

Town of Ladysmith Minutes of a Regular Session of THE GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE Monday, October 21, 2013

6:15 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Gord Horth (Chair) Councillor Jillian Dashwood Councillor Glenda Patterson Councillor Steve Arnett Mayor Rob Hutchins Councillor Bill Drysdale Councillor Duck Paterson

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli John Manson Sandy Bowden Clayton Postings Erin Anderson Joanna Winter

CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Horth called the Government Services Committee meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

GS 2013-90

It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for this meeting of the Government Services Committee be approved with the following amendments:

5.1 Defer "Cowichan Valley Regional District Update" to the November 2013 Government Services Committee meeting and add "Compost Bucket"

7.1 Add "Stop Sign"

7.2 Add "Audio Signals on Highway Crosswalks"

MINUTES

GS 2013-91

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Government Services Committee meeting held August 19, 2013 be approved as circulated.

REPORTS

City Manager's Report

The City Manager responded to questions about her report for the months of August and September 2013.

GS 2013-92

It was moved, seconded and carried that the City Manager's Report for the months of August and September 2013 be received.

Financial Report to September 30, 2013

GS 2013-93 It was moved, seconded and carried that the Financial Report to

September 30, 2013 be received.

Town of Ladysmith Information Systems Strategic Plan

GS 2013-94

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee recommend that Council endorse the proposed Information Systems Strategic Plan Implementation Plan as presented, and that the items noted be referred to the upcoming 2014 budget discussions.

Building Inspector's Report - August and September 2013

GS 2013-95

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Building Inspector's Reports for August and September 2013 be received.

Trolley Report - August 2013

GS 2013-96

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Trolley Report for August 2013 be received.

Fire Chief's Report - August and September 2013

GS 2013-97

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Fire Chief's Reports for August and September 2013 be received.

Coastal Animal Control Services – August and September 2013 Pound Report

GS 2013-98

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Coastal Animal Control Services Pound Reports for August and September 2013 be received.

COUNCIL SUBMISSIONS

Compost Bucket

The Committee requested that staff investigate costs and options for distribution of updated compost buckets similar to those distributed by the Cowichan Valley Regional District, and report back to the Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE

Cowichan Women Against Violence Society

Purple Light Nights in Support of Activism Against Gender Violence

GS 2013-99

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee recommend that Council request the Festival of Lights Society to designate a tree to be strung with purple lights during the Festival of Lights in support of Cowichan Together Against Gender Violence.

Committee members agreed to donate funds to cover the costs of seven strings of purple lights and a sign explaining the purpose of the tree.

NEW BUSINESS

Stop Sign at Baden-Powell Street and Third Avenue

The Committee requested that staff take appropriate action if it is determined that a tree is blocking a stop sign at Baden-Powell Street and Third Avenue.

Audio Signals on Trans Canada Highway Crosswalks

The Committee requested that staff investigate costs and options

for installing audio crossing signals on the three Trans Canada Highway crosswalks, and how to ensure adequate time for pedestrians to cross.

ADJOURNMENT

GS 2013-100 It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting of the Government Services Committee be adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT	Chair (Councillor G. Horth)
Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)	
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