



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, December 2, 2019

5:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, City Hall

Council Members Present:

Mayor Aaron Stone

Councillor Duck Paterson

Councillor Amanda Jacobson (via
telephone)

Councillor Rob Johnson

Councillor Tricia McKay

Councillor Marsh Stevens

Councillor Jeff Virtanen

Staff Present:

Guillermo Ferrero

Erin Anderson

Jake Belobaba

Geoff Goodall

Clayton Postings

Joanna Winter

Mike Gregory

Sue Bouma

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:03 p.m., recognizing the traditional territory of the Stz'uminus People.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2019-380

That Council approve the agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council for December 2, 2019.

Motion Carried

3. MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held November 25, 2019

CS 2019-381

That Council approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held November 25, 2019.

Motion Carried

4. 2020 BUDGET WORKSHOP - CAPITAL PROJECTS AND HIGHER LEVEL SERVICE REQUESTS

4.1 Presentation and Council Discussion

Staff made a presentation to Council regarding capital projects and higher level service requests for 2020, noting that Council could consider a potential reduction in the RCMP budget based on actual spending compared with the budget for the Town's share of detachment staffing. Staff advised Council that no decision was necessary until the next meeting and provided three different reduction options for their consideration.

4.2 Public Input and Questions

A member of the public enquired about the rationale for long-term borrowing regarding the proposed new firetruck.

4.3 2020 Financial Plan Deliberations – Higher Level Service Requests and General Capital

CS 2019-382

That Council direct staff to include in the 2020-2024 Financial Plan, an increase in the Communications position hours from 20 hours per week to 35 hours per week, starting January 1st, 2020 for an additional amount of \$31,112 in salary, benefits and consumer price index increases.

Motion Carried

CS 2019-383

That Council direct staff to include in the 2020-2024 Financial Plan 2 part-time positions for janitorial services, commencing approximately June 5th, 2020 when the current service contract expire, for an additional amount of \$24,292 in wages, benefits and negotiated wage increase.

Motion Carried

CS 2019-384

That Council direct staff to include in the 2020-2024 Financial Plan a new position of Manager of Facilities, commencing July 1st, 2020, for an additional amount of \$59,485 in salary, benefits and consumer price index increase.

Motion Carried

CS 2019-385

That Council receive for information the preliminary 2020 General Capital Projects list.

Motion Carried

5. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

5.1 Development Permit 3060-19-16: 417 Symonds Street

CS 2019-386

That Council:

1. Issue Development Permit 3060-19-16 to permit the issuance of a building permit for the construction of a two storey coach house on Lot 9 Block 90 Oyster District Plan 703A (417 Symonds Street).
2. Authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign Development Permit 3060-19-16.

Motion Carried

6. REPORTS

6.1 Park Naming Request and Policy

CS 2019-387

That Council direct staff to develop a draft Park Naming Policy and application process for Council's consideration.

Motion Carried

6.2 Water Infrastructure Projects Grant and Borrowing Bylaw

CS 2019-388

That Council direct staff to prepare a borrowing bylaw in the amount of up to \$6,200,000 to support the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program grant application for Water Supply Projects.

Motion Carried

7. BYLAWS

7.1 Bylaw 2023: Adoption of Amendment to Council Procedure Bylaw and 2020 Council Meeting Schedule

CS 2019-389

That Council:

1. Adopt Town of Ladysmith Council Procedure Bylaw 2009, No. 1666, Amendment Bylaw (# 3) 2019, No. 2023;
 2. Confirm that its last meeting of 2019 will be held on Monday, December 16; and
 3. Following adoption of Bylaw 2023, direct staff to advertise the 2020 Council meeting schedule in accordance with the Community Charter:
- Motion Carried*

7.2 Bylaw 2030: Revenue Anticipation Bylaw

CS 2019-390

That Council give first three readings to the 2020 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 2019, No. 2030.

Motion Carried

7.3 Water and Sewer Utility Rates Bylaws

CS 2019-391

That Council give first three readings to:

1. Town of Ladysmith Waterworks Regulations Bylaw 1999, No. 1298, Amendment Bylaw 2019, No. 2032; and
2. Town of Ladysmith Sanitary Sewer Rate Bylaw 1999, No. 1299, Amendment Bylaw 2019, No. 2033.

Motion Carried

8. QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the public enquired about utility rates and future rate increases.

9. ADJOURNMENT

CS 2019-392

That this Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 6:14 p.m.

Motion Carried

Mayor (A. Stone)

Corporate Officer (J. Winter)