



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2013

Regional District Board Room, 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC

DIRECTORS

Cindy Solda, Chairperson, City of Port Alberni

PRESENT:

Penny Cote, Vice-Chair, Electoral Area "D" (Sproat Lake)

Eric Geall, Electoral Area "A" (Bamfield)

Mike Kokura, Electoral Area "B" (Beaufort)

Tony Bennett, Electoral Area "C" (Long Beach)

John McNabb, Electoral Area "E" (Beaver Creek)

Lucas Banton, Electoral Area "F" (Cherry Creek)

John Jack, Councillor, Huu-ay-aht First Nation

Jack McLeman, Councillor, City of Port Alberni

Josie Osborne, Mayor, District of Tofino

Bill Irving, Mayor, District of Ucluelet

Alan McCarthy, Member of Legislature, Yuułuꞵiꞵath Government

Wilfred Cootes, Observer, Uchucklesaht First Nation

STAFF PRESENT:

Russell Dyson, Chief Administrative Officer

Andy Daniel, Manager of Environmental Services

Andrew McGifford, Assistant Accountant

Mike Irg, Manager of Planning and Development

Shelli Lyle, Administrative Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: Director Kokura

SECONDED: Director Geall

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated with the addition of the following late item: VIA Rail Negotiations Update Meeting and Thank-you letter to the Province regarding Tire Dump Cleanup.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Board of Directors Meeting – July 24, 2013

MOVED: Director Bennett

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on July 24, 2013 be adopted.

CARRIED

b. West Coast Committee Meeting – July 17, 2013

MOVED: Director Irving

SECONDED: Director Bennett

THAT the minutes of the West Coast Committee meeting held on July 17, 2013 be adopted.

CARRIED

c. Alberni-Clayoquot Transportation Meeting – July 30, 2013

MOVED: Director Irving

SECONDED: Director McLeman

THAT the minutes of the Alberni-Clayoquot Transportation Committee meeting held on July 30, 2013 be adopted.

CARRIED

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

a. Mr. Ken McRae regarding update on the Island Corridor Foundation.

MOVED: Director Kokura

SECONDED: Director Irving

THAT Mr. Ken McRae be invited to address the Regional District Board.

CARRIED

Mr. Ken McRae said the only thing preventing passenger train service on the island is an agreement with VIA Rail. He explained that ICF wants to negotiate a new agreement and they've been trying to negotiate with the Montreal-based company since last September. Mr. McRae plans to discuss the issue with Federal Minister of Transportation Lisa Raitt who will be on the island this weekend as part of the Canadian Ports Conference in Nanaimo. The Island Corridor Foundation has \$16 million to spend on track repairs and maintenance. Once the east coast section of track from Victoria to Campbell River is brought back to the point where passenger rail services can be restored, then they'll start looking at bringing the Port Alberni spur back on line. Mr. McRae said a new Railway Maintenance Training Program is also key to the restoration

of rail service on the island, and he's pushing to have that program based at North Island College's Port Alberni campus.

b. Mr. Lefty Williams regarding promotion of Celebrity Basketball Game to be held on October 4, 2013 at the Athletic Hall.

MOVED: Director McLeman

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT Mr. Lefty Williams be invited to address the Regional District Board.

CARRIED

Mr. Williams reported he has been a professional basketball player for 7 years and played with the Harlem Globetrotters, he moved to Port Alberni to be a Youth Pastor at the Jericho Road Church and is the head coach of the junior boys basketball team. He explained his love for working with youth in the community, the Dare to Dream program and the celebrity basketball game he is hosting in October. Currently there are 25 sponsors and all the funds raised will stay in the community.

MOVED: Director Bennett

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the Board of Directors contribute \$2500.00 to the Dare to Dream Celebrity Basketball Game being held October 4, 2013.

c. Mr. Andy Callicum, Organizer, Walk the Talk Fundraiser regarding request for support for the anti-violence Walk the Talk Fundraiser scheduled for September 20 – 22, 2013 in Port Alberni.

MOVED: Director Bennett

SECONDED: Director Geall

THAT Mr. Andy Callicum be invited to address the Regional District Board.

CARRIED

Mr. Callicum explained he has been a resident of Port Alberni for 2 years and works for the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council as their Program Supervisor, Employment and Training Program. Mr. Callicum explained he is a volunteer within the Governance of the Canadian Red Cross and his goal is to increase capacity for SD70 to raise funds to train more peer facilitators to deliver anti-bullying workshops. He invited the Board to join him in the walk the talk to raise awareness.

6. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

7. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

- a. **MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY OF BC**
Bankrupt Detroit – No Comparison to BC
- b. **ISLAND COASTAL ECONOMIC TRUST**
Funding Support for Community Carbon Marketplace Project
Funding Support for Chemainus Town Centre Revitalization
- c. **VANCOUVER ISLAND ECONOMIC ALLIANCE**
VIEA Announces 2013-2014 Board of Directors
- d. **POWELL RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT**
MMBC Collection Financial Incentives
- e. **UNION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA MUNICIPALITIES**
UBCM Partners with FCM on Rail Safety Initiative
Gas tax Agreement Community Works Fund Payment
- f. **BC HYDRO TO DISTRICT OF UCLUELET**
Update on Long Beach Area Reinforcement Project
- g. **PORT ALBERNI PORT AUTHORITY**
2012 China Creek Marina Lease Payment
- h. **GOVERNMENT OF CANADA/PROVINCE OF BC/INVESTMENT AGRICULTURE FOUNDATION**
Growing Forward 2, a Federal-Provincial-Territorial Initiative
(brochure held in office)

MOVED: Director Kokura
SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT the Board of Directors receive a – h correspondence for information.

CARRIED

8. REQUEST FOR DECISIONS & BYLAWS

- a. **Request for Decision regarding Letter of Support – Alberni-Clayoquot Transportation Committee.**

MOVED: Director Irving
SECONDED: Director McLeman

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors provide a letter to the Alberni-Clayoquot Transportation Committee supporting in principle the development of an alternative road to connect the region to Highway 19 on the East Coast of Vancouver Island.

CARRIED

- b. **Request for Decision regarding Cherry Creek Waterworks District & Beaver Creek Community Club Agreements.**

MOVED: Director Irving
SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors approve agreements to provide Gas Tax funding to the following organizations:

- i. Cherry Creek Waterworks District;*
- ii. Beaver Creek Community Club.*

CARRIED

c. Request for Decision regarding Fire Dispatch Agreement with 911 Corporation.

MOVED: Director McNabb
SECONDED: Director Cote

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors authorize the Fire Chiefs of the Sproat Lake Volunteer Fire Department and Beaver Creek Volunteer Fire Department and Chairperson of the ACRD Board to enter into agreements with the North Island 9-1-1 Corporation to provide Computer Aided Dispatch Software System services to the Fire Departments.

CARRIED

d. Request for Decision regarding ICET Bursary Application.

MOVED: Director Bennet
SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors apply through the Island Coastal Economic Trust for a bursary for the following Directors to attend the Vancouver Island Economic Alliance State of the Island Economic Summit being held in Nanaimo, October 29th and 30th, 2013: Director Banton and Director Solda

CARRIED

Director Jack left the meeting at 2:30 pm.

e. Request for Decision regarding Year of Reconciliation Walk.

MOVED: Director Bennett
SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT the Board of Directors of the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District receive the CAO's report.

CARRIED

MOVED: Director Bennett
SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT the Board of Directors authorize Director Bennett and Director Cote to attend the Reconciliation Canada walk.

Opposed: Directors Osborne, Banton, McCarthy and Irving

CARRIED

f. Request for Decision regarding Strick Road Pump Station.

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director McLeman

THAT the Board of Directors of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) award the Strick Road Pump Station tender to Bowerman Excavating Ltd. for the tender price of \$680,257.76 including GST.

CARRIED

g. Request for Decision regarding Finance Warrant No. 531.

MOVED: Director Kokura

SECONDED: Director McLeman

THAT the Board of Directors approves Finance Warrant Number 531 in the amount of \$589,830.88 dated July 31, 2013.

CARRIED

9. PLANNING MATTERS

a. RE13003, GAIGA, 5770 MERSEY ROAD

Rezoning Application – Public Hearing Report, Minutes and Bylaw P1311.

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Bennett

THAT the Board of Directors receive the public hearing report.

CARRIED

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Bennett

THAT the Board of Directors receive the public hearing minutes.

CARRIED

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT Bylaw P1311, Regional District of Alberni-Clayoquot Zoning Atlas Amendment Bylaw, be read a second time.

CARRIED

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT Bylaw P1311, Regional District of Alberni-Clayoquot Zoning Atlas Amendment Bylaw, be read a third time.

CARRIED

10.1 STAFF REPORTS

- a. CAO Report – August 7, 2013**
- b. Planning and Development Report – August 7, 2013**
- c. Staff Action Items Report – August 9, 2013**

CAO R. Dyson updated his report and added the Long Beach Airport Superintendent, Mark Fortune will start his employment on August 19th and the Junior Planner/Bylaw Enforcer position has been filled by Heather Dunn who will start on September 9th.

MOVED: Director Bennett

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Staff Reports a-c.

CARRIED

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director Geall

THAT staff arrange a tour of the City of Nanaimo water shed for those Directors that wish to attend at an appropriate date.

CARRIED

MOVED: Director Kokura

SECONDED: Director Bennett

THAT the main motion be amended to include any Director that attends this tour the costs associated will be charged back to those Electoral Areas.

CARRIED

The main motion as amended was;

CARRIED

Opposed: Directors McLeman and Geall

10.2 COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Beaver Creek Water Advisory Committee Meeting – August 7, 2013

Director McNabb reported the meeting was well attended, they discussed previous studies and the direction they should be taking, stand alone or integrated water system. A report by McElhanney was received. The best route is to move towards a regional water system with other participants. The next step is to hold a public meeting and discuss the options with the residents

b. Alberni Valley Committee Meeting – August 14, 2013

Director Solda thanked staff for arranging the tour of the Sproat Lake Marine Service and the Alberni Valley Landfill. R. Dyson explained the Marine Patrol has been provided thru grant and aid for the past 10 years. Staff have proposed that this is a service and should be established as such. Staff will prepare a bylaw and present at the next board meeting. The Alberni Valley Landfill contract with Berry and Vale has been extended for one year and staff will be preparing the information and background intended for a tender process with a minimum of a 5 year operating agreement.

c. Transportation Meeting

Director McLeman reported the Chairs of the Transportation Committee attended a meeting in Courtenay with Mayors and Regional District representatives. He reported they are invited to meet with all elected representatives of the Comox Valley.

MOVED: Director Bennett

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Verbal Reports a-c.

CARRIED

d. In-Kind Offerings

MOVED: Director Kokura

SECONDED: Director Bennett

THAT the Board of Directors offer in-kind services to Mr. Callicum and Mr. Williams and forward their requests for funding to the Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network.

CARRIED

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. LATE BUSINESS

a. VIA Rail Negotiations Update Meeting

August 20th @ 10:30 ICF Boardroom 7 Port Way, Nanaimo, BC

MOVED: Director Bennett

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the Board of Directors send the CAO and Chair to represent the Board at the VIA Rail Negotiations Update Meeting August 20th.

CARRIED

b. Tire Dump Cleanup

August 20th @ 10:30 ICF Boardroom 7 Port Way, Nanaimo, BC

MOVED: Director McLeman

SECONDED: Director McNabb

THAT the Board of Directors send to a letter to the Province thanking them for the cleanup of the Tire Dump Site.

CARRIED

13. QUESTION PERIOD

14. IN-CAMERA

MOVED: Director Cote

SECONDED: Director Kokura

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss matters relating to:

- i. Litigation or potential litigation affecting the Regional District;*
- ii. Negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a Regional District service that are at their preliminary stages, disclosure of which the Board considers could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the Regional District if they were held in public.*

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 3:25 pm.

The meeting was re-opened to the public at 4:05 pm.

15. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD FROM IN-CAMERA

16. ADJOURN

MOVED: Director McNabb

SECONDED: Director McLeman

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 4:05 pm.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Cindy N. Solda,
Chairperson

Russell Dyson,
Chief Administrative Officer