



TOWN OF LADYSMITH
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Rob Hutchins

Councillor Bill Drysdale

Councillor Glenda Patterson

Councillor Steve Arnett

Councillor Gord Horth

Councillor Jillian Dashwood

Councillor Duck Paterson

STAFF PRESENT

Ruth Malli

Erin Anderson

Sandy Bowden

John Manson

Felicity Adams

Joanna Winter

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hutchins called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

CS 2013-1

It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting retire into Closed Session at 6:15 p.m.

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

AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2013-2

It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting be adopted as circulated.

MINUTES

CS 2013-3

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 17, 2012 be adopted as circulated.

DELEGATIONS

Lawrence Jonson, Marilyn Mattson, B.C. Government Retired Employees Association

Update on Progress Toward Elimination of Medical Services Plan Premiums for B.C. Seniors

L. Jonson and Marilyn Mattson made a brief presentation to Council regarding progress of an initiative by the B.C. Government Retired Employees Association seeking elimination of Medical Services Plan premiums for B.C. Seniors. They thanked Council

for its past support of this initiative and requested ongoing advocacy on this matter. Council members thanked the B.C. Government Retired Employees Association for their efforts and wished them continued success.

Dr. Paul Hasselback, Medical Health Officer, Vancouver Island Health Authority

Health at the Local Level – Report and Update to Council

Dr. P. Hasselback made a presentation to Council on the latest Local Health Area Profile for the Ladysmith area and responded to questions. Dr. Hasselback pointed out that there appears to be a disconnect between the fact that Ladysmith is a vibrant, active, socially conscious community and the life expectancy statistics, adding that further investigation will be necessary. Council thanked Dr. Hasselback for his informative presentation.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Hutchins proclaimed the month of February 2013 as “Heart Month” in the Town of Ladysmith.

**DEVELOPMENT PERMITS
AND DEVELOPMENT
VARIANCE PERMITS**

CS 2013-4

Official Community Plan Amendment and Rezoning Application – Kolk (Lot B, District Lot 56, Oyster District, Plan VIP65504 (340 Second Avenue))

It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be directed to prepare bylaws to amend the Official Community Plan and the Zoning bylaw to permit a five unit townhouse development on the property legally described as Lot B, District Lot 56, Oyster District, Plan VIP65504 (340 Second Avenue) pursuant to:

- A density bonus provision such that the units are built to a high energy efficiency standard;
- A contribution to the community amenity fund
- A commitment to the Michael Ker building designs; and
- Road frontage and boulevard improvements.

CS 2013-5

Proposed Rezoning of Town-owned Land – 1201 and 1251 Christie Road (Lot 7 and Lot 8, DL147, Oyster District, Plan VIP85271)

It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be directed to initiate an Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw amendment for 1201 and 1251 Christie Road (Lot 7 and Lot 8, DL 147, Oyster District, Plan VIP85271) to permit light industrial land use, including the preparation of site, building and landscape design concepts or guidelines to manage the interface with the adjacent residential development and provide for an appropriate entry to the Town.

COUNCIL REPORTS	COMMITTEE	Mayor Hutchins Mayor Hutchins and Warren Jones, Chief Administrator of the Cowichan Valley Regional District, made a brief presentation summarizing the activities and accomplishments of the Regional District in 2012.
		Councillor Horth – Government Services Committee Recommendations
	CS 2013-6	It was moved, seconded and carried that consideration of the proposed Bar Watch program in Ladysmith and the related Good Neighbours Agreement as presented to Council on November 26, 2012 be referred to staff and that staff be directed to review this matter with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to determine if other jurisdictions such as Cowichan Valley Regional District Areas G and H and Regional District of Nanaimo Area A should be included in the agreement.
STAFF / ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS		
	CS 2013-7	Celebrate Canada Day Funding Application Request It was moved, seconded and carried that staff be directed to submit an application for federal funding through Canadian Heritage for funding up to \$5,000 for the organization of events associated with the celebration of Canada Day 2013.
CORRESPONDENCE		Councillor Arnett declared a conflict of interest with the following item and excused himself from the meeting.
		Doug Bell, Ladysmith Maritime Society Sewage Pump-out System at Ladysmith Maritime Society Community Marina
	CS 2013-8	It was moved, seconded and carried that the Town of Ladysmith fund the costs of installing the marine sewage pump-out station at the Ladysmith Maritime Society Community Marina through the Gas Tax Fund, and that an amendment to the Gas Tax Agreement be requested to permit funding of the sewage pump-out system, and that the Financial Plan be amended accordingly.
		Councillor Arnett returned to the meeting.
		J.E. Barry, Cowichan Valley Regional District Community Safety Advisory Commission
	CS 2013-9	It was moved, seconded and carried that Councillor Jill Dashwood be appointed to represent the Town of Ladysmith on the Community Safety Advisory Commission of the Cowichan Valley Regional District for 2013 and 2014.

QUESTION PERIOD

Michael Furlot, Ladysmith Chamber of Commerce, provided Council with a brief update on Chamber of Commerce activities, and presented Council members with “What Am I FOR” buttons promoting the Chamber’s attitude of positivity.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

CS 2013-10

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Regular Session of Council be adjourned at 8:22 p.m. and that the Closed Session be reconvened.

RISE AND REPORT

The Closed Session of Council arose with report on the following item at 8:37 p.m.

- Staff were directed to proceed with the issuance of a public notice for the disposition of Town-owned lands located at 1201 and 1251 Christie Road, in accordance with Section 26 of the Community Charter.

ADJOURNMENT

CS 2013-11

It was moved, seconded and carried that this meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Mayor (R. Hutchins)

Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)