

Town of Ladysmith

GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Government Services Committee held in Council Chambers at City Hall on Monday, November 17, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Duck PatersonScott BastianJan ChristensonDoug FraserMayor Rob HutchinsRob Johnson

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli Sandy Bowden
Rebecca Kalina Joanna Winter
Felicity Adams Mark Hermanson
Joe Friesenhan Patrick Durban

The Chair, Councillor Duck Paterson, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

2008-166: It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the Government Services Committee meeting of Monday, November 17, 2008 be approved as circulated.

MINUTES

2008-167: It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Government Services Committee meeting of Monday, October 20, 2008 be approved as circulated.

DELEGATIONS

Sandy Dyer, Kim Graczyk, Betty Smits and Kerri Barbounis, representing the Lodge on 4th, were in attendance to discuss their concerns regarding quality of care at the Lodge. Committee members concurred that the Town should act as advocates for the Lodge and the Mayor agreed to meet with them in this regard. Councillor D. Paterson, Chair, thanked Ms. Dyer, Ms. Graczyk, Ms. Smits and Ms. Barbounis for their presentation.

Lynn Courtney, resident of Ivy Green Mobile Home Park, was in attendance to discuss concerns regarding the future of manufactured home parks in Ladysmith and the need for the Town to adopt a policy to protect manufactured home owners in the event of redevelopment plans. Councillor D. Paterson, Chair, thanked Ms. Courtney for her presentation.

2008-168: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that staff be requested to prepare a draft Manufactured Home Park Policy for Council's review; based on the current policies of the CVRD, Sooke, Langford and the draft policy presented by the Ivy Green residents.

REPORTS

2008-169: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that a second address sign for 332 Belaire be installed at the east corner of the property facing Belaire Street and that the strata council at the address be informed that the sign will be installed.

2008-170: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the assist factor for new Town of Ladysmith Development Cost Charges remain at the current rate of 1%.

2008-171: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that approval be given for the Snow Angels nomination based community awards program to officially recognize volunteers in our community who provide snow clearing for neighbours in need during snowfalls;

AND THAT the program include \$500 from the 2009 Public Relations budget to be awarded to five Snow Angels in the amount of \$100 each on Monday, April 6, 2009.

2008-172: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council to authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$1,000 for the Ladysmith Citizens on Patrol (LCOP) to cover fuel charges for the patrol van used for regular LCOP patrols and for the Speed Watch Program within the Town of Ladysmith and that the 5 Year Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

2008-173: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that approval be given to Ladysmith Family and Friends (LaFF) to make application for a Major Capital Project Grant under the BC Gaming Branch Program in the amount of \$95,000 for operating their programs in the Agricultural Hall (Aggie Hall) and that their lease be extended to a five-year term, which is a requirement of this program.

2008-174: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that approval be given to the Mid Isle Soccer Association to make application for a Major Capital Project Grant under the BC Gaming Branch Program in the amount of \$100,000 to assist with proposed upgrades to the Aggie Field; and that if a 5-year lease agreement for fields use is required that this be granted.

2008-175: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the quote by Russell Food Equipment Limited for supply of kitchen equipment for the Aggie Hall in the amount of \$50,687.52, together with an estimate by Elm Electric for electrical upgrades and provision of three-phase power in the amount of \$20,000 be approved and that the Town's purchasing policy by waived in order that this work can be carried out in January 2009.

2008-176: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that Public Works be authorized to clean up the property at 11 - 245 Oyster Cove Road and charge the owner for the cleanup.

Staff were requested to confirm that the property owner has been notified in accordance with the legislation prior to proceeding with the cleanup of the property.

CORRESPONDENCE

2008-177: It was moved, seconded and carried that a letter be sent to the owner of Ladysmith Taxi in reply to his letter dated September 29, 2008 indicating that the purpose of the public transit system in Ladysmith is to provide service for all residents in the Community.

2008-178: It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the letter dated October 25, 2008 from B. Cruickshank, Vice President, of the Arts Council of Ladysmith & District be received and filed.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>	2008-179: It was moved, s	econded and carried that this meeting adjourn. (7:50 p.m.)	
CERTIFIED CORRECT:		Chair (Councillor D. Paterson)	=
Corporate Officer (S. Bowde	n)		