

# Town of Ladysmith Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council Monday, January 5, 2015 Council Chambers, City Hall 7:00 PM.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Mayor Aaron Stone Councillor Joe Friesenhan Councillor Duck Paterson Councillor Steve Arnett Councillor Carol Henderson Councillor Cal Fradin Councillor Rob Hutchins

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli John Manson

Sandy Bowden Joanna Winter Erin Anderson

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this regular meeting of Council to order at 7:00

p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved and seconded:

CS 2015-001

That the agenda for the Council Meeting of January 5, 2015 be

approved as amended by the following addition:

11.1 Update on Aggie Hall vandalism

Motion carried.

**MINUTES** 

Moved and seconded:

CS 2015-002

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held November

17, 2014 be approved.

Motion carried.

Moved and seconded:

CS 2015-003

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held December

15, 2014 be approved.

Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** 

Mayor Stone reported that the Heritage Revitalization Advisory

Commission will be producing ten new Statements of Significance for the Community Heritage Register. Heritage Week is February 16

to 22, with a theme of 'Main Street'.

STAFF REPORTS

Schedule for 2015 to 2019 Financial Plan Deliberations

Moved and seconded:

CS 2015-004

That Council reserve the following dates for deliberation of the 2015

to 2019 Financial Plan:

January 19, 2015: Confirmation of Financial Plan Policy and

Objectives

- March 2, 2015: Presentation of the preliminary 2015-2019
   Financial Plan
- March 16, 2015: Determination of the Grants-In-Aid funding
- March 30, 2015: Ongoing Financial Plan discussions (Special Meeting)
- April 20, 2015: Finalize 2015-2019 Financial Plan. Presentation of the 2014 Audited Financial Statements
- May 4, 2015: First three readings of:
  - o 2015-2019 Financial Plan Bylaw
  - 2015 Property Taxation Bylaw
  - 2015 Water Parcel Tax Bylaw
  - o 2015 Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw
- May 11, 2015: Special Meeting to adopt the Financial Plan Bylaw, Property Tax Bylaw, Water Parcel Tax Bylaw and Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw

Motion carried.

# Town of Ladysmith Board of Variance

Moved and seconded:

CS 2015-005

That Council refer the matter regarding the Town of Ladysmith Board of Variance to staff for further consideration of the following:

- Development of guidelines for a Board of Variance to include additional information about the meaning of "minor variance" and "hardship" as contained in the legislation and proposed bylaw
- Inclusion of *Local Government Act* section 901(2) in the proposed Board of Variance Bylaw
- Whether the Board of Variance can be prohibited from holding closed meetings
- Expanding the area for notification of a Board of Variance hearing and persons who have a right to be heard at a hearing from adjacent properties to properties within 60 metres of the subject property in accordance with the notification procedure for Development Variance Permits
- Qualifications for membership on the Board of Variance *Motion carried.*

### **BYLAWS**

Town of Ladysmith Board of Variance Bylaw 2015, No. 1671

Consideration of this item was removed from the agenda pending further consideration of the issue.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Karen Dearlove, Heritage BC

Approval of Funding Contribution for Transfer Beach Interpretive History Pictorial Project

Moved and seconded:

CS 2015-006

That Council:

a) Accept the grant contribution of \$4,000 from the Heritage

Legacy Fund for the development and installation of a permanent interpretive display of the industrial and recreational history of Transfer Beach;

- b) Authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign the Contribution Agreement; and
- c) Amend the Financial Plan accordingly. *Motion carried.*

Joe Barry, Cowichan Valley Regional District CVRD Bylaw No. 3882 – Transit Service Amendment Bylaw, 2014

## Moved and seconded:

## CS 2015-007

That the Town of Ladysmith advise the Cowichan Valley Regional District that it consents to the adoption of CVRD Bylaw No. 3882 - Transit Service Amendment Bylaw, 2014.

Motion carried.

Council requested that representatives of the Cowichan Valley Regional District be invited to meet with Council to discuss transit operations.

### F. Joe Burnett

Town of Ladysmith Representation on Nanaimo Airport Commission

### Moved and seconded:

# CS 2015-008

That Council:

- a) Accept with regret the notice from F. Joe Burnet that he does not intend to seek another term as Town of Ladysmith representative on the Nanaimo Airport Commission, and thank him for his service over the past three years; and
- b) Direct staff to advertise for candidates to represent the Town of Ladysmith on the Nanaimo Airport Commission.

### Motion carried.

### **New Business**

# Vandalism at Aggie Hall

Staff advised Council that new windows to replace those broken by vandals in December 2014 have been ordered. Members of Council suggested that charges be laid and that consideration also be given to a restorative justice approach in determining a penalty for the perpetrators if applicable.

# **World Junior Hockey Championships**

# Moved and seconded:

### CS 2015-009

That Council write to the Canadian National Junior Hockey Team congratulating the team on winning the gold-medal in the 2015 World Junior Hockey Championships.

Motion carried.

**Q**UESTION PERIOD

Members of the audience asked questions of Council concerning the Board of Variance and the Cowichan Regional Transit system.

**A**DJOURNMENT

CS 2015-010

Moved and seconded:

That this meeting of Council adjourn at 8:02 p.m.

Motion carried.

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:** 

Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)

Mayor (A. Stone)