



TOWN OF LADYSMITH
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2016
CALL TO ORDER 5:33 P.M. FOR CLOSED SESSION
CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR OPEN MEETING 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Aaron Stone
Councillor Carol Henderson

Councillor Steve Arnett
Councillor Rob Hutchins

Councillor Joe Friesenhan
Councillor Duck Paterson

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillor Cal Fradin

STAFF PRESENT:

Ruth Malli
Erin Anderson
Joanna Winter

Sandy Bowden
John Manson
Kevin Goldfuss

Felicity Adams
Clayton Postings

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this Meeting of Council to order at 5:33 p.m. in order to retire immediately into Closed Session.

CLOSED MEETING

CS 2016-047

Moved and seconded:

That Council retire into Closed Session at 5:34 p.m. in order to consider the following items in accordance with section 90(1) of the *Community Charter*:

- Land Matter (s. 90(1)(e))
- Shared Services (s. 90(1)(k))
- Municipal Project (s. 90(1)(g))

Motion carried.

RISE AND REPORT

Council rose from Closed Session at 6:49 p.m. without report.

REGULAR OPEN MEETING

Mayor Stone called the Regular Open Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and acknowledged the traditional territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation.

AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2016-048

Moved and seconded:

That Council approve the agenda for the Council meeting of February 15, 2016 with the following additions:

- 10.3. Correspondence regarding *Viki Lyne II* and Derelict Vessels
- 10.4. Moose Hide Campaign
- 10.5. Casino Revenue
- 10.6. Canada 150 Celebrations

Motion carried.

MINUTES

CS 2016-049

Moved and seconded:

That Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held February 1, 2016.

Motion carried.

DELEGATIONS

Ed Nicholson– Ladysmith & District Historical Society

Update on Society's Progress in Meeting Strategic Plan Goals

E. Nicholson gave a presentation summarizing the activities and accomplishments of the Ladysmith and District Historical Society, including the Ladysmith Museum, the Ladysmith Archives, the Industrial Heritage Preservation Committee, and working with Stz'uminus First Nation to integrate the SFN culture and history into the Society's activities. The organization has launched a new website and continues its project to index all plaques and headstones in the Ladysmith Cemetery.

Council expressed appreciation for the commitment of the Ladysmith and District Historical Society and the many volunteer hours dedicated to preserving the community's heritage.

Matt Palmer, Keith Kohut, Koers and Associates Engineering

Recommendations from the Water Filtration System Pilot Project

Consulting engineers K. Kohut and M. Palmer presented a report on water quality studies on the Town's water supply, along with recommendations for a water supply system for the Town that would meet the criteria established by Island Health.

The Director of Infrastructure Services indicated that the estimate of \$13.3 million for construction of the new Water Filtration Plant contained in the 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan was amended to \$14 million as a result of the U.S. exchange rate. Currently, the project has been broken into phases, with \$11 million budgeted in the 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan, and \$3 million after 2020. This recommended allocation will be reviewed during discussions on the 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan.

2016 TO 2020 FINANCIAL PLAN DELIBERATIONS

S/Sgt. Ken Brissard, Royal Canadian Mounted Police

2016 Staffing Levels and Budget

S/Sgt. Ken Brissard, Commander of the Ladysmith Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, provided Council with an overview of detachment staffing needs for 2016, which included a request for an additional administrative support position. This would relieve officers of administrative work and permit them to focus on policing duties.

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-050

That Council direct staff to include funds in the 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan for an additional administrative position at the

Ladysmith Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

AMENDMENT

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-051

That Resolution CS 2016-050 be amended to read as follows:

That Council direct staff to include funds in the 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan for an additional administrative position at the Ladysmith Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, effective July 1, 2016.

Amendment carried.

Motion as amended carried.

Recess

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-052

That this meeting of Council recess at 8:10 p.m. for ten minutes.

Motion carried.

Mayor Stone reconvened the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Draft Financial Plan Document – 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan

The Director of Financial Services presented the full 2016 to 2020 Financial Plan and 2016 budget for Council's consideration. The Financial Plan reflects previous direction and decisions by Council.

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-053

That Council direct staff to include \$24,000 for two summer students in the 2016 budget to assist in maintenance of Town trails.

Motion carried.

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-054

That Council request staff to prepare a report on options to increase the water parcel tax to support capital projects in the water supply system.

Motion carried.

Members of the public enquired about the increase in tax revenue from property assessments and a tax reserve fund.

REPORTS

City Manager's Quarterly Report

Council members enquired about the proposed Watershed Round Table and were advised that a report and draft Terms of Reference will be brought forward for consideration at the March 14, 2016 Municipal Services Committee meeting.

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-055

That Council receive the City Manager's report for the quarter ending December 31, 2015.

Motion carried.

Video Streaming and Archiving of Regular Council Meetings

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-056

That Council direct staff to implement Option Two (a two-camera system) for video streaming and archiving of regular Council meetings as outlined in the staff report from the Director of Corporate Services dated February 5, 2016.

Motion carried.

Management of Bio-Solids (Compost) at the Public Works Yard

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-057

That Council:

1. Direct staff to continue to process bio-solids at the Public Works Yard for the immediate future.
2. Accept a proposal from Transform Compost Systems Ltd. as outlined in their letter dated January 25, 2016, to assist in the management of a capital upgrade project at Public Works to enclose the current bio-solids composting operation in a building.
3. Waive the Purchasing Policy in order to accept a proposal from Transform Compost Systems Ltd. dated January 25, 2016 to assist in the management of a capital upgrade project at the Public Works yard to enclose the bio-solids composting in a building.

Motion carried.

Options for Waste Disposal in the Downtown Core

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-058

That Council refer consideration of options for disposal of waste in the downtown core to the Development Services Department and Ladysmith Downtown Business Association for feedback.

Motion carried.

OPPOSED:

Mayor Stone

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Holland Creek Development

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-059

That Council refer consideration of the land use designation of the Arbutus Hump portion of the Holland Creek Development to the next suitable Council meeting following the Holland Creek Development Public Open House on February 18, 2016.

Motion carried.

BYLAWS

Town of Ladysmith Council Remuneration and Expense Bylaw 2001, No. 1427, Amendment Bylaw (No. 2) 2016, No. 1901

CS 2016-060	<i>Moved and seconded:</i> That Town of Ladysmith Council Remuneration and Expense Bylaw 2001, No. 1427, Amendment Bylaw (No. 2) 2016, No. 1901 be read a first, second and third time. <i>Motion carried.</i>
EXTENSION OF MEETING	OPPOSED: Councillor Friesenhan
	<i>Moved and seconded:</i> That this Regular Meeting of Council proceed beyond 11:00 p.m. in accordance with the Council Procedure Bylaw. <i>Motion carried.</i>
	OPPOSED Councillor Hutchins
CORRESPONDENCE	Carolyn Deakin, City of Port Coquitlam Build Canada Grant Funding Resolution for Federation of Canadian Municipalities
	<i>Moved and seconded:</i> That Council receive and file the correspondence from the City of Port Coquitlam regarding a Build Canada Grant Funding resolution for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities 2016 Annual General Meeting. <i>Motion carried.</i>
NEW BUSINESS	Hanging Baskets and Banners in the Downtown Core
	<i>Moved and seconded:</i> That Council direct staff to explore options for banners that represent the diversity and inclusiveness of the community. <i>Motion carried.</i>
	<i>Moved and seconded:</i> That Council direct staff to proceed with the installation of hanging flower baskets in the downtown core in 2016 and work with community organizations including the Ladysmith and District Arts Council to explore options, including art installations, to replace hanging baskets in the downtown core in 2017. <i>Motion carried.</i>
	Attendance at 2016 Convention, Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities <i>Moved and seconded:</i> That all members of Council be authorized to attend the annual convention of the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities from April 8 to 10, 2016 in Nanaimo, and that accommodation be arranged for Mayor Stone. <i>Motion carried.</i>

Derelict and Abandoned Vessels in Ladysmith Harbour

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-066

That Council send a strongly worded letter to the federal Minister of Transport, Sheila Malcolmson, M.P., and Pamela Goldsmith-Jones, M.P., requesting urgent action on the issue of the *Viki Lyne II* and other derelict and abandoned vessels in Ladysmith Harbour.

Motion carried.

Moose Hide Campaign

Councillor Arnett distributed moose hide badges to Council, staff and members of the public, explaining that the Moose Hide Campaign is a grassroots movement of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal men who are standing up against violence towards women and children.

The following items of new business will be considered at the next Regular Meeting of Council:

10.5. Casino Revenue

10.6. Canada 150 Celebrations

QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the audience enquired about waste disposal in the downtown core, video streaming and archiving of Council meetings and the watershed round table.

ADJOURNMENT

CS 2016-067

Moved and seconded:

That this meeting of Council adjourn at 11:42 p.m.

Motion carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor (A. Stone)

Corporate Officer (S. Bowden)