



## SUMMARY OF NOVEMBER 24, 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 250-720-2810 (e-mail: russell\_dyson@portalberni.ca)*

### ► DELEGATIONS

Donna Brett provided information regarding the **Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay** noting that there will be a flag raising at Alberni Harbour Quay at 12 noon on Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>.

At the request of Council, Crystal McMillan of the **Alberni Valley Bear Smart Committee**, provided an update on the Committee's education initiatives.

Tracy Smyth from the **"Make Children First Network"** presented Council with their 2009 Port Alberni Family Calendar.

### ► PROCLAMATIONS

Nil

### ► CORRESPONDENCE

Council received an e-mail from FCM Marketplace advising of a report called **"What Sport Can Do: The True Sport Report"**

Council received a letter from **Kin Canada** advising of their role in Canadian Society which is fund-raising for worthy causes,

Council received an e-mail from Pamela Day requesting more **environmentally and neighbour friendly solutions than planting grass on new City boulevards**. The matter was referred to the Director of Parks and Recreation for consideration.

Councillor John Douglas was authorized attendance at the **Local Government Leadership Academy's** seminar for new and returning elected officials in Parksville from January 28 to 30, 2009.

Council received a fax from **The Ink Spot** advising they have competitively-priced imaging supplies for printers and fax machines and requesting an **opportunity to quote on the City's inks and toners**. The matter was forwarded to the Manager of Information Technology for future consideration.

**Correspondence** was received regarding the **site for the new High School** from:

- a) Richard Berg (e-mail dated November 10, 2008) suggesting Echo Minor would be a better site for a new ADSS.
- b) Charlene Yeo (e-mail dated November 7, 2008) suggesting we have a good site for the new school in the existing location.
- c) Carolyn Jasken (e-mail dated November 10, 2008) stating the decision to move a high school to 10th and Roger area should never have been allowed to pass and suggesting Echo Minor would be a better location.
- d) Danny Jones/Residents of Echo Woods (letter dated November 18, 2008) asking Council to quash the relocation of the new high school on Roger Street and giving reasons.

The correspondence will be forwarded to SD70.

### **► UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Council received a letter from the **KUU-US Crisis Line Society** requesting sponsorship in the amount of a registration fee of \$100; Christmas tree lights and decorations for its fundraiser the "**Festival of Trees**", for a tree that will be donated to a family for Christmas, and approved the request advising that Council will participate at no cost to the City.

### **► BYLAWS**

Council adopted "**Zoning Amendment No. 60 (5700 Pierce Road and 5578 Beaver Creek Road - Venier), Bylaw No. 4617**" and "**Zoning Text Amendment No. 23 (Mobile Home Side yard Setback - Venier), Bylaw No. 4618**".

### **► REPORTS**

Council approved a report from the City Manager advising of a joint Council/Board Orientation Workshop organized between Port Alberni, Ucluelet, Tofino, Sayward and the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District on "**Building Better Decision-Making Bodies**" and "**Effective Governance for New Councils**" on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at Echo Centre.

The Director of Parks and Recreation will proceed with an application to the Union of British Columbia (UBCM) **Community Tourism** in the amount of \$54,531 to support the supply and installation of **seasonal permanent street banners**.

Council tabled a report from the Manager of Economic Development regarding allocating funds to hire a coordinator to ensure **cruise ship lines** have a good quantity and quality of **excursion packages** to choose from and requested that the CEO of Port Alberni Port Authority be invited to attend Council's next regular meeting to discuss negotiations with the Canada Border Services Agency.

### **► DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Monthly reports were received from the **City Engineer**, the **Director of the Alberni Valley Museum**, the **Director of Parks and Recreation** and the **Economic Development Manager**.

### **► OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

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