

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2017
CALL TO ORDER 7:01 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Aaron Stone	Councillor Steve Arnett	Councillor Cal Fradin
Councillor Joe Friesenhan	Councillor Carol Henderson	Councillor Rob Hutchins
Councillor Duck Paterson		

STAFF PRESENT:

Guillermo Ferrero	Felicity Adams	Erin Anderson
Geoff Goodall	Clayton Postings	Joanna Winter

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this Meeting of Council to order at 7:01 p.m. recognizing the traditional territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation and the Coast Salish people and expressing gratitude to be here.

AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2017-413

Moved and seconded:

That Council approve the agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council for December 18, 2017.

Motion carried.

MINUTES

CS 2017-414

Moved and seconded:

That Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held December 11, 2017.

Motion carried.

DELEGATION

Kathy Holmes, Arts Council of Ladysmith and District

K. Holmes provided an update for Council on 2017 activities and highlights at the Waterfront Gallery. The gallery is a significant draw to Ladysmith, attracting some 23,000 visitors in 2017. On behalf of the Arts Council, K. Holmes expressed appreciation to Council for its long-standing support and the opportunity to have the gallery and studio space at the Machine Shop Building since 2006.

Council thanked K. Holmes and the Arts Council for their contributions to the culture and economy of Ladysmith.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Budget Workshop

Staff responded to questions from Council regarding the information report provided by the Chief Administrative Officer in response to matters arising from previous budget discussions.

Staff agreed to report back to Council with information regarding repairs carried out on the Holland Creek Trail in 2017 and expenditures made through the Public Relations budget, and to provide the project plan for the Ladysmith Youth Strategy.

CS 2017-415

Moved and seconded:

That Council direct staff to have the Municipal Insurance Association conduct a risk assessment on the culvert trail at the Ladysmith Golf Course prior to determining whether repairs to the trail should be included in the 2018 budget.

Motion carried.

The Director of Financial Services reviewed the information discussed at the previous budget workshop on December 11, 2017, and gave a presentation to Council on the capital budget for 2018.

CS 2017-416

Moved and seconded:

That Council not include new funding for a Development Services Technician position in the budget for 2018.

Motion carried.

OPPOSED: Councillors Arnett and Paterson.

CS 2017-417

Moved and seconded:

That Council direct staff to include in the 2018 to 2022 Financial Plan the General Government capital projects for 2018 as presented.

Motion carried.

CS 2017-418

Moved and seconded:

That Council rescind resolution CS 2017-382, "That Council include in the 2018-2022 Financial Plan funds for the Waterfront Area Plan implementation which includes contracted services, consulting fees and an additional temporary exempt position to project manage the approved Waterfront Area Plan project with the funding to come from Real Property Reserves and Surplus"

MOTION TO REFER:

Moved and seconded:

CS 2017-419

That Council refer consideration of the motion to rescind resolution CS 2017-382 to a future meeting of Council pending further information from staff on the proposed approach and process for Waterfront Area Plan implementation.

Motion defeated.

OPPOSED: All members of Council.

With referral motion CS 2017-419 defeated, Council considered the original motion to rescind resolution CS 2017-418.

Resolution CS 2017-418 defeated.

OPPOSED:

Mayor Stone and Councillors Hutchins, Paterson, Arnett and Henderson.

CS 2017-420

Moved and seconded:

That Council direct staff to cease implementation of the Waterfront Area Plan work as directed by resolution CS 2017-382 (contracted services, consulting fees and an additional temporary exempt position to project manage the approved Waterfront Area Plan project) until Council has had the opportunity to discuss the process for implementation.

Motion carried.

CS 2017-421

Moved and seconded

That Council direct staff to include in the 2018 to 2022 Financial Plan the Development Services projects for 2017 as presented.

Motion carried.

- CS 2017-422** *Moved and seconded:*
That Council direct staff to include in the 2018 to 2022 Financial Plan the following Waterfront Area Plan Implementation projects:
- Subdivision Plan (pre PLA)
 - Transportation Review
 - Servicing Study
 - Economic Partnership
 - Comprehensive Development Agreements
- Motion carried.*
- CS 2017-423** *Moved and seconded:*
That Council:
1. Direct staff to include in the 2018 to 2022 Financial Plan the Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities capital projects for 2017 as presented; and
 2. Provide early budget approval for the following capital projects:
 - Holland Creek Switchback Trail
 - Spray Park Pump
 - Hosting the 2018 BC Summer Game (Facility improvements)
- Motion carried.*
- CS 2017-424** *Moved and seconded:*
That Council direct staff to include in the 2018 to 2022 Financial Plan the Public Works capital projects for 2017 as presented.
Motion carried.
- CS 2017-425** *Moved and seconded:*
That Council provide early budget approval for the following capital projects:
- Rocky Creek Storm
 - Rocky Creek Culvert
 - Holland Creek Bridge Inspection
 - Development Cost Charges Review
 - Equipment Replacement Purchases
 - Clarke Road Storm
 - Storm Water Improvements to Public Works
 - Safety Upgrades to 1st Avenue (bollards)
 - Asset Management (condition assessment)
 - Carpentry Tools and Self Retracting Lifeline & Tripod
- Motion carried.*
- CS 2017-426** *Moved and seconded:*
That Council direct staff to include in the 2018 to 2022 Financial Plan the Water and Sewer capital projects for 2017 as presented.
Motion carried.

CS 2017-427

Moved and seconded:

That Council provide early budget approval for the following Water and Sewer capital projects:

- Compost Skidder
- Gill Road Lift Station
- Holland Lake Vegetation Control
- Stocking Lake Dam Repair
- Water Meter Handheld Reader
- SCADA System & Communications Upgrade

Motion carried.

CS 2017-428

Moved and seconded:

That Council direct staff to set aside 10 per cent of the prior year's municipal tax levy in 2019 through 2022 for General Capital Projects.

Motion carried.

Council directed staff to bring forward the Financial Plan Bylaw when the provincial tax roll has been published.

CS 2017-429

Moved and seconded:

That Council confirm the draft Town of Ladysmith budget for 2018 at \$7,961,111.

Motion carried.

BYLAWS

Town of Ladysmith 2018 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 2017, No. 1946

Moved and seconded:

CS 2017-430

That Council give first, second and third reading to Town of Ladysmith 2018 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 2017, No. 1946.

Motion carried.

Town of Ladysmith Waterworks Regulations Bylaw 1999, No. 1298, Amendment Bylaw 2018, No. 1942

Moved and seconded:

CS 2017-431

That Council adopt Town of Ladysmith Waterworks Regulations Bylaw 1999, No. 1298, Amendment Bylaw 2018, No. 1942.

Motion carried.

Town of Ladysmith Sanitary Sewer Rate Bylaw 1999, No. 1299, Amendment Bylaw 2018, No. 1943

Moved and seconded:

CS 2017-432

That Council adopt Town of Ladysmith Sanitary Sewer Rates Bylaw 1999, No. 1299, Amendment Bylaw 2018, No. 1943.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Waterfront Area Plan Transportation Review and Municipal Servicing Review

Moved and seconded:

CS 2017-433

That Council provide early budget approval for the following two studies to be undertaken in support of the Waterfront Area Plan:

- Transportation Review including a detailed Ludlow Road/TransCanada Highway traffic assessment, including existing and future driveways on Ludlow Road and the potential for a traffic circle at Ludlow Road and Rocky Creek Road
- Municipal Servicing Review

Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE

Peter W. Dabb

Potential Recognition for Owen William Dabb (Bill)

Moved and seconded:

CS 2017-434

That Council add the name Bill Dabb to the list of approved street names as per Policy 5450 A, subject to confirmation of this version of Mr. Dabb's name with the family, and that Council's sympathy and regret at the passing of Mrs. Dabb be conveyed to the family.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mid Isle Soccer Association and Rotary Club of Ladysmith Forrest Field Facility Upgrade Initiative

Moved and seconded:

CS 2017-435

That Council refer the proposal from the Mid Isle Soccer Association and Rotary Club of Ladysmith for upgrades to the Forrest Field facilities to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee for consideration and advice.

Motion carried.

Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) 2018 Convention Resolutions and Executive Committee Nominations

Moved and seconded:

CS 2017-436

That Council receive the information from the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities regarding nominations to the Executive and Proposals for Presentations.

Motion carried.

QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the public thanked Council and staff for their service to the Town and wished them a Merry Christmas.

CLOSED SESSION

CS 2017-437

Moved and seconded:

That, in accordance with section 90(1)(k) of the Community Charter, Council retire into closed session at 9:36 p.m. in order to consider items related to the following:

- negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public

Motion carried unanimously.

RISE AND REPORT

Council rose at 10:45 p.m. without report.

ADJOURNMENT

CS 2017-438

Moved and seconded:

That this Meeting of Council adjourn at 10:45 p.m.

Motion carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor (A. Stone)

Corporate Officer (J. Winter)