



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, November 18, 2019

7:00 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 (via telephone)

Councillor Jeff Virtanen

Staff Present:

Guillermo Ferrero

Erin Anderson

Jake Belobaba

Geoff Goodall

Clayton Postings

Joanna Winter

Sue Bouma

Mike Gregory

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this meeting of Council to order at 5:02 p.m. in order to retire immediately into Closed Session.

2. CLOSED SESSION

CS 2019-363

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

- The receipt of legal advice - section 90(1)(i)
- the provision of a municipal service - section 90(1)(k)

Motion Carried

3. REGULAR MEETING (7:00 P.M.)

Mayor Stone called this Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m., recognizing the traditional territory of the Stz'uminus People.

Mayor Stone also honoured Jenny Van Horne, who passed away on November 17th. He recognized her contributions to the community, commenting on her commitment, her bright energy, her thoughtful analysis and her intelligence. Mayor Stone expressed his deep condolences for Ms. Van Stone's family and friends.

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2019-364

That Council approve the agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council for November 18, 2019.

Motion Carried

5. RISE AND REPORT- Items from Closed Session

Council rose from Closed Session at 5:24 p.m. without report.

6. MINUTES

6.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held November 4, 2019

CS 2019-365

That Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held November 4, 2019.

Motion Carried

7. DELEGATIONS

7.1 Jim Stewart, Old English Car Club: Brits on the Beach 20th Anniversary

Jim Stewart, events coordinator for the Old English Car Club, made a presentation to Council regarding the Brits on the Beach event, held annually at Transfer Beach. Mr. Stewart thanked Council for past grants-in-aid and outlined plans for the 20th anniversary of the event, which will take place in July 2020. He noted that the club plans to apply for a larger grant-in-aid this year to help execute the 20th anniversary celebration.

Council expressed their appreciation for the event and thanked Mr. Stewart for his presentation.

8. PROCLAMATIONS

8.1 Adoption Month

Mayor Stone proclaimed November 2019 as Adoption Awareness month in the Town of Ladysmith, in recognition of the care, compassion and unselfish commitment of British Columbia adoptive families, and to remind citizens that there are many children and sibling groups in the province who are available for adoption.

8.2 National Child Day

Mayor Stone proclaimed November 20, 2019 as National Child Day in the Town of Ladysmith, recognizing the rights of children to be protected and safe from harm, to have access to services, to experience meaningful participation in community life and to have the opportunity to enjoy their childhood.

9. 2020 BUDGET WORKSHOP - WATER AND SEWER UTILITY INTRODUCTION

9.1 Presentation and Council Discussion

Staff gave a presentation that reviewed details of the proposed sewer and water budgets for 2020, and responded to Council's questions.

9.2 Public Input and Questions

There were no questions or input from the public.

10. BYLAWS - OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ZONING

10.1 Development Cost Charges Reduction Bylaw: 314 Buller Street

Councillor Stevens declared a conflict of interest with the following agenda item due to his position on the Building Committee for the Ladysmith Resources Centre Association and excused himself from the meeting.

CS 2019-366

That Council:

1. Give first, second and third readings to Town of Ladysmith Not-for-Profit Rental Housing Development Cost Charges Reduction Bylaw, 2019, No. 2024;

2. Direct staff to delay developing a policy to consider site-specific development cost charge reductions pursuant to Council resolution CS 2019-239 until a housing needs report in accordance with section Division 22 of the *Local Government Act* is received by Council; and
3. Delay repealing Development Cost Charge Reduction Bylaw 1804 until a policy to consider development cost charge reductions pursuant to Council resolution CS 2019-239 is endorsed by Council.

Motion Carried

Councillor Stevens returned to the meeting.

11. COMMITTEE MINUTES

11.1 Minutes of the Community Planning Advisory Committee Meeting held October 30, 2019

Mayor Stone noted that the draft minutes of the October 30, 2019 meeting of the Community Planning Advisory Committee had been provided for information purposes.

12. REPORTS

12.1 Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Child Care Space Creation Program Application

CS 2019-367

That Council:

1. Direct staff to submit an application to the UBCM Child Care Space Creation Program for up to \$1 million for additional child care spaces in the Town of Ladysmith at the Boys and Girls Club of Central Vancouver Island (BCCCVI) building at 220 High Street, and confirm that if successful the Town agrees to manage the delivery of the program as defined within the program requirements;
2. Authorize the Town to enter into a 15 year commitment with the Province of BC to provide child care spaces in the community if the Town is successful in receiving the grant; and
3. Authorize staff to draft a partnership agreement for Council consideration which defines the Town's and BGCCVI's responsibilities and commitments relating to child care services at 220 High Street.

Motion Carried

12.2 Russell Road Construction Costs

CS 2019-368

That Council:

1. Direct staff to increase the budget for the Town's share of Russell Road reconstruction to a total cost of \$151,100 with the additional funds to come from the Infrastructure Reserve; and
2. Direct staff to adjust the 2019 – 2023 Financial Plan accordingly.

Motion Carried

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 Western Forest Products Labour Dispute

CS 2019-369

That Council ratify its electronic endorsement of the letter presented by Vancouver Island Mayors whose communities have been affected by the labour dispute between Western Forest Products and the United Steelworkers Union and support the Mayors' request to urge both parties to bargain in good faith in order to find a resolution.

Motion Carried

14. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

15. ADJOURNMENT

CS 2019-370

That this Regular meeting of Council adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Motion Carried

Mayor (A. Stone)

Corporate Officer (J. Winter)