 14, 2012**

**Time: Immediately following
Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting**

**Place: Regional District Board Room,
3008 5th Avenue,
Port Alberni, BC**

Extra Agenda

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
2. **PETITION, DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS:**
3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**
 - a. Meeting of February 8, 2012 1-3
4. **COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE
FOR ACTION:**
5. **COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE
FOR INFORMATION:**
 - a. Vancouver Island Health Authority
Re: VIHA Celebrates Pharmacy Awareness Week 4-5
Re: **CT Scan Increased Hours at West Coast
General Hospital..... EX 1-2**
6. **ADMINISTRATION:**
7. **REPORTS:**
 - a. Bamfield Outpost Hospital – E. Geall
 - b. Alberni-Clayoquot Continuing Care Society – J. McNabb

- c. Vancouver Island Health Authority Capital Planning Committee – J. Douglas/C. Solda
- d. West Coast Native Health Care Society – P. Cote
- e. Tofino General Hospital –P. Schmunk/B. Irving
- f. Vancouver Island Health Authority
 - Meeting in Victoria, February 29, 2012 – C. Solda (Verbal)

8. FINANCES:

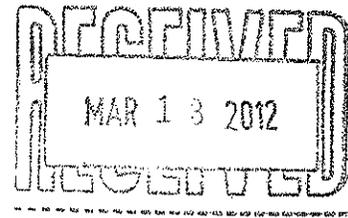
- a. Administrative Memo
Re: Finance Warrant No 449.6-7
- b. Request for Decision
Re: 2012 Annual Budget..... 8
Re: Bylaw No. 112, Alberni-Clayoquot Regional Hospital District
2012 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 112, 2nd Reading 9-11
- c. Administrative Memo
Re: Special Regional Hospital District Meeting
March 28, 2012..... 12

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

10. NEW BUSINESS:

11. QUESTION PERIOD:

12. ADJOURNMENT:



March 6, 2012

Ref #12904

Mayor John Douglas
City of Port Alberni
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Dear Mayor Douglas:

Thank you for your letter of December 14, 2011 encouraging the Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA) to increase the operating hours of CT scan service at West Coast General Hospital (WCGH) and advising of the circumstances related to the passing of a Port Alberni resident. We were saddened to hear of this case and apologize for the delay in response.

Although VIHA standards for CT wait times are met consistently on all our sites, we are pleased to inform you that we are expanding CT coverage at WCGH by cross-training our x-ray technologists to provide some basic CT scans after regular hours of Medical Imaging service. This will improve coverage of CT at WCGH in the evenings and after midnight. It is important to recognize, however, that more complex CT scans will still require transportation to Nanaimo when our CT trained technologist is not available.

The Vancouver Island Health Authority recognizes that CT scanning is an important service for your community. We will continue to measure and monitor CT service in all VIHA communities on a regular basis to ensure appropriate service is provided and that wait time standards continue to be met.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Catherine Mackay
Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer

cc: Glenn Wong, Chair, ACRD
Cindy Solda, Vice-Chair, ACRD
Howard Waldner, President & CEO, VIHA
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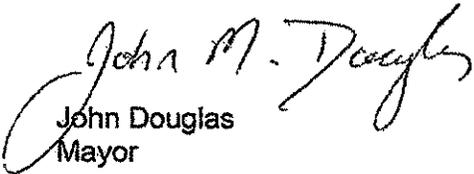
Dear Ms. Mackay:

Further to previous correspondence (copies attached) regarding the need for full time operation of the CT Scan Unit at West Coast General Hospital (WCGH), we would like to address this issue with you once again.

At a regular meeting of Council on December 12th, 2011, Council for the City of Port Alberni received a delegation from local resident Melissa Netzer. Melissa outlined the very unfortunate circumstance regarding her mother (Linda McLaren) who was rushed to WCGH with severe chest pains six months ago. After being cleared for cardiac concern but obviously requiring a CT scan to diagnose what was then thought by Doctors to be a rupturing aortic/abdominal thoracic aneurysm, Mrs. McLaren was sent by ambulance to NRGH as the CT unit at WCGH was not in operation. This was several hours after her admission to WCGH and sadly she died in the ambulance en route to Nanaimo.

This situation clearly outlines the need for full-time CT Scan Unit operation at WCGH, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. You indicated in your letter of May 26th that VIHA will "continue to monitor CT scan wait times and to balance services where possible." We would urge VIHA to provide full service to patients in our region and ensure full-time operation of the CT Scan Unit.

Yours truly,
CITY OF PORT ALBERNI


John Douglas
Mayor

c. Glenn Wong, Chair, ACRD
Cindy Solda, Vice-Chair, ACRD
Howard Waldner, President & CEO, VIHA
Melissa Netzer via email

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