



CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

Mayor John Douglas, Councillors Hira Chopra, Jack McLeman,
Cindy Solda, Rob Cole, Dan Washington and Wendy Lee Kerr

COUNCIL SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held December 12th, 2011. This is not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the City Clerk at 250-720-2810 or e-mail: davina_sparrow@portalberni.ca

■ DELEGATIONS

Melissa Netzer

In attendance to discuss the need to have a full time CT Machine in Port Alberni. Council referred further discussion with regards to additional funding to the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District's Community Health Network.

Alberni Environmental Coalition

In attendance to discuss concerns regarding logging on McLaughlin Ridge in the City's watershed. Island Timberlands will attend a Council meeting in February to provide information regarding logging practices. Council also requested they discuss policy regarding slash burning and logging on the west side on the inlet (Arbutus Ridge).

Tom Weegar and Lorna Crowshaw

In attendance to discuss enrolment and provide information and updates regarding North Island College. They also discussed the Practical Nurse (PN) Program which has been changed from a one year certificate program to a 2 year diploma program and the resulting increase in fees. Council will write to the Ministry of Advanced Education expressing concern with the amount of the increase.

■ PROCLAMATIONS

BC Water & Waste Association

Council proclaimed May 13 – 19th "**Drinking Water Week 2012**" in Port Alberni. They further added that there be no bottled water at City functions during that week.

■ CORRESPONDENCE

2012 Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities

Information was received regarding the 2012 Annual General Meeting & Convention. Council will work with staff to prepare Resolutions that Council would like to bring forward. Councillor Solda will be nominated for a Director's position on the Executive.

North Island – Practical Nursing Diploma Program

Council received a letter from J. Lindsay, President and CEO of North Island College providing information regarding the new Practical Nursing Diploma program and subsequent fee increase. Council also received an email from Chris Castro, Chairperson, North Island Students' Union requesting that they collaborate with them on a letter expressing disappointment with college actions (see note under delegations).

Union of BC Municipalities

Council received a memo inviting nominations for the 2011/2012 UBCM Executive.

Tseshah First Nation

A mutually convenient date will be arranged to meet with Tseshah First Nation Council as requested.

■ UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Financial Software Request for Proposals

Council received the report from the Manger of Information Services and concurred with the recommendation to award the ERP and Financial Software System to Brilliant Technologies Inc. for the purchase of Microsoft GP Dynamics system software with \$350,000 from the 2011-2015 Five Year Financial Plan with the remaining funds coming from the ERRF.

Council also authorized staff to enter into a contract with Crystal Clean Resources Inc. to undertake project management for design and implementation of the ERP and Financial Software System for a price not more than \$75,000.

■ REPORTS

Tag Days

Council approved the tag day allocations for 2012 as presented.

Arena Parcel Tax Court of Revision for 2012

The Court of Revision will meet at 10:00am on March 19, 2012 in Council Chambers to deal with complaints respecting the assessment roll and authentication of the assessment roll for the Arena Parcel Tax.

Debt Repayment & Interest Query

Council received an email from Ted McGill and a report from the Director of Finance responding to concerns presented.

RCMP Boiler Replacement

Council approved \$90,000 in funding from the Land Sales Reserve account for the replacement of the heating supply boilers at the RCMP building.

The City Manager will write to the manufacturer/suppliers expressing disappointment and looking to recoup some funding.

Pool Feasibility Study

Council received a report from the Director of Parks & Recreation as well as the "Echo Aquatic Centre Feasibility Study"

Request for Proposals SAN Project

Council received the report from the Manager of Information Services dated December 8th and approved the recommendation to purchase a Nimble Storage CS260G from Myra Systems Corporation for \$104,480 before taxes with funding from ERRF.

Departmental Reports

Council received reports from the Engineering, Planning, Fire and Human Resources Departments as well as the RCMP.

Notice of Motion

Councillor Chopra provided a notice of motion for the next meeting regarding former Prime Minister Kim Campbell who was born in Port Alberni with regards to finding out information about her family for the upcoming Centennial celebrations.

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MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Thurs. Dec 15 @12:00pm
*Advisory Planning Commission Meeting @
Committee Room*

Wed. Jan 4. 5:30pm
*Alberni Valley Museum and Heritage
Committee Meeting @ Alberni Valley Museum*

Mon. Jan. 9 7:00pm
*Regular Meeting of Council @ Council
Chambers*