

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2003 AT 7:00 PM IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT: Mayor McRae, Councillors Chopra, Lord, Mealey, Patterson, Price, and Solda.

A. MINUTES

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| A. 1. | Adoption of
Agenda | Mealey/Patterson
That the agenda be adopted as presented, with the
addition of items C. (ii) 9 Banner for Forestry Week
and F. 8.5 Report from Purchasing Review
Roundtable. | Carried |
| A. 2. | Adoption of
Minutes | Mealey/Lord
That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting
held April 14, 2003 be adopted as circulated. | Carried |

B. DELEGATIONS

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| B. 1. | Hugh Watts of
the Friendship
Lodge | Hugh Watts provided an outline of the services of
the Friendship Lodge Society. | |
| B. 2. | Abbeyfield Port
Alberni - petition
to forgive taxes | Terry Whyte, President of the Abbeyfield Port
Alberni (The Abbeyfield Houses Alberni Valley
Society), presented Council with a request to forgive
the Society taxes on its newly acquired property (Lot
3, District Lot 1, Alberni District, Plan VIP 747444)
for 2003 only. | |
| B. 3. | Vast Educational
Opportunities
Centre - literacy
initiatives | The Clerk indicated that Mr. Tom McEvay of Vast
Educational Opportunities Centre was unable to
attend this evening and will be a delegation at the
May 12, 2002 regular meeting to discuss literacy
initiatives in Port Alberni. | |

C. CORRESPONDENCE

C. (i) PROCLAMATIONS

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| C. (i) 1. | Falun Dafa
Association of
Canada - World
Falun Dafa Day | Chopra/Mealey
That the letter from the Falun Dafa Association of
Canada dated April 23, 2003 requesting that the
week of May 12 to 19 2003 be proclaimed as "World
Falun Dafa Week" in Port Alberni, be received and
filed. | Carried |
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C. (i) 2. ChildFind British Columbia - National Missing Children's Month and Day
Chopra/Mealey
That the letter from Childfind British Columbia dated April 9, 2003 requesting that May 2003 be proclaimed as "National Missing Children's Month" and May 25, 2003 be proclaimed as "National Missing Children's Day" in Port Alberni, be received and the requests approved.
Carried

C. (ii) CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

C. (ii) 1. Abbeyfield Port Alberni - petition to forgive taxes
Chopra/Mealey
That the letter from Abbeyfield Port Alberni dated April 14, 2003 requesting that Council forgive the Society taxes on its newly acquired parkland on Redford Street (Lot 3, District Lot 1, Alberni District, Plan VIP 747444) for 2003 only, along with the report from the City Clerk dated April 24, 2003 be received and the request denied.
Carried

C. (ii) 2. Lorraine Hill - 5 Year Financial Plan, vintage houses for restoration & low-maintenance landscaping
Chopra/Mealey
That the letter from Lorraine Hill congratulating City Council on its recent 5 Year Financial Plan, suggesting that the availability of vintage houses for restoration should be promoted, and offering \$100 towards a monetary prize for the best idea of a design for low-maintenance landscaping be received and a letter of thanks provided.
Carried

C. (ii) 3. Wagg Communications - new radio station in Port Alberni
Patterson/Mealey
That the fax from Russ Wagg of Wagg Communications dated April 15, 2003 requesting that City Council approve a letter of endorsement for his application to begin broadcasting a new radio station in Port Alberni be received and Council confirm that it endorses and welcomes new business to the City.
Carried

C. (ii) 4. Alberni Valley Wrestling - support for 2006 National Cadet/Juvenile Wrestling Championships
Chopra/Mealey
That the letter from Tom McEvay of Alberni Valley Wrestling dated April 15, 2003 advising of a bid package for the 2006 National Cadet/Juvenile Wrestling Championships and requesting a letter of support to be included in the bid package, along with the report from the Director of Parks and Recreation dated April 17, 2003, be received and Council provide a letter of support.
Carried

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| C. (ii) 5. | A.W. Neill Junior Secondary School - Tag Day | Chopra/Mealey
That the letter from A.W. Neill Junior Secondary School dated April 23, 2003 wishing to apply for a Tag Day date of May 31, 2003 for a fund raising event to finance a field trip, be received and the request approved. | Carried |
| C. (ii) 6. | Heart and Stroke Foundation of BC & Yukon - The Big Bike Ride for Stroke | Chopra/Mealey
That the letter from The Heart and Stroke Foundation of BC & Yukon dated April 14, 2003 requesting permission to ride the bike for the "Big Bike Ride for Stroke" to be held on May 29, 2003 from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm in Port Alberni, and advising that the route will start and end at the Victoria Quay, be received and the request approved. | Carried |
| C. (ii) 7. | Keith Smith, Norm Odgers Jewellers Ltd. - extension of Animal Control bylaw to all areas of City re use of dog leash and feces removal | Solda/Mealey
That the letter from Keith Smith, Manager of Norm Odgers Jewellers Ltd., on behalf of downtown merchants dated April 16, 2003, suggesting that the Animal Control bylaw be expanded to cover all areas of the City with respect to using dog leashes and removal of feces, be received and staff directed to prepare the necessary bylaw amendments for Council's consideration. | Carried |
| C. (ii) 8. | CitiFinancial - Business Licence Fees | Chopra/Patterson
That the letter from CitiFinancial dated April 7, 2003 asking about the City's business licence fees for a financial institution, which are much higher than other Vancouver Island Communities, along with the report from the City Clerk dated April 23, 2003 explaining the City's Business Licence Bylaw be received and Council request staff to prepare options for amending the Business Licence Bylaw for consideration of the Audit Committee. | Carried |
| C. (ii) 9. | National Forest Week 2003 - Approval for Banner for Johnston Road | Mealey/Chopra
That the letter from Emma Neill, representing the National Forest Week Organizational Committee dated April 25, 2003 requesting permission to hang a banner on Johnston Road, be received and Council concur with the request. | Carried |

C. (iii) INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

- C. (iii) 1. Patricia Wallace, President, Union of British Columbia Municipalities - AVICC Convention held in Port Alberni Patricia Wallace, President, Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) submitting a letter dated April 10, 2003 thanking Council for the warm welcome extended during her visit to Port Alberni for the Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities (AVICC) annual meeting, and passing along her congratulations to the Convention Committee for a job well done.
- C. (iii) 2. Minister of National Defence - resolution on Iraq The Minister of National Defence submitting a letter dated April 15, 2003 replying to a letter from the City Clerk concerning City Council's resolution on Iraq.
- C. (iii) 3. City of Coquitlam - RCMP Auxiliary Police Program The City of Coquitlam submitting a copy of a letter dated April 7, 2003, to the President of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities advising of a resolution adopted at its April 7th meeting regarding the benefits of the RCMP Auxiliary Police Program.
- C. (iii) 4. BC Transit - funding solutions BC Transit providing a letter dated April 16, 2003 advising that it is maintaining the best possible transit services in the face of increasing costs, and will advise of further recommendations within the next two months.
- C. (iii) 5. District of Fort St James - Police Cost Task Force The District of Fort St. James submitting a copy of a letter dated April 15, 2003 to the President of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding Rural/Small Communities Police Costs.
- C. (iii) 6. Federation of Canadian Municipalities - National Guide for Sustainable Municipal Infrastructure The Federation of Canadian Municipalities submitting a Members Advisory dated April 22, 2003 advising of a National Guide for Sustainable Municipal Infrastructure.

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| C. (iii) 7. | Women and Community Safety Project - Building Safer Communities for Women in BC | The Women and Community Safety Project submitting a newsletter dated February, 2003 about Building Safer Communities for Women in BC.

Mealey/Lord
That the Informational Correspondence Items numbered 1 through 7, be received and filed. | Carried |
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| D. <u>BYLAWS</u> | | | |
| D. 1. | "5 Year Financial Plan Bylaw, 2003 - 2007" - third reading | Chopra/Mealey
That "5 Year Financial Plan Bylaw, 2003 - 2007", Bylaw No. 4517, be now read a third time. | Carried |
| D. 2. | "Tax Rates Bylaw, 2003" - third reading | Chopra/Mealey
That "Tax Rates Bylaw, 2003", Bylaw No. 4518, be now read a third time. | Carried |
| D. 3. | City Clerk - verbal report | Price/Mealey
That the verbal report of the City Clerk providing a summary of the Public Hearing conducted at 5:30 pm this evening to consider Bylaw No. 4519 and Bylaw No. 4520 be received. | Carried |
| D. 4. | "Zoning Text Amendment No. T12 (Waterfront Retail - Elimination of Gross Floor Area) Bylaw" - third Reading and adoption | Price/Patterson
That "Zoning Text Amendment No. T12 (Waterfront Retail - Elimination of Gross Floor Area) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4519, be now read a third time.

Price/Chopra
That "Zoning Text Amendment No. T12 (Waterfront Retail - Elimination of Gross Floor Area) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4519, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Corporate Seal and numbered 4519. | Carried

Carried |
| D. 5. | "Zoning Amendment No. 15 (5405 Argyle Street - former Harbour Sports) Bylaw" - third reading and adoption | Price/Lord
That "Zoning Amendment No. 15 (5405 Argyle Street - former Harbour Sports) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4520, be now read a third time. | Carried |

Price/Lord

That "Zoning Amendment No. 15 (5405 Argyle Street - former Harbour Sports) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4520, be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Corporate Seal and numbered 4520.

Carried

Councillor Mealey cited a perceived conflict of interest as he belongs to a sports team sponsored by the Greenport Hotel and he excused himself from the meeting.

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| D. 6. | "Official Community Plan Amendment No. 24 (4850 Beaver Creek Road - Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw" - first and second reading | Price/Chopra
That "Official Community Plan Amendment No. 24 (4850 Beaver Creek Road - Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4521, be now introduced and read a first time. | Carried |
| | | Price/Chopra
That "Official Community Plan Amendment No. 24 (4850 Beaver Creek Road - Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4521, be now read a second time. | Carried |
| D. 7. | "Zoning Text Amendment No. T13 (Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw" - first and second reading | Price/Chopra
That "Zoning Text Amendment No. T13 (Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4522, be now introduced and read a first time. | Carried |
| | | Price/Solda
That "Zoning Text Amendment No. T13 (Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4522, be now read a second time. | Carried |
| D. 8. | "Zoning Amendment No. 16 (4850 Beaver Creek Road - Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw" - first and second reading | Price/Lord
That "Zoning Amendment No. 16 (4850 Beaver Creek Road - Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4523, be now introduced and read a first time. | Carried |
| | | Price/Patterson
That "Zoning Amendment No. 16 (4850 Beaver Creek Road - Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4523, be now read a second time. | Carried |

Councillor Mealey returned to the meeting.

- D. 9. City Planner - Price/Solda
"Zoning Text Amendment No. T14 (City Wide - Liquor Outlets) Bylaw" That the April 23, 2003 report from the City Planner outlining the properties to be zoned to accommodate liquor retail outlets with the adoption of "Zoning Text Amendment No. T14 (City Wide - Liquor Outlets) Bylaw" be received. Carried

For the Motion: Mayor McRae;
Councillors Lord, Mealey, Patterson, Price, Solda

Against the Motion: Councillor Chopra

- D. 10. "Zoning Text Amendment No. T14 (City Wide - Liquor Outlet) Bylaw" - first and second reading Price/Mealey
That "Zoning Text Amendment No. T14 (City Wide - Liquor Outlet) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4524, be now introduced and read a first time. Carried
- Price/Patterson
That "Zoning Text Amendment No. T14 (City Wide - Liquor Outlet) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4524, be now read a second time. Carried

Councillor Mealey cited a perceived conflict of interest as he belongs to a sports team sponsored by the Greenport Hotel and he excused himself from the meeting.

- D. 11. Setting of a Public Hearing - May 20th, 2003 for Bylaw No(s). 4521, 4522, 4523 and 4524 Price/Solda
That "Official Community Plan Amendment No. 24 (4850 Beaver Creek Road - Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4521 be advanced to a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00 pm in City Hall Council Chambers. Carried

Councillor Mealey returned to the meeting.

Price/Solda
"Zoning Text Amendment No. T13 (Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4522 be advanced to a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00 pm in City Hall Council Chambers. Carried

Patterson/Solda
"Zoning Amendment No. 16 (4850 Beaver Creek Road - Greenport Hotel Redevelopment) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4523 be advanced to a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00 pm in City Hall Council Chambers. Carried

Price/Mealey
"Zoning Text Amendment No. T14 (City Wide - Liquor Outlets) Bylaw", Bylaw No. 4524 be advanced to a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00 pm in City Hall Council Chambers. Carried

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS NIL

F. REPORTS

F. 1. Accounts Chopra/Mealey
That the certification of the Director of Finance dated April 28, 2003 be received and cheques numbered 74207 to 74382 inclusive, in payment of accounts totalling \$417,257.61 be approved. Carried

F. 2. RCMP - monthly report Solda/Patterson
That the report from the Officer in Charge, RCMP Port Alberni Detachment, providing information about departmental operations in March 2003, be received and filed. Carried

F. 3. Parks & Recreation - monthly report Mealey/Patterson
That the report from the Director of Parks and Recreation dated April 22, 2003 providing information about department operations be received and filed. Carried

F. 4. Barclay Capital Corporation - boundary extension to accommodate new mall Chopra/Price
That the report from the City Clerk dated April 14, 2003 in response to Barclay Capital Corporation's request to have the City boundaries extended to include Lots 1 through 3 and Parcel D (Johnston Street & John Road) to accommodate an increase in commercial retail tenants for the development, be received and filed. Carried

- F. 5. City Clerk - lease renewal of First Avenue Property (with Weyerhaeuser) Chopra/Patterson
That, under the Authority of Section 176 (1) (d) of the *Local Government Act*, the City of Port Alberni enter into a lease agreement with Weyerhaeuser that closed up portion of First Avenue in the City of Port Alberni shown outlined in red on Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of the lease, for a three year term for a total rent of \$3, 522.00, and the lease agreement as prepared by staff be approved, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. Carried
- F. 6. City Clerk - Assignment of Lease (Pearce Log Recoveries Ltd.) Chopra/Solda
That, Council for the City of Port Alberni agree to the termination of the lease with Black Diamond Log Salvage and Marine Services Ltd., which was for the purpose to land and "dewater" logs at the Plywood site waterfront onto the newly dedicated water access road created by Plan VIP 5507 to facilitate transfer of the lease to Pearce Log Recoveries Ltd. Carried
- Chopra/Patterson
That, under the Authority of Section 176 (1) (d) of the *Local Government Act*, the City of Port Alberni enter into a lease agreement with Pearce Log Recoveries Ltd. to land and "dewater" logs at the Plywood site waterfront onto the newly dedicated water access road created by Plan VIP 5507, on a month to month basis for a total rent of \$117 per month, and the lease agreement (subject to any recommended changes by the Port Alberni Port Authority) as prepared by staff be approved, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. Carried
- F. 7. City Clerk - Lease of Rollin Art Centre Property to the Community Arts Council of the Alberni Valley Chopra/Solda
That, under the Authority of Section 176 (1) d) of the *Local Government Act*, the City of Port Alberni enter into a lease agreement with the Community Arts Council of the Alberni Valley for Lots 20, 21 and 22, Block 150, District Lot 1, Alberni District, Plan 197B (commonly referred to as the "Rollin Art Centre"), for a twenty year term for a total rent of \$20 for the term, and the lease agreement as prepared by staff be approved, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal. Carried

F. 8.	Mechanical Services Superintendent - Garbage Truck	Patterson/Mealey That the report from the Mechanical Services Superintendent dated April 22, 2003 recommending that we purchase the Sterling/Labrie Garbage Truck from Rollins as tendered, be received and filed.	Carried
F. 8.5.	Councillor Price - Report of the Purchasing Roundtable	Price/Solda That the report of the Purchasing Roundtable dated April 22, 2003 recommending: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That the City provide a letter of apology for the oversight in not providing an opportunity for local Telus outlets to match the bid for the "Mike" Cell phones as supplied by Victoria Mobile Radio.2. That the individuals and businesses attending the roundtable be thanked for their participation and input.3. That local suppliers be advised of the means available to register the availability of their products and services with the City and that this information be made readily available to City staff for their purchasing decisions.4. That it be clarified for staff that service contracts such as the provision of cell phones, are subject to the purchasing policy.5. That staff be encouraged to keep a record of the local consultation process for purchases over \$2,500. be received and Council concur with the recommendations.	Carried
F. 9.	Mayor's Report	The Mayor reported on recent activities and matters of current interest. Mealey/Patterson That the Mayor's report be received.	Carried
F. 10.	Councillors' Reports	The Councillors reported on recent activities related to their various portfolios. Mealey/Patterson That the Councillors' reports be received.	Carried

