



## SUMMARY OF FEBRUARY 11, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING

*This is an information report regarding the most recent meeting of Port Alberni City Council. This is not the official minutes of the meeting. For more information please contact Russell Dyson, City Clerk 720-2810 (e-mail: russell\_dyson@portalberni.ca)*

### ► DELEGATIONS

Sharon Macauley introduced champions from the **Alberni Valley Track Club**. She introduced several track club members ranging in age from 9 – 18, who placed in the top three in provincial meets or were able to accomplish a top ten all time BC best result in their age category.

### ► PROCLAMATIONS

NIL

### ► CORRESPONDENCE

Council received a letter from Richard Pesik and Jana Pesikova-Lehmannova objecting to the proposed **partial reconstruction of 8th Avenue, between China Creek Road and South Crescent**, and requesting the reconstruction follow the same street pattern as is done on 8th Avenue from South Crescent towards the south or by constructing a green zone (boulevard). The City Engineer will meet to discuss their concerns and the City's plans and report back to Council.

Council received a letter from Tricia McAuley, grade 3 and 4 teacher at Haahuupayak School, which included letters and pictures from students concerned about the environment and proposing ideas the City could adopt to help their vision of a "**Dream Port Alberni**". They provided a great deal of thought and work in their project and Mayor McRae will thank them for their efforts.

Council approved an assignment of the lease of **Turtle Island Fish & Chips** located at #12, 5440 Argyle Street (Alberni Harbour Quay) from Craig & Cheryl Peterson to new owners, Irene & John Keil.

Council received an e-mail from Neil Abrahamson, Treasurer, Alberni Athletic Association, requesting a **grant-in-aid in lieu of water use**. Annual water tolls are equivalent to \$870, while only \$114.47 remains in the 2008 Grant in Aid budget. Council approved the request funding the difference from contingency.

Council received a letter from the Beaver Creek Improvement District requesting to enter into an **agreement with the City to provide working alone check-in; rescue from confined spaces and response to chlorine gas incidents**. This will be investigated by City staff.

Council received a letter from Keith Wyton, Save Our Valley Alliance (SOVA), attaching the **Save Our Valley Alliance (SOVA) Response to the Review of the Alberni Forest Industry** and requesting joint support between the City, the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District and SOVA for the approach regarding facilitation as recommended in their report. Council approved in principle this request.

Council received an e-mail from Jen Fisher-Bradley, Women's Food and Water Initiative (WFWI), concerned about the **City's watersheds** and asking for a report from the engineering consultants hired to assess the damage in China Creek due to the landslide. The City Engineer will share the report with the WFWI.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

NIL

**► BYLAWS**

Council adopted "**Community Heritage Commission Bylaw 2008, Bylaw No. 4687**".

Council received the verbal report from the City Clerk outlining input received at the **Public Hearing** held in the Council Chambers at 6:00 pm. **Third reading** was given to "**Zoning Amendment No. 66 (3915 - 10th Avenue - Courtney), Bylaw No. 4686**".

**► REPORTS**

Council received the minutes of the January 28, 2008 **Audit Committee Meeting** and the financial statements ending December 31, 2007.

Council for the City of Port Alberni approved the **2008 tag day allocations** outlined in the report from the City Clerk dated February 6, 2008.

Council for the City of Port Alberni approved **Development Variance Permit No. 64** to vary section 6.1.4 (a) of Port Alberni Zoning Bylaw #4395 as follows: Vary Section 6.1.4 (a) Conditions of Use Side Yard Setbacks from 5 metres to 3.2 meters for the land legally described as (Lot 8, District Lot 45, Alberni District, Plan VIP49714) (3527 Galiano Drive).

Council approved the appointments of the **City Clerk, Russell Dyson, as Chief Election Officer, and Tanya Meek as Deputy Chief Election Officer** for the November 15, 2008 general municipal election.

Council for the City of Port Alberni approved the 2008 Sewer Capital project, **Argyle Pump Station Emergency Bypass Connection** for \$62,000.

**► DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Monthly reports were received from the **City Engineer, City Planner, RCMP** and the **Fire Department**.

*Should you have any questions or require any further information,  
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