



TOWN OF LADYSMITH
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016
CALL TO ORDER 5:33 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Aaron Stone
Councillor Joe Friesenhan

Councillor Steve Arnett
Councillor Carol Henderson

Councillor Cal Fradin
Councillor Rob Hutchins

Council Members Absent:

Councillor Duck Paterson

STAFF PRESENT:

Guillermo Ferrero
Joanna Winter

Erin Anderson
Sue Bouma

Geoff Goodall

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this Meeting of Council to order at 5:33 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

CS 2016-336

Moved and seconded:

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

- Appointment to Town Committee - s. 90(1)(a)
- Acquisition and disposition of property - s. 90(1)(e)
- Exempt staff compensation - s. 90(1)(c)

Motion carried.

REGULAR OPEN MEETING

Mayor Stone called this Regular Open Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m., recognizing the traditional territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation, acknowledging 5,500 years of history and stewardship and expressing gratitude to be here.

AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2016-337

Moved and seconded:

That Council approve the agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council as amended by the following additions:

- 10.7. Cowichan Valley Regional District Request for Letter of Support regarding the Completion of the Cowichan Valley Trail – Saltair Connection
- 11.2. BC Rural Dividend Fund Application

Motion carried.

RISE AND REPORT

Council rose from Closed Session at 6:55 p.m. without report.

MINUTES

CS 2016-338

Moved and seconded:

That Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held October 4, 2016.

Motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Stone proclaimed the month of October 2016 as Foster Family Month in the Town of Ladysmith, recognizing and celebrating the families who open their hearts and homes to our most vulnerable, and who play a vital role in helping children and families heal and reconnect.

REPORTS

Low Flush Toilet Rebate

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-339

That Council direct staff to apply the Low Flush Toilet Rebate Program to property owners' utility accounts instead of issuing cheques for the rebate amount.

Motion carried.

Heritage Revitalization Advisory Commission Motion for Canada 150 Community Celebration Committee

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-340

That Council refer the following recommendation to the Canada 150 Ladysmith Community Celebration Committee for consideration and response:

“That the Town fund the purchase of medals or certificates for the recognition of pioneer families as part of the Canada 150 celebrations.”

Motion carried.

BYLAWS

Town of Ladysmith 2017 Permissive Tax Exemptions Bylaw 2016, No. 1915

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-341

That Council adopt Town of Ladysmith 2017 Permissive Tax Exemptions Bylaw 2016, No. 1915.

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

David Burrows

Pruning Trees between Ryan Place and Arbutus Crescent

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-342

That Council direct staff to investigate options to protect views and prevent fire hazards between Ryan Place and Arbutus Crescent as requested by David Burrows in correspondence dated September 30, 2016, and report back to Council.

Motion carried.

Sandra Taylor
Davis Road Traffic Conditions

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-343

That Council direct staff to investigate issues related to speed and safety on Davis Road as requested by Sandra Taylor in correspondence dated September 11, 2016, and return to Council with recommendations for improvement.

Motion carried.

Hon. Peter Fassbender, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development

Ride Sourcing in British Columbia

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-344

That Council receive the Stakeholder Engagement Summary regarding Ride Sourcing in British Columbia for information.

Motion carried.

Robin Francis, Festival of Lights Society

Waiving of Trolley Rental Fee

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-345

That Council direct staff to waive the fees for the use of the Town Trolley and driver from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 24, 2016 for Light-Up, as requested by the Ladysmith Festival of Lights in their correspondence dated September 14, 2016.

Motion carried.

Hon. Todd Stone, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Nominations for New 'Stop of Interest' Signs

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-346

That Council direct staff to consider stops of interest in Ladysmith for potential nomination to the British Columbia's 'Stop of Interest' sign engagement and nomination process and report back to Council prior to December 31, 2016.

Motion carried.

Allan Kaufman

Extension of the Chain Link Fence in Brown Drive Park

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-347

That Council direct staff to investigate the possibility of extending the Town's chain link fence in Brown Drive Park.

Motion carried.

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-348

That Council direct staff to review park closure hours as requested in the correspondence from A. Kaufman dated October 11, 2016.

Motion carried.

Cowichan Valley Regional District Request for Letter of Support regarding the Completion of the Cowichan Valley Trail – Saltair Connection

CS 2016-349

Moved and seconded:

That Council direct staff to provide a letter of support to the Cowichan Valley Regional District for a grant application being made to the BC Rural Dividend Fund Program for completion of the section of the Cowichan Valley Trail (CVT) through Electoral Area G – Saltair/Gulf Islands.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Freedom of Information Coordinator Appointment

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-350

That Council appoint Joanna Winter, Manager of Legislative Services, as Freedom of Information Coordinator for the Town of Ladysmith.

Motion carried.

BC Rural Dividend Fund Application

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-351

That Council authorize the submission of an application to the BC Rural Dividend Program for the Bio-solids Composting Use Business Case and that Council support this project through its duration.

Motion carried.

QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the public asked for clarification regarding park curfews and resolutions related to Brown Drive Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded:

CS 2016-352

That this meeting of Council adjourn at 7:31 p.m.

Motion carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor (A. Stone)

Corporate Officer (J. Winter)