



LADYSMITH

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF LADYSMITH
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL ON
MONDAY, MAY 2, 2011**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Rob Hutchins
Councillor Jillian Dashwood
Councillor Bruce Whittington

Councillor Steve Arnett
Councillor Lori Evans

Councillor Scott Bastian
Councillor Duck Paterson

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli
Erin Anderson

Sandy Bowden
Joe Friesenhan

Felicity Adams
Joanna Winter

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hutchins called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Hutchins requested Council's consideration of the following change to the agenda:

- To move item 8.1 (Ladysmith Marina Development Variance Permit Application) to the top of the agenda.

2011-191

It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the Council Meeting of May 2, 2011 be adopted as amended.

Councillor Paterson entered the meeting (4:04 p.m.)

**DEVELOPMENT PERMITS /
DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE
PERMITS**

Ladysmith Marina – District Lot 2061; Lease 02114642 (12335 Rocky Creek Road)

The Director of Development Services explained that the purpose of this stage of the development variance application process is to seek Council approval to proceed with statutory notification of the request for a development variance permit. Council is not being asked for approval of the development variance permit at this point.

2011-192

It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be directed to proceed with the statutory notice for Development Variance Permit application 3090-11-02 proposing a height variance for a section of boathouses at the Ladysmith Marina (District Lot 2061, Lease #0114642).

2011-2015 FINANCIAL PLAN

The City Manager and Director of Financial Services presented a proposed financial plan developed in accordance with Council's direction to cap net property tax increases at a maximum of five per cent for residential properties; 3.5 per cent for commercial properties and no increase for industrial properties.

2011-193

It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be directed to include the following items in the 2011 – 2015 Financial Plan for 2011:

- Increase funding from the Development Cost Charges Roads Reserve to \$108,075 for repayment of the First Avenue improvements debt
- Reduce the amount budgeted for Amphitheatre repairs to a total of \$42,000, and carry out a structural risk review before commencing this initiative
- Increase the amount budgeted for fire truck replacement leases and Occupational Health and Safety funding for City Hall, and other minor changes, in the Operations Budget circulated on May 2, 2011

2011-194

It was moved, seconded and carried that the recommendation regarding the establishment of a special tax to fund a sustainable capital expenditure program for a total amount of \$210,000 be deferred to a Special Meeting of Council to take place at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2011, and that Council unanimously consent to waiving notice of the Special Meeting in accordance with Section 127(4) of the Community Charter.

2011-195

It was moved, seconded and carried that a Special Meeting of Council be held at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 5, 2011 to consider the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw for 2011-2015, and related bylaws.

MINUTES

2011-196

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of April 13, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

2011-197

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 18, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

2011-198

It was moved, seconded and carried the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of April 26, 2011 be adopted as amended to record the presence of Councillor Bastian, and to record that

Councillor Whittington was opposed to Resolution 2011-186.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Hutchins proclaimed the month of May 2011 as National Missing Children's Month and May 25, 2011 as National Missing Children's Day.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Staff were requested to research Council resolutions concerning the possible relocation of the Visitor Information Centre to the Ladysmith Train Station.

Government Services Committee Report

2011-199

It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be requested to schedule a seminar for staff of Vancouver Island municipalities on construction practices around existing trees and that the removal of a gingko and four other dead or dying trees in the Ladysmith Arboretum, and their replacement with the same species of trees, be approved.

2011-200

It was moved, seconded and carried that Council enter into a Licence of Occupation and Use Agreement with the Ladysmith Community Gardens Society for the Ladysmith Community Garden / High Street Green on a portion of High Street Park.

2011-201

It was moved, seconded and carried that the matter of the proposed Ladysmith Museum as outlined in the correspondence from the Ladysmith and District Historical Society dated April 5, 2011, be referred to the Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission and to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission.

2011-202

It was moved, seconded and carried that a letter of congratulations and appreciation be sent to the organizers of the highly successful 2011 Islands Celtic Festival in Ladysmith.

STAFF / ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

2011-203

Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission – Morden Mine

It was moved, seconded and carried that a letter be sent to the Friends of Morden Mine to thank them for the presentation to the Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission and to confirm the interest of the Town, as a neighbouring heritage community, in connecting with the organization through the Commission.

Councillor Paterson declared a conflict of interest with following agenda item and left the meeting.

2011-204

Applications for Special Occasion Licences

It was moved, seconded and carried that the following applications for special Occasion Licences be approved:

- Cancer Fundraising Tournament, Ladysmith Kinsmen, May 7, 2011 from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm
- Mid Isle Highlanders Football Games, Ladysmith Kinsmen, Forrest Field, May 21 and 29, June 5, 11, 12, 26
- BC Highland Gathering 2011, Royal Canadian Legion, Aggie Field, June 18, 2011, 12:00 noon to 5:30 p.m.
- Royal Canadian Legion Picnic, Transfer Beach Horseshoe Pitch, September 11, 2011, 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Councillor Paterson returned to the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Karen Fediuk, Kids Walk for Japan – Request for Trolley Service and Use of Park

2011-205

It was moved, seconded and carried that a trolley and driver be provided at no charge in order to shuttle Walk for Japan participants between Transfer Beach and Ecole Davis Road Elementary School, and that Walk for Japan organizers and participants be authorized to use Transfer Beach Park on Friday, May 20, 2011.

BYLAWS

Town of Ladysmith Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission Bylaw 1994, No. 1279, Amendment Bylaw 2011, No. 1760

2011-206

It was moved, seconded and carried that Town of Ladysmith Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission Bylaw 1994, No. 1279, Amendment Bylaw 2011, No. 1760, be read a first, second and third time.

ADJOURNMENT

2011-207

It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting of Council be adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Mayor (R. Hutchins)

Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)