



LADYSMITH

**TOWN OF LADYSMITH  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR SESSION OF  
THE GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2010 - 5:30 P.M.**

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**PRESENT:**

Councillor Duck Paterson, Chair  
Councillor Steve Arnett

Councillor Lori Evans  
Mayor Rob Hutchins

Councillor Bruce Whittington  
Councillor Jillian Dashwood

**ABSENT:**

Councillor Scott Bastian

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Ruth Malli  
Felicity Adams

Sandy Bowden  
Pat Durban

Rebecca Kalina  
Joe Friesenhan

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Councillor Paterson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

**2010-006**

It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**MINUTES**

**2010-007**

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Government Services Committee minutes of January 18, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

**DELEGATIONS**

COWICHAN GREEN COMMUNITY – COWICHAN FOOD CHARTER  
Judy Stafford and Jessica Kerr were in attendance to discuss the Cowichan Food Charter. Ms Stafford provided an overview of the Cowichan Green Community non-profit society which has drafted the Cowichan Food Charter. Ms. Kerr reviewed the Cowichan Food Charter and encouraged individual Council members and the Town to participate. The Chair, Duck Paterson, thanked Ms. Stafford and Ms. Kerr for their presentation.

2010-008

It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the Town of Ladysmith sign on to the Cowichan Food Charter.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

The City Manager, R. Malli, presented the Committee with a brief verbal update on operational and strategic activities.

**REPORTS**

VISITOR PUBLIC WASHROOM

2010-009

It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the Chamber of Commerce be requested to provide an evaluation of Visitor Information Centre washroom use and provide Council with a recommendation.

TOWN OF LADYSMITH LIGHTING ASSESSMENT

2010-010

It was moved, seconded and carried that it be recommended to Council that the lighting assessment report dated January 29, 2010 provided by Philips and Wesco be received.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS TASK FORCE

2010-011

It was moved, seconded and carried that:

- a) the correspondence dated January 29, 2010 from B. Bennett, Minister of Community and Rural Development, regarding Local Government Elections Task Force be received;
- b) Staff be directed to coordinate a response from the Town to the Local Government Elections Task Force regarding the topics outlined in the correspondence;
- c) members of Council send their comments to the Corporate Officer for inclusion in the response by April 14, 2010;
- d) a draft of the response be presented to the April 19, 2010 Government Services Committee meeting;
- e) Staff send the Task Force's request for written comments to the Ladysmith Chamber of Commerce, the Downtown Business Association, advisory commissions/ committees, and any other organization deemed appropriate and request that they send their comments directly to the Task Force and copy the Town; and,
- f) Staff be directed to post a link on the Town's website to information on the Task Force's activities and encourage other interested parties to provide comments directly to the Task Force.

LADYSMITH COMMUNITY GARDENS SOCIETY

2010-012

It was moved, seconded and carried that the letter dated February 8, 2010 from the Ladysmith Community Gardens Society requesting an interim community gardens budget of \$8,010 be referred to staff for review and report to the March 15, 2010 Government Services Committee meeting.

**QUESTIONS**

Bill Eller, President, Ladysmith Chamber of Commerce, presented the Committee with a report entitled "Visitors Information Centre – Public Washroom Analysis". A discussion ensued regarding the report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

2010-013

It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

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Chair (Councillor D. Paterson)

**CERTIFIED CORRECT**

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Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)