

TOWN OF LADYSMITH MINUTES OF A REGULAR SESSION OF THE GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011 – 6:15 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Steve Arnett (Chair) Mayor Rob Hutchins Councillor Jillian Dashwood Councillor Lori Evans Councillor Duck Paterson Councillor Bruce Whittington

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillor Scott Bastian

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli Sandy Bowden Felicity Adams
Erin Anderson Joanna Winter

CALL TO ORDER Councillor Arnett called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

2011-034 It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the

Government Services Committee meeting of April 18, 2011 be

adopted as circulated.

MINUTES

2011-035 It was moved, seconded and carried that the Government Services

Committee minutes for the meeting held March 21, 2011 be

adopted as circulated.

DELEGATIONS Ed Nicholson, Ladysmith & District Historical Society

E. Nicholson of the Ladysmith and District Historical Society made a presentation outlining the need for a Ladysmith museum, and requesting assistance from the Town in investigating the feasibility

of establishing a museum and finding grant funding.

Greg Roberts, Ladysmith Community Gardens Society

G. Roberts made a presentation regarding successes of the Society in its first year of operating a community garden, and invited Council to make suggestions regarding other contributions the Society could be making to the community. Committee members thanked Mr. Roberts for his presentation and thanked the society for their hard work, and congratulated them on their successes to

date.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The City Manager reported that her priority for the month had been the preparation of the 2011 to 2015 Financial Plan.

REPORTS

Condition of the Trees at the Ladysmith Arboretum

2011-036

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee recommend that Council request staff to schedule a seminar for staff of Vancouver Island municipalities on construction practices around existing trees and that the removal of a gingko and four other dead or dying trees in the Ladysmith Arboretum, and their replacement with the same species of trees.

Staff were requested to ensure that the replacement trees will be suitable for the conditions at the Arboretum.

Ladysmith Community Gardens

2011-037

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee recommend that Council enter into a Licence of Occupation and Use Agreement with the Ladysmith Community Gardens Society for the Ladysmith Community Garden/ High Street Green on a portion of High Street Park.

Building Inspector's Report for March, 2011

2011-038

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Building Inspector's Report for March 2011 be received.

Trolley Report for March 2011

2011-039

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Trolley Report for March 2011 be received.

Fire Chief's Report for March 2011

2011-040

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Fire Chief's Report for March 2011 be received.

Animal Control / Pound Report for March 2011

2011-041

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Animal Control / Pound Report for March be received.

Staff were requested to determine whether the report can identify repeat offenders under the 'Aggressive/ Large animals' category.

Ladysmith Detachment, Royal Canadian Mounted Police

2011-042

It was moved, seconded and carried that the quarterly report for January to March 2011 form S/Sgt. Roger Plamondon, Ladysmith Detachment, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, be received.

CORRESPONDENCE

Isabelle Ouelette, Ladysmith and District Historical Society

2011-043

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee recommend that Council refer the matter of the proposed Ladysmith Museum as outlined in the correspondence from the Ladysmith and District Historical Society dated April 5, 2011, to the Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission and to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

2011-044

It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting of the Government Services Committee be adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Chair (Councillor S. Arnett)

Certified Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)