

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LADYSMITH HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL ON AUGUST 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:

Joanna Winter

Ruth Malli Sandy Bowden Felicity Adams

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hutchins called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

2011-338 It was moved, seconded and carried that Council retire into

Executive Session at 6:01 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL The Regular Meeting of Council was reconvened at 7:01 p.m.

Mayor Hutchins requested Council's consideration of the

following addition to the agenda:

Lighting on Steps to Ladysmith Community Marina

2011-339 It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the

Council Meeting of August 2, 2011 be approved as amended.

**MINUTES** 

2011-340 It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the

Regular Meeting of Council held July 18, 2011 be approved as

circulated.

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS / DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMITS

Development Permit Application — McDonald's Restaurants of

Canada Ltd., Lot A, District Lot 43, Oyster District, Plan VIP70526

(370 Davis Road)

2011-341 It was moved, seconded and carried that Development Permit

3060-11-10 be issued to permit renovations and an addition to the McDonald's Restaurant at 370 Davis Road (Lot A, DL 43,

Oyster District, Plan 70526), and that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the Development Permit.

# COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

ORTS	
2011-342	Government Services Committee Recommendations It was moved seconded and carried that the moratorium on BC Hydro Smart Meters proposed by Mary Lowther in her correspondence dated June 29, 2011 be referred to staff for further investigation of concerns regarding smart meters and BC Hydro's responses to those concerns, and that staff report back to the Government Services Committee.
2011-343	It was moved, seconded and carried that the Town of Ladysmith Water Report for 2010 be approved.
2011-344	It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be directed to prepare an amendment to Section 6.12, Water Consumption, of the Town of Ladysmith Building and Plumbing Bylaw 1994, No. 1119 to reduce the average water consumption of a water closet or direct flush urinals from 6 litres per flush cycles to 4.8 litres per flush cycle, and from 3.8 litres per flush cycle to 1.9 litres per flush cycle respectively.
2011-345	It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be requested to prepare a report for the August 2011 Government Services meeting on Council remuneration in other communities of a similar size and that the report also include a history of Council remuneration in Ladysmith.
2011-346	It was moved, seconded and carried that Councillors Arnett, Evans and Whittington be approved to attend the 2011 Convention of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.
2011-347	It was moved, seconded and carried that the proposed public input form and information regarding the Liquid Waste Management Plan be approved in principal subject to a final review by the Liquid Waste Management Committee.
2011-348	It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be requested to investigate and develop recommendations for traffic control options in the 100 block of the Gatacre Street alley, including how to make the speed bump more visible and installing speed limit signs.
2011-349	It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be requested to

report back to the Government Services Committee regarding the definition of 'at large' in the Dog Licencing and Control Bylaw.

# Bike BC — Cycling Infrastructure Partnerships Program (CIPP) — **Bayview Avenue Connector Project**

2011-350

It was moved, seconded and carried that the grant in the amount of \$39,780 from the Bike BC—Cycling Infrastructure Partnerships Program be accepted and that a letter of appreciation be sent to the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, and that the Financial Plan be amended accordingly.

2011-351

It was moved, seconded and carried that up to \$40,000 from the Gas Tax Agreement be included in the 2012 Financial Plan for the Bayview Connector project as the Town's contribution to the Bike BC-Cycling Infrastructure Partnerships grant, and that Council include the Bayview Avenue Connector project on its 2012 project list.

2011-352

It was moved, seconded and carried that a neighbourhood meeting for area residents of the Bayview Avenue Connector Bicycle Plan project be held in 2012 prior to the start of the project, and that funding be included in the 2012 Financial Plan for the meeting, including the presence of the consultants who worked on the Ladysmith Bicycle Plan.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Sylvia MacLeary, Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of British Columbia and Fred Coates, Old Age Pensioners' Organization

Request for Support for UBCM Resolution Regarding Elimination of Medical Services Plan Premiums for Seniors in British Columbia

2011-353

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Town of Ladysmith support in principle the proposed resolution to the 2011 Convention of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding elimination of Medical Services Plan Premiums for seniors in British Columbia, subject to debate on the floor at the convention.

# Graham Bruce, Island Corridor Foundation Request for Ten Year Permissive Property Tax Exemption

It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be requested to review the opportunity for ten- year terms for permissive property tax exemptions for the Island Corridor Foundation and other organizations that currently receive annual property tax exemptions from the Town of Ladysmith.

2011-354

#### **George Weiss**

### Request for Dinghy Launching Site

#### 2011-355

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Rotary Club of Ladysmith be invited to consider opportunities for establishing a dinghy launch in the vicinity of the existing Rotary Boat Launch, in response to the correspondence from George Weiss dated July 20, 2011.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### Light at Top of Steps to Ladysmith Maritime Society

Staff will report back to Council regarding the installation of lights on the stairs to the Ladysmith Community Marina.

# **QUESTION PERIOD**

R. Johnson was advised that the cleanup costs and responsibility for a recent fire at Slack Point have not yet been determined and that a report will be coming to Council once those matters are clarified.

R. Johnson enquired whether Council members believe it is prudent to attend the October 2012 UBCM convention if they have not announced their intention to run in the 2011 municipal election.

R. Johnson was advised that Town bylaws regulate the number of spaces at Coronation Mall.

M. Peterson was advised that staff will provide him with information on previous years' Statement of Financial Information.

M. Peterson was advised that staff are looking into speed limit signs and speed bumps at Transfer Beach.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

2011-356

It was moved, seconded and carried at 7:59 p.m. that the Executive Session of Council be reconvened after a two-minute recess.

#### ARISE AND REPORT

Council arose from Executive Session without report.

#### ADJOURNMENT

2011-357

It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

OFFICIED CORRECT	Mayor (R. Hutchins)
CERTIFIED CORRECT	
Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)	