



## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 4, 2024

5:30 P.M.

Ladysmith Seniors Centre

630 2nd Avenue

### **Council Members Present:**

Mayor Aaron Stone

Councillor Ray Gourlay

Councillor Amanda Jacobson

Councillor Tricia McKay

Councillor Duck Paterson

Councillor Marsh Stevens

Councillor Jeff Virtanen

### **Staff Present:**

Allison McCarrick

Chris Barfoot

Ryan Bouma

Sue Bouma

Nick Pescod

Andrea Hainrich

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### 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Stone called this Meeting of Council to order at 5:30 p.m., in order to retire immediately into Closed Session.

### 2. **CLOSED SESSION**

#### **CS 2024-120**

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:

- (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for a municipal award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the municipality on condition of anonymity;
- (c) labour/employee relations; and
- (k) 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*

**3. OPEN MEETING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (7:00 P.M.)**

Mayor Stone called this Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:01 p.m., recognizing with gratitude that it was taking place on the unceded territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation.

**4. AGENDA APPROVAL**

**CS 2024-121**

That Council approve the agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council for June 4, 2024.

*Motion Carried*

**5. RISE AND REPORT- Items from Closed Session**

Council rose from Closed Session at 6:37 p.m. without report.

**6. MINUTES**

**6.1 Minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of Council held May 21, 2024**

**CS 2024-122**

That Council approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of Council held May 21, 2024.

*Motion Carried*

**7. DELEGATIONS**

**7.1 Nanaimo Zonta Club**

Andrea Paris, Chair of the Zonta Club of Nanaimo gave a presentation about the organization's commitment to raise awareness about human trafficking and sexual exploitation. She discussed the prevention efforts of the club, particularly in the area of online exploitation of children, and invited Council to attend the club's event on Human Trafficking Awareness Day, February 22, 2025. Mayor Stone thanked Ms. Paris for her presentation, and for her advocacy work with the program.

## **8. COMMITTEE MINUTES**

### **8.1 Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee - May 15, 2024**

#### **CS 2024-123**

That Council receive the minutes of the Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee meeting held May 15, 2024.

*Motion Carried*

## **9. REPORTS**

### **9.1 Award Roberts St. Watermain Tender and Amend Financial Plan**

#### **CS 2024-124**

That Council:

1. Award the Roberts St. Watermain Tender 2024-IS-02 to In the Dirt Contracting Ltd in the amount of \$561,209;
2. Reallocate \$207,505 from the Oyster Bay Watermain project and \$45,000 from the Canada Community Building Fund to the Roberts St. Watermain project; and
3. Amend the 2024-2028 Financial Plan accordingly.

*Motion Carried*

### **9.2 6th Avenue Reconstruction Conceptual Design**

#### **CS 2024-125**

That Council direct staff to:

1. Begin preliminary design of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue road reconstruction at an estimated cost of \$250,000;
2. Present the findings to the Committee of the Whole at a future date; and
3. Amend the 2024-2028 Financial Plan to include the 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Conceptual Design for \$250,000 in General Capital projects with the funding to come from the Infrastructure Reserve.

*Motion Carried*

## **10. BYLAWS**

### **10.1 Bylaw Status Sheet**

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

Councillor Paterson expressed his congratulations to the Ladysmith Royal Canadian Air Cadets 257 Parallel Squadron on their Annual Ceremonial Review held, Sunday, June 2 at the Aggie Hall, and wished them another successful year.

Mayor Stone recognized the Ladysmith Pride Society on their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Pride Celebration, held on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue on Sunday, June 2nd. He expressed his thanks to the vendors and all groups taking part to help make this event a huge success. The town will continue to light up all available public locations in rainbow colours for the month of June in honour of Pride Month.

**12. QUESTION PERIOD**

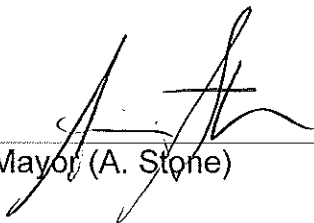
A member of the public asked if the new regulations for bike traffic will affect the road design on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, per item 9.2.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**


**CS 2024-126**

That Council adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:47 p.m.

*Motion Carried*

  
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Mayor (A. Stone)

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Corporate Officer (S. Bouma)