



**MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT OF PORT HARDY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 26, 2015
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL HALL
7360 COLUMBIA STREET**

PRESENT: Mayor Hank Bood and Councillors Pat Corbett-Labatt, Dennis Dugas, Jessie Hemphill, Rick Marcotte, Fred Robertson and John Tidbury

ALSO PRESENT: Rick Davidge, Chief Administrative Officer
Jeff Long, Director of Corporate and Development Services

MEDIA: None **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** 3

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bood called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded/Carried
THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

2015-010
APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held January 13, 2015.

Moved/Seconded/Carried
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting January 13, 2015 be approved as presented.

2015-011
REGULAR
MEETING
MINUTES JAN
13/15 APPROVED

D. DELEGATIONS

1. Staff Sgt. Gord Brownridge, RCMP re: Quarterly Report to Council (October – December 2014)

Staff Sgt. Gord Brownridge provided an overview of his RCMP report on the last quarter of 2014 that was included in the agenda package. He also mentioned that the RCMP is working on revitalizing the restorative justice program.

Councillor Corbett-Labatt indicated that distracted driving is a serious problem which requires more attention. With respect to the RCMP's First Nations youth program, she asked about RCMP attendance at Port Hardy Secondary School which has a number First Nations Students and Staff Sgt. Brownridge clarified that the RCMP program is active there too.

Mayor Bood thanked Staff Sgt. Brownridge for taking the time to come to Council to present his quarterly report.

2. Fire Chief Schell Nickerson, Port Hardy Fire Rescue re: Quarterly Report to Council (October – December 2014)

Fire Chief Nickerson provided an overview of his report on PHFRD activities for the last quarter of 2014 that was included in the agenda package. Councillor Robertson asked whether the maintenance of membership was an issue for the PHFRD given the signage posted on Byng Road. Fire Chief Nickerson advised that it is generally not a problem overall however, this is an effort to promote membership that can respond locally to serve Fire Hall No. 2 on Beaver Harbour Road which currently has less than the 10 members preferred by the Fire Underwriters Survey.

Mayor Bood thanked Fire Chief Nickerson for taking the time to come to Council to present his quarterly report.

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ACTION ITEMS

1. Council action items were received for information.
2. Request by the Tri Port Minor Hockey Association on December 31, 2014 re: contributions from the District of Port Hardy for use of the Civic Center, as well as associated banquet services at a cost of \$652.50, for the banquet to be conducted as part of the March 2015 BC Hockey Bantam Tier 3 Tournament, as discussed at the January 13th regular Council meeting.

TRI PORT MINOR
HOCKEY
REQUEST FOR
DONATION

Councillor Tidbury advised that the Port Hardy Lions Club has made arrangements to donate the requested items to the Tri Port Minor Hockey Association for this event. As a result, Council discussed the merits of other donation options including cash and an in-kind contribution, such as ice time, in the context of its policies. Council acknowledged the amount of effort that goes into orchestrating an event of this magnitude and the benefits of having many visitors come to Port Hardy to participate and thanked the organizers and volunteers.

2015-012
APPROVE
GRANT-IN-AID TO
TRI PORT MINOR
HOCKEY ASSOC

Moved/Seconded/Carried
That the District of Port Hardy donate \$1,000 to the Tri Port Minor Hockey Association as a contribution toward the March 2015 BC Hockey Bantam Tier 3 Tournament event by way of grant-in-aid.

3. Request by Port Hardy Legion and 101 Squadron with respect to the Wounded Warrior Run BC 2015 event to appoint a Councillor to participate on the organizing committee, post a link on the District website and advertise the event on the recreation sign, as discussed at the January 13th regular Council meeting.

2015-013
APPROVE
REQUESTS BY
LEGION -
WOUNDED
WARRIORS RUN

Moved/Seconded/Carried
That with respect to the requests by the Port Hardy Legion and 101 Squadron regarding the Wounded Warrior Run BC 2015 event as presented and discussed at the regular Council meeting on January 13, 2015, Council hereby appoints Councillor Rick Marcotte to participate on the organizing committee, and directs staff to post a link on the District website and advertise the event on the recreation sign.

4. Draft resolution prepared by CAO R. Davidge and Administrator G. Fletcher (RDMW) as per Council's request at its January 13, 2015 regular Council meeting pertaining to BC Hydro's residential electrical power rates.

2015-014
DRAFT
RESOLUTION –
UBCM – PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMM

Moved/Seconded

THAT Council endorses the Draft Resolution wherein the UBCM would request the BC Utilities Commission to review the BC Hydro residential electrical tariff structure and increase the amount of kilowatt hours that qualify for the lower rate in all areas that do not have natural gas service.

Councillor Hemphill advised of the UBCM guidelines for resolutions that state that 'whereas' statements should be limited to two per resolution. J. Long advised that the first two and second two whereas statements could be amalgamated to comply.

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT Council endorses the Draft Resolution, as amended, wherein the UBCM would request the BC Utilities Commission to review the BC Hydro residential electrical tariff structure and increase the amount of kilowatt hours that qualify for the lower rate in all areas that do not have natural gas service.

2015-015
ADOPT AMENDED
RESOLUTION –
UBCM – PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMM

Staff advised that the amended resolution would be forwarded to Mr. Fletcher for submission.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Al Richmond, Chair, Healthy Communities Committee (Jan.12/15)
Community Poverty Reduction Strategy Forum.

Council discussed the Community Poverty Reduction Strategy Stakeholder Forum to be conducted on March 27, 2015. The Healthy Communities Committee and Ministry of Children and Family Development are requesting that two to three representatives from Port Hardy attend. It was noted that the letter indicates that some funding is available to accommodate representation at the event.

Councillor Hemphill noted that she could attend the event in Richmond which is only a short distance for her from Nanaimo.

Council requested staff obtain clarification regarding the nature of the Forum and its applicability to Port Hardy, as well as the extent of the availability of funding for it.

2. Linda Tynan, President, CivicInfo BC and CAO, Village of Nakusp (Jan. 6/15)
CivicInfo BC Membership Renewal for 2015.

Council asked staff about CivicInfo and the cost of the membership. R. Davidge provided Council with examples of the activities that CivicInfo undertakes that are beneficial to its member local governments. J. Long advised the membership fee is \$300.

2015-016
RENEW
CIVICINFO
MEMBERSHIP

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT staff renew the District of Port Hardy's membership for 2015 in the CivicInfo Society.

FIRST NATIONS
EMPLOYMENT
AND TRAINING
STRATEGY
PROJECT

3. Dallas W. Smith, President, Nanwakolas Council (Jan.16/15)
Nanwakolas Council First Nations Employment and Training Strategy Project – Phase 1.

Council asked staff to contact Kerry Jothen to determine how Port Hardy could participate / contribute.

G. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

H. COUNCIL REPORTS

COUNCIL
REPORTS

Mayor Bood and Councillors Pat Corbett-Labatt, Dennis Dugas, Jessie Hemphill, Rick Marcotte, Fred Robertson and John Tidbury reported on their recent meetings and other activities they attended and/or undertook. Councilor Hemphill advised Council that a cultural orientation meeting is being arranged for the morning of February 11th at the Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxda'xw Friendship Centre.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1) Draft minutes of the Operational Services Committee meeting held January 22, 2015 was received for information.

Recommendations to Council:

- a) *“THAT the Operational Services Committee requests that Council to send a letter to the Kwakiutl Band to provide it with an update on the school development study.”*

2015-017
LETTER TO
KWAKIUTL –
WAGALUS
SCHOOL

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT staff prepares and sends a letter to the Kwakiutl Band to provide it with an update on the Wagalus School development study.

- b) *“THAT the Operational Services Committee requests that staff and the Harbour Manager work with this charter group to come up with an agreement that can be brought back to Council for discussion.”*

2015-018
AGREEMENT
WITH CHARTER
GROUP

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT staff and the Harbour Manager work with the charter group to develop an agreement that can be brought back to Council for discussion.

J. STAFF REPORTS

No staff reports.

K. CURRENT BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS

None

L. PENDING BYLAWS

District of Port Hardy Street Naming Bylaw No. 1037-2015

M. INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information and announcements in the agenda package were received for information.

N. NOTICE OF IN CAMERA MEETING

No in camera meeting scheduled at this time.

O. ADJOURNMENT

2015-019
ADJOURNMENT

Moved
THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Time: 7:59 pm

CORRECT

APPROVED

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE
& DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

MAYOR