



Town of Ladysmith

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of the Town of Ladysmith held in Council Chambers at City Hall on Monday, August 24, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Rob Hutchins
Scott Bastian
Bruce Whittington

Steve Arnett
Jillian Dashwood
Duck Paterson

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lori Evans

STAFF PRESENT:

Patrick Durban
Rebecca Kalina

Joe Friesenhan

Mayor Hutchins called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The Mayor requested Council's consideration of adding updates on the following issues to the agenda:

- Holland Creek Salmon Habitat Improvements
- September 14th Filming of Movie in Ladysmith
- Donation of Totem by Francis Harris

2009-467: It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the Special Council meeting for Monday, August 24, 2009 be approved as amended.

REPORTS

FUNDING FOR TROLLEY STOP ADJACENT TO LADYSMITH AND DISTRICT CREDIT UNION

2009-468: It was moved, seconded and carried that Staff be requested to retain David Stalker Excavating Ltd. to excavate, level and repave the area where the laneway intersects First Avenue beside the Ladysmith and District Credit Union, and that the lane be permanently closed to all traffic with the work to be carried out on an hourly basis under the supervision of the Director of Public Works, with the funds to be allocated from the New Deal Gas Tax Fund, and that the Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

NEW BUSINESS

HOLLAND CREEK SALMON PROJECT

The Mayor advised that the work being done in Holland Creek is part of the Salmon Enhancement Project by the Ladysmith Sportsmen's Club. This work is being overseen by the Department of Fishers and Oceans (DFO) in accordance with federal regulations. The excavator being used for the work is fuelled by vegetable oil which is also used in its hydraulic system. This work will create new spawning beds and side channels.

FILM PROJECT IN LADYSMITH

The Mayor advised that a production company has approached the Town to film a movie in Ladysmith for one day. They have requested a street closure for First Avenue and possibly Gatacre Street on September 14, 2009. The production company has distributed letters to merchants in the area regarding the upcoming filming project. Staff will work with the company on the requested street closure.

The Mayor noted that Francis Harris of the Stz'uminus First Nation has provided a seven foot whale totem as a gift to the community which will be located in the Tourism Information Centre. The Mayor thanked Mr. Harris for his generous gift to the Town.

ADJOURNMENT

2009-469: It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 5:12 p.m

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor (R. Hutchins)

Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)