



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, July 2, 2024

6:01 P.M.

Ladysmith Seniors Centre
630 2nd Avenue

Council Members Present:

Mayor Aaron Stone

Councillor Ray Gourlay (*via Zoom*)

Councillor Tricia McKay

Councillor Duck Paterson

Councillor Marsh Stevens (*via Zoom*)

Councillor Jeff Virtanen

Council Members Absent:

Councillor Amanda Jacobson

Staff Present:

Allison McCarrick

Erin Anderson

Chris Barfoot

Sue Bouma

Nick Pescod

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this Meeting of Council to order at 6:01 p.m., in order to retire immediately into Closed Session.

2. CLOSED SESSION

CS 2024-147

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:

- (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 7:00 p.m., recognizing with gratitude that it was taking place on the unceded territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation.

Mayor Stone also recognized Town and Stz'uminus staff and volunteers for organizing the National Indigenous Peoples Day and Canada Day events, both of which were extremely successful and well-attended.

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2024-148

That Council approve the agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council for July 2, 2024.

Motion Carried

5. RISE AND REPORT- Items from Closed Session

Council rose from Closed Session at 6:45 p.m. with report on the following:

CE 2024-055

That Council:

1. Direct staff to authorize the LRCA to use \$10,007.00 of the \$25,091.25 Victim Services surplus funding received from the Town to support the pilot Restorative Justice program; and
2. Rise with report immediately.

Motion Carried

6. MINUTES

6.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held June 18, 2024

CS 2024-149

That Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held June 18, 2024.

Motion Carried

6.2 Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held June 27, 2024

CS 2024-150

That Council approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held June 27, 2024.

Motion Carried

7. DELEGATIONS

7.1 Quentin Goodbody, President, Ladysmith and District Historical Society (LDHS)

Quentin Goodbody, President of the Ladysmith & District Historical Society, provided an operational update to Council. He summarized the Society's many initiatives and accomplishments over the past year.

Mr. Goodbody responded to Council's questions. Council expressed their appreciation for the presentation and thanked him and all the volunteers for their work in the community.

8. COMMITTEE MINUTES

8.1 Public Art Committee - June 6, 2024

CS 2024-151

That Council receive the minutes of the Public Art Committee meeting held June 6, 2024.

Motion Carried

9. REPORTS

9.1 Alternative Approval Process Official Results – New City Hall

CS 2024-152

That Council:

1. Receive the official results of the Alternative Approval Process for “Town of Ladysmith City Hall Loan Authorization Bylaw 2024, No. 2166”; and
2. Formally abandon Bylaw No. 2166.

Motion Carried

10. BYLAWS

10.1 Community Centre Fees and Charges Bylaw 2024, No. 2178

CS 2024-153

That Council give first, second and third readings to “Community Centre Fees and Charges Bylaw 2024, No. 2178” as presented in the July 2, 2024 staff report by the Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture.

Motion Carried

10.2 Bylaw Status Sheet

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 Ladysmith Celebrations Society - Support Royal Canadian Air Force Flyby during Ladysmith Days

CS 2024-154

That Council authorize the Canadian Armed Forces to fly an aircraft as low as 500 feet for transit, practice, and shows during the Ladysmith Days celebrations at Transfer Beach August 3-4, 2024.

Motion Carried

12. NEW BUSINESS

12.1 Community Works Fund Agreement

CS 2024-155

That Council authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign the 2024-2034 UBCM Community Works Fund agreement.

Motion Carried

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13.1 Replacement for Councillors Paterson and Virtanen at the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) 2024 Convention

CS 2024-156

That Council authorize Councillors McKay and Stevens to replace Councillors Paterson and Virtanen as delegates at the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Convention to be held September 16-20, 2024 in Vancouver.

Motion Carried

14. QUESTION PERIOD

A member of the public asked whether Council's decision to abandon the borrowing bylaw for a new City Hall meant that they were also abandoning future plans for the project, how the abandonment of this bylaw would affect the Town's relationship with Catalyst Community Development Society, and who had paid for Catalyst's work to-date.

15. ADJOURNMENT

CS 2024-157

That this Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Motion Carried

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Mayor (A. Stone)

Corporate Officer (S. Bouma)