



**TOWN OF LADYSMITH
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
CALL TO ORDER 5:30 P.M.
CLOSED MEETING 5:31 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING 7:00 P.M.**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Steve Arnett	Councillor Jillian Dashwood	Councillor Bill Drysdale
Councillor Gord Horth	Councillor Duck Paterson	Councillor Glenda Patterson

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mayor Rob Hutchins

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli	Joanna Winter	Erin Anderson
John Manson		

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Arnett called this Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:37 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

CS 2014-198

Moved and seconded at 5:38 p.m.:

That Council retire into Closed Session in order to consider the following items:

- the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose
- personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality

Motion carried.

RISE AND REPORT

Council rose from Closed Meeting at 6:37 p.m. with report on the following item:

- Council appointed Rod Smith to serve on the Board of Directors of DL 2016 Holdings Corporation.

**REGULAR OPEN
MEETING**

Deputy Mayor Arnett called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2014-199

Moved and seconded:

That the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of June 2, 2014 be approved as amended by the following additions:

- 11.1 – Trolley Rental Waiver Request
- 11.2 – Grant-in-Aid Request for Aboriginal Day

- 12.1 – Amendment to Minutes of April 28, 2014
- 12.2 – Water Chlorination System 2014 Budget Recommendation

Motion carried.

MINUTES

CS 2014-200
Moved and seconded:
 That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Thursday, May 8, 2014 be approved.
Motion carried.

CS 2014-201
Moved and seconded:
 That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, May 12, 2014 be approved.
Motion carried.

CS 2014-202
Moved and seconded:
 That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Monday, May 26, 2014 be approved.
Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

Jacob Ellis, Cowichan Valley Regional District Funding for Cowichan Sportsplex

Jacob Ellis gave a presentation about a proposed regional funding model for the Cowichan Sportsplex, and asked Council and audience members to respond to five questions using *i-clickers*. The results of this survey and others being carried out throughout the region will be provided to the Board of the Cowichan Valley Regional District to assist in determining an appropriate funding model for the Cowichan Sportsplex.

Good Neighbour Awards

Deputy Mayor Arnett presented the Good Neighbour Award to the following individuals who go above and beyond to help their neighbours throughout the year:

- Lyle & Susan McChesney - nominated by Ryan & Cathleen McMahon
- John & Debbie Baker – nominated by Cindy LaFleur
- Ken Sutherland – nominated by Sue McMurtrie
- Jack Judson – nominated by Joe & Maureen Mulder

Deputy Mayor Arnett congratulated the Good Neighbour Award winners and thanked the nominators for showing their appreciation to their neighbours.

DELEGATIONS

Russel Barling, Forward Road Resident Suspected Hydrocarbon Contamination

Russel Barling, on behalf of residents of Forward Road, addressed Council about concerns and frustration over health and environmental effects of hydrocarbon contamination in the area

surrounding the former Dalby gas station.

The Director of Infrastructure Services reviewed actions taken by the Town since the issue was first brought to the Town's attention in 2005.

Council advised that, although this matter is under provincial jurisdiction, the Town intends to pursue the matter with the provincial government and encouraged the residents to do the same.

Moved and seconded:

CS 2014-203

That Council write an urgent and strongly worded letter to the Minister of Environment, with copies to MLAs Doug Routley and Bill Routley and Government Caucus Chair Michelle Stillwell, insisting that the government take immediate action to address the issue of hydrocarbon contamination in the vicinity of Forward Road; and further that Council follow up with a request for a meeting with the Minister of Environment, to which a representative of the Forward Road residents would also be invited.

Motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Hutchins proclaimed June 14th and 15th, 2014 as **Be a Hometown Tourist Weekend** in the Town of Ladysmith to encourage local residents to become acquainted with the community and in so doing become supporters and ambassadors of local businesses and attractions.

BYLAWS

Town of Ladysmith Dog Licencing, Control and Pound Bylaw 1995, No. 1155, Amendment Bylaw 2014, No. 1852

Moved and seconded:

CS 2014-204

That Town of Ladysmith Dog Licencing, Control and Pound Bylaw 1995, No. 1155, Amendment Bylaw 2014, No. 1852 be adopted.

Motion carried.

Town of Ladysmith Indemnification Bylaw 2014, No. 1862

CS 2014-205

Moved and seconded:

That Town of Ladysmith Indemnification Bylaw 2014, No. 1862 be adopted.

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Phil Turin, School District 68

Request for Input Regarding Proposal to Reduce the Size of the Board of School Trustees

Moved and seconded:

CS 2014-206

That Council advise the Board of School Trustees of School District 68 that it supports the proposal to reduce the size of the Board

from nine Trustees to seven, as outlined in the correspondence from the School District dated May 7, 2014.

Motion carried.

Councillor Drysdale declared a conflict of interest with the following item due to his employment, and excused himself from the meeting.

**Cliff Fisher, Ladysmith Festival of Lights Society
Municipal Partner for Festival of Lights**

Moved and seconded:

CS 2014-207

That Council advise the Festival of Lights Society that it supports a proposed partnership between the Town of Ladysmith and the Festival of Lights as outlined in the correspondence from the Festival of Lights dated May 22, 2014, for the sole purpose of securing grant funding through the Nanaimo Foundation to build new decoration base pads for the light displays which are erected for the annual "Light Up" event throughout the Town; and further, that Council direct staff to work with the Society to establish the details of this arrangement.

Motion carried.

Councillor Drysdale returned to the meeting.

Councillor D. Paterson declared a conflict of interest with the following agenda item due to his role as project chair, and excused himself from the meeting.

**Duck Paterson, Kinsmen Club of Ladysmith
Request for Joint Application for AgriSpirit Funding**

Moved and seconded:

CS 2014-208

That Council advise the Kinsmen Club of Ladysmith that it supports a proposed partnership between the Town of Ladysmith and the Kinsmen Club as outlined in the correspondence from the Club dated May 31, 2014, for the sole purpose of securing grant funding through the FCC AgriSpirit Fun to replace the playground structure at Transfer Beach; and further, that Council direct staff to work with the Society to establish the details of this arrangement.

Motion carried.

Councillor D. Paterson returned to the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

**Kira Mauriks
Request for Waiver of Trolley Rental Fee**

Moved and seconded:

CS 2014-209

That Council support a reduction of \$100 in the trolley rental fee as requested by Kira Mauriks on behalf of a group of students wishing to rent the Ladysmith Trolley for their prom on June 7, 2014.

Motion withdrawn.

CS 2014-210

Moved and seconded:

That Council not support the request for a reduction or full waiver of the trolley rental fee as requested by Kira Mauriks on behalf of a group of students wishing to rent the Ladysmith Trolley for their prom on June 7, 2014, and the rental reduction policy applies only to not-for-profit organizations.

Motion carried.

**J. Melissa Daniels, Stz'uminus First Nation Health Services
Aboriginal Day Celebration Request for Funding**

CS 2014-211

Moved and seconded:

That Council provide a grant-in-aid of \$750 to Stz'uminus First Nation Health Services in support of Aboriginal Day celebrations, as requested in the correspondence from Melissa Daniels dated May 29, 2014, and that the Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Amendment to Minutes of April 28, 2014 Special Council Meeting

CS 2014-212

Moved and seconded:

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held April 28, 2014 be amended to add the following under financial Plan Deliberations:

Staff advised that they had received confirmation from the Ladysmith Soup Kitchen that their 2014 Grant-in-Aid request is for \$2,000 and that this amount has been included in the final budget recommendation before Council later in the meeting.

Motion carried.

Budget Recommendation

CS 2014-213

Moved and seconded:

That Council approve a transfer of \$200,000 from existing water capital projects to fund additional work for the Water Chlorination Facility Project (currently phased in future years), and that the Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

Motion carried.

Artwork in Council Chambers

Council expressed their appreciation to Councillor D. Paterson for generously providing his artwork by Roy Henry Vickers to be displayed in Council Chambers.

QUESTION PERIOD

Staff confirmed that Council would be advised in advance of considering a grant-in-aid request if there were no funds available to support the request.

Council advised that the results of a report concerning water flows in the proposed Couverdon expansion lands have not yet been received.

A staff report concerning the new and updated Zoning Bylaw will come before Council at the June 16, 2014 meeting while a Public Hearing on the Zoning Bylaw will be held later in the summer. Members of the public are encouraged to continue providing comments on the proposed changes to the Zoning Bylaw.

The Town's collection program for recyclable materials does not apply at this time to commercial establishments.

ADJOURNMENT

CS 2014-214

Moved and seconded:

That this meeting of Council adjourn at 9:29 p.m.

Motion carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor (R. Hutchins)

Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)