



**MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT OF PORT HARDY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 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
Leslie Driemel, Recording Secretary

MEDIA: N.I. Gazette **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** 1

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bood called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Bood advised Council of an addendum to the agenda under I.COMMITTEE REPORTS, Addition of item #2: Draft minutes of the Operational Services Committee meeting held February 19, 2014. For information and Committee recommendations to Council:

- a. *"The Operational Services Committee recommends to Council that the proposed BC Timber Sale block PHhd977 proceed."*
- b. *"The Operational Services Committee recommends to Council that the District of Port Hardy recognize and support National Public Works Week May 17-23, 2015 in Port Hardy."*

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

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of the Special Council meeting held February 10, 2015.

Moved/Seconded/Carried
THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting held February 10, 2015 be approved as presented.

2. The minutes of the Regular Council meeting held February 10, 2015.

Moved/Seconded/Carried
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held February 10, 2015 be approved as presented.

3. The minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held February 19, 2015.

2015-027
APPROVE
AGENDA AS
AMENDED

2015-028
SPECIAL
COUNCIL
MEETING
MINUTES FEB 10
/15 APPROVED

2015-029
REGULAR
MEETING
MINUTES FEB
10/15 APPROVED

2015-030
COMMITTEE OF
THE WHOLE
MEETING
MINUTES FEB
19/15 APPROVED

Moved/Seconded/Carried
THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held February 19, 2015 be approved as presented.

D. DELEGATIONS

No delegations

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ACTION ITEMS

1. Council action items were received for information.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Kate Pinsonneault, Executive Director, North Island Early Child Development Society (Feb 1/15) re: request for conference sponsorship.

Council Policy CP2.7 Grants in Aid / Fee for Service was received for information.

Mayor Bood advised Council that the North Island Early Child Development Society had requested Council funding for a workshop in 2014 and that the request was not approved. At that time the Society was advised by A. McCarrick, Director of Financial Services of Policy CP2.7 Grants in Aid / Fee for Service and the September 30 deadline for the upcoming year. Council was advised of the \$1,000 grant recently approved for Port Hardy Minor Hockey and that there was \$1,000 remaining in the grant allocation budget for 2015.

Councillor Pat Corbett-Labatt commented that the letter advised there were five years of previous workshops and suggested contacting the Society to ask if there were extenuating circumstances as to why they did not follow the policy information provided to them in 2014 by the Director of Financial Services.

Mayor Bood advised Council has the choice to approve the request, not approve the request or to table it to another Council meeting.

Councillor Dugas commented that if the North Island Early Child Development Society workshops are a yearly event that they should apply ahead of time

Councillor Hemphill commented that a silver sponsorship with a value of \$250 might be appropriate with a letter advising that proper Grant in Aid policy process is to be followed for any future consideration.

Councillor Robertson commented that if Council tabled the request until the Society advised why they did not follow the policy provided to them Council could put itself in the position of determining if the reason given is good enough.

Councillor Tidbury advised he would be voting against approving sponsorship funding as there is a Grant in Aid policy in place and that the Society had been informed of the process.

2015-031
N.I. EARLY CHILD
DEVEL SOCIETY
REQUEST FOR
SPONSORSHIP

Moved/Seconded/DEFEATED

THAT Council approve a silver level sponsorship of \$250 for North Island Early Child Development Society workshop being held May 15-16, 2015 AND THAT a letter be sent advising that proper CP2.7 Grant in Aid policy process is to be followed for any future funding consideration.

2015-032
ADVISE N.I.
EARLY CHILD
DEVEL SOCIETY
REQUEST FOR
SPONSORSHIP
DENIED

Moved/Seconded/Carried Unanimously

THAT North Island Early Child Development Society be advised that their request for sponsorship has not been approved and proper CP2.7 Grant in Aid policy process is to be followed for any future funding consideration.

2. Jack Davidson, President, B.C. Road Builders & Heavy Construction Association (Feb 3/15) re: Congratulations on election was received for information.
3. Copy of letter to Joe Natale, President & CEO, Telus from Claire Trevena, MLA (North Island) (Feb 3/15) re: internet connectivity cell coverage and pager service was received for information.

Councillor Pat Corbett-Labatt asked if any further information has been received regarding Telus internet connectivity in Port Hardy.

Rick Davidge, Chief Administrative Officer advised that no other information has been received since the last email was circulated. He commented that it is expected Telus will be providing information to local north island governments in the near future.

G. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

H. COUNCIL REPORTS

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.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Draft minutes of the Parks & Recreation Review Committee meeting held February 17, 2015.

Recommendations to Council:

- a. *"The Parks and Recreation Review Committee recommends to Council that early budget approval of up to \$20,000 be allotted for Beaver Harbour Park outfield upgrades."*

Councillor Dugas requested information on the \$20,000 budget amount.

Councillor Robertson advised that a contractor doing work on the Port McNeill ball fields reviewed the Port Hardy ball fields and estimated a 'ball park' figure of \$20,000 would be a starting point for the required ball field upgrades. Councillor Robertson further advised that spending \$20,000 for upgrades would be for short term improvements and that a long term strategy and budget for ball field improvements would need to be developed. Council was advised that ball field upgrades are a \$30,000 budget item for 2015.

COUNCIL
REPORTS

2015-033
EARLY BUDGET
APPROVAL FOR
BEAVER
HARBOUR PARK
OUTFIELD
UPGRADES

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT Council give early budget approval of up to \$20,000 for Beaver Harbour Park outfield upgrades.

- b. *“The Parks and Recreation Review Committee recommends to Council that the Beaver Harbour Park ball diamond #3 lights be assessed AND THAT if unsafe they be removed AND THAT a cost estimate to replace ball diamond #3 lights be prepared.”*

Councillor Tidbury advised that the recommendation should read: *Beaver Harbour Park ball diamond #1 lights be assessed AND THAT if unsafe they be removed AND THAT a cost estimate to replace ball diamond #1 lights be prepared*

2015-034
BEAVER
HARBOUR PARK
BALL DIAMOND #1
LIGHTS

Moved/Seconded/

THAT the Beaver Harbour Park ball diamond #1 lights be assessed AND THAT if unsafe they be removed AND THAT a cost estimate to replace ball diamond #1 lights be prepared.

Councillor Hemphill commented on the wording of the motion and suggested the lights and poles be assessed prior to taking further action.

2015-035
AMEND MOTION
2015-031

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the motion be amended to read: THAT Beaver Harbour Park ball diamond #1 lights be assessed and a report brought back for Council consideration.

2015-036
BEAVER
HARBOUR PARK
BALL DIAMOND #1
LIGHTS BE
ASSESSED

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT Beaver Harbour Park ball diamond #1 lights be assessed and a report brought back for Council consideration

Addendum:

2. Draft minutes of the Operational Services Committee meeting held February 19, 2015. For information.

Recommendations to Council:

- a. *“The Operational Services Committee recommends to Council that the proposed BC Timber Sale block PHhd977 proceed.”*

Councillor Tidbury, through a media presentation, advised that the size of the BC Timber Sale block PHhd977 has been reduced.

Council discussed the area to be cut, possible impact on the watershed and the BC Timber sales work plan for BC Timber Sale block PHhd977.

Councillor Tidbury advised the work plan is a mirror image of the watershed plan.

2015-037
APPROVED
PROPOSED BC
TIMBER SALE
BLOCK PHHD977

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT Council approve the Ministry of Forests, BC Timber Sales proposed sale of block PHhd977.

- b. *“The Operational Services Committee recommends to Council that the District of Port Hardy recognize and support National Public Works Week May 17-23, 2015 in Port Hardy.”*

Councillor Rick Marcotte commented that the Public Works Department is an important part of the town's operations and budget. He suggested that an open house at the Public Works yard and tours of the water treatment plant be organized

during Public Works Week.

Pat Corbett-Labatt commented that she agrees with Councillor Marcotte regarding holding events during Public Works Week and that organizing events would be better than just issuing a proclamation.

Councillor Tidbury commented that once a proclamation is issued staff can work to organize events during Public Works Week.

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the District of Port Hardy recognize and support *National Public Works Week May 17-23, 2015* in Port Hardy and issue a proclamation for the same.

Council directed staff to organize events for Public Works Week May 17-23, 2015 in Port Hardy

2015-038
PROCLAIM MAY
17-23, 2015
NATIONAL
PUBLIC WORKS
WEEK IN PORT
HARDY

J. STAFF REPORTS

1. None

K. CURRENT BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS

1. District of Port Hardy Bylaw 1038-2015, A Bylaw to Amend District of Port Hardy Emergency Program Bylaw 17-2007. For Adoption.

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT District of Port Hardy Bylaw 1038-2015, A Bylaw to Amend District of Port Hardy Emergency Program Bylaw 17-2007 be adopted.

2. District of Port Hardy Bylaw 1037-2015 A Bylaw to Rename the Portion of Thunderbird Way South of Granville Street. For First, Second and Third Readings.

2015-039
BL 1038-2015, TO
AMEND DISTRICT
OF PORT HARDY
EMERGENCY
PROGRAM
BYLAW 17-2007
ADOPTED

Mayor Bood advised the renaming of the Portion of Thunderbird Way South of Granville Street was to honour Mayor Bev Parnham and recognize her work in the community.

Councillor Robertson commented that the new name was not readily apparent. Councillor Pat Corbett-Labatt advised that in the body of the bylaw the new name is designated "Beverley Parnham Way".

Jeff Long, Director of Corporate and Development Services advised that once three readings to the bylaw are approved a letter will be sent to notify the property owners and give them the date for the bylaw adoption and address change information.

2015-040
BYL1037-2015
RENAME THE
PORTION OF
THUNDERBIRD
WAY SOUTH OF
GRANVILLE ST.
1st, 2nd & 3rd
READING

Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT District of Port Hardy Bylaw 1037-2015 A Bylaw to Rename the Portion of Thunderbird Way South of Granville Street receive First, Second and Third Readings.

L. PENDING BYLAWS

No pending bylaws.

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

2015-041
ADJOURNMENT

Moved
THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Time: 7:50pm

CORRECT

APPROVED



DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE
& DEVELOPMENT SERVICES



MAYOR

