



TOWN OF LADYSMITH
MINUTES OF A REGULAR SESSION OF
THE GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2012
5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Steve Arnett, Chair
Councillor Bill Drysdale
Councillor Duck Paterson

Councillor Jill Dashwood
Mayor Rob Hutchins
Councillor Glenda Patterson

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillor Gord Horth

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli
Felicity Adams
John Manson

Sandy Bowden
Erin Anderson
Joanna Winter

CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Arnett called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

GS 2012-056

It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the Government Services Committee meeting of June 18, 2012 be adopted as circulated.

MINUTES

GS 2012-057

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Government Services Committee meeting held May 22, 2012 be adopted as circulated.

DELEGATIONS

Geoff Millar, Louise McMurray, Film Cowichan

G. Millar and L. McMurray discussed progress made by Film Cowichan in developing guidelines to minimize negative impact of film production on local merchants. Film Cowichan is committed to film and television production as an important contributor to the local economy. Mr. Millar and Ms. McMurray acknowledged that some productions have had significant negative impact on local businesses and that full reparation for the businesses has been difficult to obtain.

Film Cowichan is developing guidelines that could be implemented by all local communities when film production takes place. These will be implemented in the City of Duncan during an upcoming production. G. Millar and L. McMurray will share the draft guidelines with Town staff and work with staff to formalize them.

Committee members requested that G. Millar and L. McMurray provide a written report on the positive and negative financial impact as well as the economic contribution to Ladysmith and the Cowichan Region of the film industry.

STAFF/ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Managers Report

The City Manager and Directors provided a verbal report to the Committee on progress regarding staff work plans and priorities.

Financial Update to May 31, 2012

GS 2012-058 It was moved, seconded and carried that the Financial Plan Update for the Town of Ladysmith to the end of May 2012 be received.

Discussion ensued regarding the declining contribution of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to the costs of running the Community Policing Station.

GS 2012-059 It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee recommend to Council that a letter be written to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police reiterating the importance of the Community Policing Station in supporting the work of and raising community awareness of the role of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Ladysmith, and requesting continued financial support of the program at the same levels as over the past 10 years.

Building Inspector's Report

GS 2012-060 It was moved, seconded and carried that the Building Inspector's Report for May 2012 be received

Trolley Report

GS 2012-061 It was moved, seconded and carried that the Trolley Report for May 2012 be received.

Ladysmith Fire/Rescue Report

GS 2012-062 It was moved, seconded and carried that the Ladysmith Fire/Rescue Report for May 2012 be received.

Coastal Animal Control Services – Pound Report

GS 2012-063 It was moved, seconded and carried that the Pound Report from Coastal Animal Control Services for May 2012 be received.

CORRESPONDENCE

GS 2012-064

Dr. Mary-Lyn Fyfe, Chief Medical Information Officer, Vancouver Island Health Authority

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee recommend to Council that Mayor Hutchins meet with Dr. Mary-Lyn Fyfe regarding a Telehealth Program for the Town of Ladysmith, and that the Mayor consult with the Ladysmith Health Advisory Committee and other citizens involved in promoting a Telehealth initiative in Ladysmith prior to that meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

GS 2012-065

It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting of the Government Services Committee be adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Chair (Councillor S. Arnett)

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)