



CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

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COUNCIL SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held December 14, 2009. This is not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the City Clerk at 250-720-2810 or e-mail: russell_dyson@portalberni.ca

■ DELEGATIONS

Make Children First 2010 Calendars

Tracy Smyth presented the "Make Children First" calendars and invited Council to a presentation about their Early Development Indication research results on February 8, 2010.

Alberni Valley Full of Wonders

Anne Ostwald's Grade 10 Socials Class presented their project to promote the City of Port Alberni and the Valley's many wonders. They are organizing a billboard on Highway 19. Council will support the project and help with their logistics.

Joe Krizek on Ice

Mr. Krizek described a close call on Loon Lake when he fell through the ice. He credited the quick actions of a number of City residents for saving his life, including Desi and Lucas Jack and Charlie Williams.

■ CORRESPONDENCE

Brownfield and Program Development

Council entered into a Brownfield Renewal Funding Program Contribution Agreement. This funding was available from the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands - Crown Land Restoration Branch and will be used for the former plywood site.

Award Nominations

The City is calling for nominations for the 2010 Paul Yuzyk Award for Multiculturalism that acknowledges and honours individuals who have made exceptional contributions to multiculturalism and diversity, and the 2010 "Courage To Come Back" awards, a province-wide campaign that celebrates ordinary people who have demonstrated extraordinary courage in their recovery from adversity. Information is available from the city's website:

www.portalberni.ca

Parking Space Requests

John Paul II Catholic School, the Ministry of Housing and Social Development, and Ministry of Children and Families, all located on 8th Avenue, have requested that the City change the parking in the vicinity from parallel to angle.

Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC)

Council will work with the City Clerk to prepare resolutions for the 2010 AVICC Annual General Meeting & Convention.

City of Burnaby

Council received a letter from the City of Burnaby providing a copy of their letter to the Solicitor General expressing concern and requesting an urgent review of both the costs and governance structure of PRIME – an RCMP filing resource.

5355 Cherry Creek Road, Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) Exclusion Application

Letters were received from Jen Fisher-Bradley and Dorsey & Joan Cunliffe opposing the City's application to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) to exclude 5355 Cherry Creek Road from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). These letters will be forwarded to the ALC with the City's application.

■ BYLAWS

4003 Johnston Road Rezoning

Council held a Public Hearing to consider the rezoning of property at 4003 Johnston Road to accommodate conversion of an existing residence into commercial office space - "Zoning Amendment No. 79 (4003 Johnston Road – Deluca), Bylaw No. 4735". Third reading to the bylaw was defeated.

Summary report of the December 3, 2009

Advisory Planning Commission meeting

Council received recommendations from the Advisory Planning Commission to proceed conditionally with the rezoning of property at Tomswood Road, east of AW Neill School.

■ REPORTS

New Agreement for Franklin River Road Fire Protection

Council will enter an agreement with the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District to enable the Port Alberni Fire Department to provide fire protection services to the Franklin River Road Service Area.

Argyle Street - Rotary Arts Project

The Arrowsmith Rotary Club is proposing to create an "Arts District" along Argyle Street between Alberni Harbour Quay and the Rollin Arts Centre. Council has provided it's support in principle to the project.

Interest in City Owned Lands - 6th and Wallace Street for a BMX Bike Track

A local non-profit group is interested in occupying the City owned lands at 6th and Wallace to develop the property into a BMX Bike Track. A public consultation meeting will be undertaken in the New Year.

Council Summary

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including all correspondence and reports are available at www.portalberni.ca Generally these are posted the Friday before each regular Council meeting and are archived on the site.

MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Thursday, December 17

- 12:00 pm @ Committee Room
Advisory Planning Commission

Monday, December 21

- 5:00 pm @ Council Chambers
Public Hearing

Tuesday, December 29

- 12:00 pm @ Council Chambers
Special Meeting

Monday, January 11

- 7:00 pm @ Council Chambers
Regular Council Meeting