



MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, April 8, 2019

5:01 P.M.

Council Chambers, City Hall

Council Members Present:

Mayor Aaron Stone
Councillor Duck Paterson
Councillor Amanda Jacobson
Councillor Rob Johnson

Councillor Tricia McKay
Councillor Marsh Stevens
Councillor Jeff Virtanen

Staff Present:

Guillermo Ferrero
Erin Anderson
Mike Gregory

Joanna Winter
Kim Fowler
Sue Bouma

Also Present:

Staff Sergeant Ken Brissard, Ladysmith
RCMP Detachment

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this Special Meeting of Council to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. CLOSED SESSION

CS 2019-133

That in accordance with section 90 of the Community Charter, Council retire into Closed Session at 5:01 p.m. in order to consider items related to the following:

- Committee Appointments
 - Personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality - section 90 (1)(a)

Motion Carried

3. RISE AND REPORT- Items from Closed Session

Council rose from Closed Session at 5:09 p.m. with report on the following:

Resolution CE 2019-036

That Council endorse the following two appointments to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee:

- Geoff Dean
- Lynda Baker

4. SPECIAL OPEN MEETING

Mayor Stone called this Special Open Meeting of Council to order at 5:13 p.m., recognizing the traditional territory of the Stz'uminus People.

5. AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2019-134

That Council approve the agenda for this April 8, 2019 Special Meeting of Council.

Motion Carried

6. MINUTES

6.1 Minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of Council held April 1, 2019

CS 2019-135

That Council approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of Council held April 1, 2019 as amended to correct the date of the Ladysmith and District Historical Society Annual General Meeting.

Motion Carried

7. REPORTS

7.1 Confirmation Letter – Municipal Policing Expenditure Cap 2019/20

Staff Sergeant Ken Brissard was in attendance to answer Council's questions.

CS 2019-136

That Council:

1. Direct staff to prepare the Confirmation Letter for 2019/2020 confirming the Town of Ladysmith RCMP Detachment member strength of 7.
2. Direct staff to prepare a letter to the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General of BC requesting an additional RCMP member in 2020.

Motion Carried

OPPOSED: Councillor Virtanen

Staff Sergeant Ken Brissard left the meeting.

7.2 Draft Resolution for Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities

CS 2019-137

That Council endorse the following resolution for consideration at the annual general meeting of the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities:

WHEREAS the lack of affordable housing in British Columbia communities is creating a crisis whereby lower income families and individuals are unable to secure appropriate housing and businesses are unable to recruit and retain workers; and

WHEREAS investment in the development of affordable housing by all levels of government will generate significant social and economic returns;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governments of Canada and British Columbia reduce or eliminate the Goods and Services Tax and the Provincial Sales Tax charged on materials purchased for the construction of affordable housing projects in British Columbia communities.

Motion Carried

7.3 Waterfront Area Plan Implementation Update

Kim Fowler, Project Manager, provided Council with highlights of the Waterfront Area Plan implementation.

Council thanked Ms. Fowler for her dedication, recognized the scope of her achievements, and wished her well in the future as she leaves the Town of Ladysmith for a new opportunity.

CS 2019-138

That Council receive for information the report from the Project Manager, Waterfront Area Plan Implementation, on accomplishments to date.

Motion Carried

8. MOTION TO RECESS

CS 2019-139

That Council recess at 5:51 p.m. and reconvene after the Municipal Services Committee meeting.

Motion Carried

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Following Municipal Services Meeting)

Council reconvened at 7:13 p.m.

9.1 Cowichan Attainable Housing Strategy -- Recommendations from Municipal Services Committee

CS 2019-140

That Council approve the following recommendations from the Municipal Services Committee meeting, held April 8, 2019:

That Council:

1. Endorse the Cowichan Attainable Housing Strategy.
2. Join the Cowichan Attainable Housing Strategy Partnership
3. Authorize Mayor Stone to sign the partnership declaration.

Motion Carried

10. ADJOURNMENT

CS 2019-141

That this Special Meeting of Council adjourn at 7:14 p.m.

Motion Carried

Mayor (A. Stone)

Corporate Officer (J. Winter)