



# Town of Ladysmith

## GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Government Services Committee held in Council Chambers at City Hall  
on Monday, August 18, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

### COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Duck Paterson  
Doug Fraser  
Mayor Rob Hutchins

Jan Christenson  
Donald Fyfe-Wilson  
Rob Johnson

### COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Scott Bastian

### STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli  
Rebecca Kalina  
Felicity Adams  
Mark Hermanson

Sandy Bowden  
Patrick Durban  
Joe Friesenhan

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The Chair, Councillor Duck Paterson, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Change in Order of Items:  
Item 9.1 to follow Item 5

2008-135: It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the Government Services Committee meeting of Monday, August 18, 2008 be approved as amended.

### MINUTES

2008-136: It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Government Services Committee meeting of Monday, August 18, 2008 be approved as circulated.

### REPORTS

The Committee received brief departmental activity updates from the City Manager; Directors of Parks, Recreation and Culture, Public Works, Corporate Services and the Manager of Development Services.

2008-137: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the closing in of the ditch between Methuen Street and Belaire and Fourth Avenue to First Avenue be referred to the 2009 Budget discussions for consideration.

2008-138: It was moved, seconded and carried that the Public Works Department be requested to confirm if materials have been placed in the ditch between Methuen Street and Belaire and Fourth Avenue to First Avenue by adjacent residents and, if so, that surrounding property owners be requested not to use the ditch for the disposal of unwanted materials.

2008-139: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission be requested to review the placement of a swimming raft and lifeguard support at Transfer Beach.

The meeting recessed at 6:58 p.m. for a special meeting of Council.

The meeting resumed at 8:46 p.m.

2008-140: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the Economic Development Commission be requested to request the Tourism Advisory Committee to review the feasibility of marketing Ladysmith with Nanaimo, specifically the new Nanaimo Convention Centre and the Cruise Ships.  
(Opposed Votes - Councillor D. Fraser and Councillor D. Paterson)

2008-141: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the owner of 401 Blair Place be advised that the Town of Ladysmith will not consider installing a fence along the south-westerly border of Gourlay Janes Park;

And that staff be requested to inform the contractor for the Chemainus Road upgrade project that access to the Gourlay Janes Park cannot be blocked and that all items restricting access to the park must be removed.

And that appropriate signage be placed on Blair Place and along the beach regarding beach access;

And that "no parking" signs be placed in the Blair Place cul-de-sac. .

2008-142: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that staff be requested to submit a grant application under the Canada-British Columbia Building Canada Fund Program for the secondary sewer treatment upgrade project.

2008-143: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that staff be authorized to remove the unsafe portion of the porch and clean up the remainder of the yard at 624 Maplewood Way with the cost to be recovered from the property owner.

The Committee reviewed the report from S. Hurst, Leftside Partners Inc., regarding Development Cost Charges Update, dated July 15, 2008.

The Committee directed staff to proceed with Option 4 as outlined in the report.

2008-144: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council to receive the report by F. Adams, Manager of Development Services, dated August 6, 2008 regarding the Machine Shop - Business Case.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

2008-145: It was moved, seconded and carried that the correspondence from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities dated July 29, 2009 regarding information on TILMA be received and filed.

2008-146: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that event organizers be requested to advise participants and attendees of the Town's Dog Licensing; Control and Pound Bylaw (2005) which prohibits dogs from being on First Avenue during special events.

2008-147: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that B. Sedola and S. Platt be advised that the Town's Dog Licensing; Control and Pound Bylaw (2005) prohibits dogs from being on First Avenue during special events.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

2008-148: It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting adjourn. (8:42 p.m.)

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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Chair (Councillor D. Paterson)

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Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)