

# Town of Ladysmith Minutes of A Special Meeting of Council Friday, January 29, 2016 1:00 p.m.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

**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 Joanna Winter Felicity Adams Clayton Postings Erin Anderson Kevin Goldfuss

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this Special Meeting of Council to order at 1:00 p.m. and acknowledged the traditional territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-030

That Council approve the agenda for the Special Council meeting of January 29, 2016.

Motion carried.

2016 TO 2020 FINANCIAL PLAN DELIBERATIONS

# Presentation and Discussion – 2016 Budget Overview

The Director of Financial Services gave a presentation on the proposed budget for 2016 and the Financial Plan for 2016 to 2020. The presentation included responses to requests for additional information from the Special Meeting held on January 26, 2016. The proposed budget calls for an increase of 2.17 per cent.

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-031

That Council direct staff to investigate and report back on options for the installation of bollards or other safety improvements to prevent vehicles from running onto sidewalks.

Motion carried.

Council requested that S.Sgt. Ken Brissard of the Ladysmith Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police be invited to attend the February 15, 2016 Council Meeting to discuss the request for an additional administrative support staff position for the detachment.

The following questions were raised by Council and members of the audience:

· Comparisons of detachment staffing costs in communities of a

- similar size to Ladysmith, including Smithers and Vanderhoof
- Options and respective costs to increase pedestrian safety in the vicinity of High Street and Second Avenue
- Options and respective costs for improvements to the crosswalks at the Intersection of First Avenue and High Street

## Moved and seconded:

#### CS 2016-032

That the proposed budget for 2016 be increased to include costs for the development of a bylaw compliance strategy as outlined in the proposed budget.

Motion carried.

Council directed staff to proceed with further developing the 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan as presented, subject to further consideration by Council in response to the additional information requested.

### ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-033

That this meeting of Council adjourn at 3:15 p.m.

Motion carried.

| CERTIFIED CORRECT:            | Mayor (A. Stone) |
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| Corporate Officer (S. Bowden) |                  |