



# CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

Mayor Ken McRae, Councillors Hira Chopra, John Douglas,  
Jack McLeman, Ike Patterson, Cindy Solda and Kenn Whiteman

## COUNCIL SUMMARY

*An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held March 14, 2011.  
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The Mayor acknowledged the recent passing of Pat Cummings who was well known in the community. On behalf of Council, the Mayor also extended sympathy to the family of Bryan Mason. Bryan lost his life on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

The City has received an email from Shinko Tsunoda advising that the people of Abashiri are safe following last week's earthquake and tsunami.

### • DELEGATIONS

#### **Introduction of Bylaw Enforcement/Business Licence Inspector**

The Mayor conducted the official swearing in of Tim Hautzinger.

#### **West Coast Aquatic**

Jake Martens of West Coast Aquatic presented an update on their achievements over the past year.

#### **Alberni Valley Social Planning Council**

In attendance to address additional gaming revenues and providing a proposal to work with the City to determine a process for distribution of these funds. Council directed that staff bring back a report on how this might work.

#### **Kuu-us – Acquisition of Armoury Building**

Kuu-us presented information requested by Council, including support from the AVCSI Committee for their proposed acquisition of the Johnston Road Armoury Buildings as well as letters of support from the majority of the surrounding businesses. Council provided their support for the project.

### • PROCLAMATIONS

April is Canadian Cancer Society's Daffodil Month and April 27<sup>th</sup> is "Daffodil Day" in Port Alberni

May 15 to 21, 2011 is "National Public Works Week" in Port Alberni

### • CORRESPONDENCE

#### **Valley Street Rods Car Club**

Council concurred with the use of the Harbour Quay for the Annual Thunder in the Valley Car Show event on August 5, 2011, and closure to

regular traffic to the Harbour Quay from 2:00 pm until 10:00 pm to accommodate the event.

#### **Alberni Valley Community School**

Council will endeavour to participate in Family Literacy Nights at local elementary schools to be held March through November.

#### **City of Burnaby**

Council supported the City of Burnaby's resolution for municipalities to contact the province regarding the present state of the province's support for heritage programs and services.

#### **BC Hydro**

Council encourages the community to celebrate "Earth Hour" on March 26, 2011 by turning out lights from 8:30 pm to 9:30 pm.

#### **Alberni District Secondary School**

Council granted the use of City streets and traffic control for a Grad Parade on Thursday, June 30, 2011 from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm prior to graduation ceremonies.

#### **ADSS Student – Poverty & Garbage concerns**

Council received a copy of a letter from ADSS student, Jessica Hawco, to the Chamber of Commerce expressing concern regarding poverty and garbage. The Engineer was directed to provide a response.

#### **Port Alberni Twinning Society**

Council granted a request from the Port Alberni Twinning Society to change the use of their Tag Days on April 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> to raise funds instead for earthquake relief in Japan. More information regarding additional fundraising efforts will be forthcoming.

### • BYLAWS

Council adopted "Solid Waste Collection and Disposal, Bylaw No. 4765". Note changes to the garbage collection will be effective April 1<sup>st</sup> – one can weekly – front street pickup.

"Zoning Amendment No. 89 (3969 Compton Road – Power), Bylaw No. 4767"

Following a Public Hearing at 1:30 p.m. Council provided third reading to Bylaw No. 4767.

Council provided first and second read to "Zoning Amendment No. 90 (4130 Steede Avenue - Chahal), Bylaw No. 4768" as well as set a Public Hearing date for the application on April 11, 2011 at 1:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

## ● REPORTS

### **Alberni Harbour Quay – Market Square**

Council for the City of Port Alberni has leased the Market Square area of the Alberni Harbour Quay to the Port Alberni Farmer's Market Society for a three year term.

### **Five Year Financial Plan 2011 – 2015**

Council was provided with an Updated Draft Five Year Financial Plan 2011 – 2015, a Summary of the Plan on a year by year basis and a Summary of major changes to the Plan since the first draft in January.

**Manager of Human Resources & Community Development** provided information on the number of casual and part time employees working for the City and the potential for use of Apprenticeship Programs, as requested by Council.

### **Community Gaming Funds Allocation**

Council directed staff to allocate \$60,000 of estimated anticipated additional gaming revenue to Parks and Recreation Aquatic Centre facility operations; \$30,000 to fund part-time clerical staff to assist the Economic Development Manager; and \$24,000 to Community Development initiatives, for a total estimated allocation of \$114,000 in the proposed draft 2011-2015 Five Year Financial Plan.

Council provided no additional direction regarding the 5 year Plan therefore the Financial Plan Bylaws will be brought forward to the next regular meeting.

### **Front Street Garbage Collection**

The City Engineer provided an informational report regarding the need for front street garbage collection as requested by Council.

### **Liquor Licence Application – Boston Pizza**

Council endorsed the Liquor Licence application for Boston Pizza. No comments were received from the public.

### **Liquor Licence Application – Capitol Theatre**

The Portal Players Dramatic Society operating at the Capitol Theatre have applied for a Liquor primary License. Staff will now proceed to solicit public input.

### **Aquatic Centre Feasibility Study**

Council directed staff to proceed with a feasibility study for the development of a new of upgraded aquatic centre at a cost of \$24,000 funded from Land Sale Reserves.

### **Development Permit No. 11-03**

#### **3500, 3498 and 3486 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue (Garkut)**

Council approved a Development Permit for 3500, 3498 and 3486 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to facilitate the replacement of several existing mini storage units with more permanent mini storage units.

### **Water Capital Works Early Approval**

Council approved water capital works projects.

### **City Pins**

Council authorized staff to provide City pins at their discretion and that funding for purchase of City pins be included in future Financial Plans.

### **Strata Conversion Application**

Council approved the conversion of 3855 – 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue to a building strata plan subject to the receipt of security in the amount of \$20,000.00 for required remedial work. Council approval is valid for no more than 2 years.

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## MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

### **Thu. Mar 17**

12:00 pm - Advisory Planning Commission Meeting  
@ Committee Room

### **Mon. Mar. 21**

1:00 pm – Special In-Camera Meeting

### **Wed. Apr 6**

7:00 pm Museum and Heritage Commission Meeting  
@ Alberni Valley Museum

### **Mon. Apr 11**

2:00 pm Regular Council Meeting  
@ Council Chambers