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CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

Alberni Valley Museum
and Heritage Commission



Wednesday, May 4, 2022
7:00pm → Rollin Art Centre

Minutes

Attending:
Bert Simpson
Claudia Romaniuk
Dan Washington
Don Jones
Don Mallon
Gareth Flostrand
Penny Cote
Willa Thorpe (staff)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council	<input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks, Rec. & Heritage
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance	<input type="checkbox"/> Development Services
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporate Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Safety
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agenda	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <i>Com Summary</i>
File #	<i>Rcm June 13, 22</i> <i>0360-20-AMHC</i>

Regrets:
Bill Collette
Colin Schult
Ed Ross
Ken Watson
Pam Craig

Called to order: 7:02pm

1. Bert Simpson is retiring from the Heritage Commission (Industrial Heritage Society); Don Mallon is replacing Bert.
2. Moved by Don M. that the minutes of the April 6, 2022 meeting be approved as circulated.
3. Old Business
 - a. Train Station update
 - i. The site visit for prospective tenants was April 25
 - ii. The RFP closes on June 17
4. Correspondence – none
5. New Business – none
6. Reports
 - a. Community Arts Council
 - i. Gallery Exhibits
 1. April 27 – May 20 ECEBC [Early Childhood Educators] Port Alberni Branch/Connections “Moments in Time”, Looking through the world through our children's eyes. The art is done by children up to 5 years of age and their teachers.
 2. May 25 – June 18 Spring – open Art Exhibit – Group Exhibit



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ii. Workshops

1. June 1 -2 Ionne McCauley, a 2-day workshop on Watercolours.
10Am to 4pm each day.
 2. May 12 and 13 free workshop by Creative Coast in partnership with the Community Arts Council. The workshop is intended to give artists more access to digital resources to amplify their own art.
- iii. Book Sale Friday May 6, 6pm to 8pm, and Saturday May 7, 9am to 3pm at the Athletic Hall. We have been offered a double container by the San Group to store our left-over books until the fall. September 18, 9am to 3pm – second book sale due to large numbers of books.
- iv. Teas on the Terrace -At this time, we are planning for two teas in July, and two in August.
- v. Solstice Arts Festival to take place in mid-June.

b. Regional District



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ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT AROUND THE REGION

Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors Meetings April 2022

APRIL 13 MEETING

10 YEARS OF WORKING TOGETHER

The Board hosted a celebration at the beginning of their meeting to recognize the 10th anniversary of when Huu-ay-sht and Yuulu?i?ath join the Board as full voting members. Each nation was presented with a carving to recognize this important milestone.

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A delegation from KMPG presented the audited financial statements for the year that ended on December 31, 2021.

The Board later approved the 2021 Audited Financial Statements for the ACRD.

COMMUNITY WORKS FUND CONTRIBUTION

The Board approved the Letter of Understanding with the Beaver Creek Community Club to increase the Community Works Funding from \$28,000 to \$76,000 to upgrade the Community Hall for cultural purposes.



ACRD Chair John Jack presented (above) Board Director Al McCarthy and Yuulu?i?ath President Chuck McCarthy and Huu-ay-sht Chief Councillor Robert J. Dennis Sr. left a gift to local carver Hipolite Williams.

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they helped each other...

ALBERNI VALLEY REGATTA ASSOCIATION

The Board issued a noise exemption permit for the Alberni Valley Regatta Association for their regatta on July 8, 9, and 10, 2022 from 9 am to 5 pm.

EXTENDED TIPPING FEES FOR CLEAN-UP

The Board approved a one-year extension of a pilot project to receive up to 650 tonnes of coastal clean-up materials at the two landfills at a rate of \$175/tonne from the Coastal Restoration Society.

APRIL 27 MEETING

CONCERNS OVER RECYCLING DEPOT HOURS

The Board directed staff to send a letter to Recycle BC expressing concern over the reduction of hours at the Ucluelet and Tofino recycling depots.

MILLSTREAM WATER RATES AND REGULATIONS

The Board adopted the Millstream Local Service Area Rates and Regulations Amendments Bylaw, a quarterly rate increase of \$20 per parcel, effective July 1, 2022.

SALMON BEACH ROAD MAINTENANCE WORK

The Board authorized staff to undertake a Request for Quotation for the procurement of the Salmon Beach Road Maintenance for a one- to three-year term.

ZONING BYLAW REVIEW PROJECT TIMELINE

The Board endorsed the timeline for the Zoning Bylaw Review Project. They stressed the importance of ensuring each electoral area has an opportunity to equally share their input. For more information, go to [Zoning Bylaw Review \(acrd.bc.ca\)](https://www.alberni-clayoquot.ca/zoning).

Share your opinion on the Maplehurst Park Plan

The ACRD will be hosting an open house to discuss the results of a recent survey conducted on the Maplehurst Park Plan. Come to the open house to hear draft recommendations for the plan and share your input on the future of this Alberni Valley trail.

May 18, 2022 - 4 to 7 pm Cherry Creek Hall

For details, go to www.letsconnectacrd.ca/maplehurst-pmp. If you have any questions, call 250-720-2700 or me@acrd.bc.ca

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Input on upcoming meetings may be emailed to: responses@acrd.bc.ca

Alberni Valley and Bamfield Services Committee - May 4, 10 am; Boardroom/Zoom

Board of Directors - May 11, 1:30 pm, followed by the Regional Hospital District, ACRD Boardroom/Zoom

Board of Directors - May 25, 1:30 pm; Boardroom/Zoom

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair: John Jack
Huu-ay-sht First Nations

Vice-Chair: John McNabb
Electoral Area "E" Beaver Creek

Director Bob Beckett
Electoral Area "A" Bamfield

Director Tanya Shannon
Electoral Area "B" Beaufort

Director Kel Roberts
Electoral Area "C" Long Beach

Director Penny Cote
Electoral Area "D" Sproat Lake

Director Dianne Bodnar
Electoral Area "F" Cherry Creek

Mayor Sharie Minions
City of Port Alberni

Councillor Ron Corbett
City of Port Alberni

Councillor Tom Stere
District of Tofino

Councillor Rachelle Cole
District of Ucluelet

Councillor Kirsten Johnsen
Toquaht Nation

Councillor Wilfred Cootes
Uchucklesaht Tribe
Government

Councillor Alan McCarthy
Yuulu?i?ath Government

For more information, agendas for meetings, and official minutes from the Board of Directors meetings, visit the ACRD Website (www.acrd.bc.ca) or contact the General Manager of

Administrative Services at
250-720-2700 or e-mail
whamson@acrd.bc.ca



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c. Maritime Heritage Society

- i. Lighthouse Roof Replacement – Javen Simon Roofing has been retained to undertake this work as their schedule and weather permit. In March we received notice that ACRD will contribute \$3,000 towards this project. In April we also got a positive response from the Port Alberni Port Authority indicating that they will help financially with this project as well. Thanks to Zoran Knezevic and the PAPA Board for their support on this important project.
- ii. Harbour History Pictorial Display – A new display consisting of a collection of Black & White photographs of Port Alberni's harbour, taken by John Taylor in the 1980's is coming soon. Dave Cox will be working with Kirsten Smith at the Alberni Valley Museum in May to frame this collection of historic maritime photographs for display at our Gallery. Thanks to the Museum staff for their help with this project and thanks to Dave Cox for his work on this as well. This new display will replace our current Vanlene shipwreck display so if you haven't seen that yet come on in and have a look before it is gone.
- iii. Nahanni Restoration Project – With Spring weather we are resuming the weekly work sessions on Monday's at 10 am restoring this WW 2 vintage RCAF crash boat. If you would like to get involved with this project there is lots of opportunity to roll up your sleeves participate. Thanks to Lawrence Charnell for being the leader on this project.
- iv. Summer Programs – We have made applications for funding from the Alberni Co-op and the Alberni Foundation to help cover the costs of hiring students for our 2022 summer programs. In April we were notified that the Alberni Valley Community Foundation will support our summer programs with a donation of \$3600 which will fund a summer student. Thanks to the Community Foundation for their support! Kendra Neary will stay on as our summer coordinator this year and we will be begin recruiting in May for summer students to join the program.
- v. Open Hours - we are open Thursday – Sunday, 11 am – 4 pm. Stop in at the Gallery to see the new Tsunami exhibit and the outgoing Vanlene exhibit and also renew your membership.

d. Chamber of Commerce

- i. Earlier this month we hosted an event called the Opioid Dialogue that was sponsored in part by the Port Alberni Shelter Society. More than 60 people registered for it so it was well-attended.
- ii. Our other primary focus is the Community Excellence Awards slated for Friday, June 10th at the McLean Mill. This will be our biggest event ever with



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upwards of 300 people in attendance. Our corporate sponsorship is phenomenal and that is allowing us to put on a much-needed quality event aimed at honouring the business community over the past 28 months of uncertainty.

- iii. The Chamber (including our McLean Mill operations) has received strong support from the Youth Employment program with confirmation of 6 people available to us, each for a period of 8 weeks between now and the end of August. We have also secured people from NETP.

e. McLean Mill

- i. We hosted a major program at the site for a week earlier in April. On the biggest day of the program more than 100 people were involved.
- ii. Two weeks ago we hired a woman fairly new to Port Alberni as the assistant to our Director of Operations and Opportunities. She understands the inner workings of townships and she is very tuned in to heritage and its importance as part of the identity of a community.
- iii. We have decided not to schedule any more weddings or similar events through to at least the end of September. This will help us ensure good results and good customer service for the events currently scheduled.

f. School District

- i. SD70 Pacific Rim's new District Principal – Indigenous Education, Jaime Hansen, has been hired for the 2022/23. Ms. Hansen is currently Principal at Ucluelet Elementary and has been a SD70 administrator for 13 years. Ms. Hansen is a Nuu-chah-nulth woman from the Ahousaht Nation.
- ii. "Annie" at ADSS May 6 & 7. Tickets online at ADSS website.
- iii. SD70 Board of Education toured the 'Mighty Learners' day care spaces at Tsuma-as Elementary recently. This new facility is a huge addition to providing safe and caring day care for young children all day as well as before and after school. Material shortages have caused some delays but completion is very close.
- iv. A.V. Wrestling Awards Wed. May 4th.
- v. SD70 will be extremely busy from now through June celebrating the successes of 2021/22 school year with award ceremonies, graduations, track meets, band concerts and much more.



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g. City Council

- i. Port Alberni, BC – The City of Port Alberni is pleased to announce the return of Tim Pley to the role of Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) beginning next week. Pley had previously served as the City's CAO from January 2016 until his retirement in December 2021.

In December 2021 the City enlisted the services of Leaders International, a professional executive search firm, to assist in finding a new CAO. While a number of applicants were considered, the search did not result in a preferred candidate being hired. Council for the City of Port Alberni intends to repost the CAO employment opportunity following the municipal election scheduled to take place in October 2022.

"Although best efforts were applied in this initial executive search, Council will now defer the hiring process to enable Council to continue to focus on key initiatives and projects already underway. We are fortunate to have Tim Pley return for a time, bringing experience and continuity to the pivotal leadership role of CAO. We expect deferring the hiring decision until after the municipal election will also help deliver the strongest possible field of candidates in our search for a new CAO," said Mayor Sharie Minions.

"We truly appreciate Tim's willingness to continue the critical work required to support our current needs and strategic priorities through 2022," concluded Mayor Minions.

Pley will assume the role of CAO effective April 12, 2022, and is expected to remain in that role until December 31, 2022.

- ii. Housing Development | 3027-3037 2nd Avenue

Dion Whyte, Director at New Commons Development and Katrina Kiefer, Executive Director for Canadian Mental Health provided Council with an update for the proposed housing development on City-owned lands located at 3027-3037 2nd Avenue.

The project, first introduced to Council in 2020, has been amended to now include a mixture of both supportive and affordable housing units in partnership with BC Housing. Council provided their continued support and directed staff to work with the proponents in establishing a Memorandum of Understanding.

- iii. Port Alberni Folkfest Multicultural Society

Members Angie Blake and Bonnie Ruttan of the Port Alberni Folkfest Multicultural Society provided information related to the 2022 Canada Day Parade and associated activities. Members also inquired regarding additional City support and expressed the need for community volunteers to help make the event a success. To volunteer please call 250.724.1997 [Angie Blake].



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- iv. "City of Port Alberni Tax Rates Bylaw No. 5053, 2022" was adopted. The Tax Rates bylaw will set the tax rates required to balance the municipalities taxing obligations as outlined in the Financial Plan.
 - v. Council proclaimed the week of May 9 – 13, 2022 as 'Economic Development Week' in Port Alberni, creating awareness and celebrating the value that economic development professionals bring to the community.
 - vi. Council proclaimed May 12, 2022 as 'Moose Hide Campaign Day' in Port Alberni in support of ending violence against women and children.
 - vii. Council proclaimed May 17, 2022 as 'International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia' in Port Alberni and authorized flying the Pride flag at City Hall in support of this day.
 - viii. Council proclaimed June 8, 2022 as 'World Ocean's Day' in Port Alberni in support of efforts to protect 30 percent of the ocean by 2030.
 - ix. Council proclaimed June 19, 2022 'Longest Day of SMILES' in Port Alberni raising awareness on behalf of Operation Smile Canada whom provides surgery to those born with cleft conditions.
 - x. Council proclaimed the week of May 1 to 7, 2022 as 'Hospice Palliative Care Week in the Alberni Valley' in Port Alberni celebrating and sharing achievements of hospice care and raising awareness in support of palliative care programs and services.
- h. Historical Society
- i. During the month of April, the volunteers logged in 239 hours. Thank you, ladies!
 - ii. Our AGM will take place on Wednesday, June 8, 7 pm – 9 pm in the Dogwood Room at Echo Centre. There will be a 'guest' speaker(s).
 - iii. We are now welcoming researchers "in person". Our doors are open from 11 am – 3 pm, Tuesday – Thursday. Fridays by request.
 - iv. We are looking for Port Alberni School Year Books. If you have any that you are willing to donate to the Archives, please contact Gareth.
 - v. Volunteers are in the Archives - Tues – Thurs, 11 am – 3 pm.
- i. Industrial Heritage Society
- i. David Hooper spearheading the Hayes 100th birthday get together at the Fall Fairgrounds July 30/Aug1. Everyone welcome.
 - ii. A small group of IHS members helped out at the McLean mill movie shoot. They loaned some props and did some labour.
 - iii. My last report on the Farquhar steam tractor was wrong. Technical Safety has only approved the repairs for training purposes. We cannot run in



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public. The repairs have to be signed off by qualified person. My understanding is that the steam crew is working at getting this done.

iv. Bob East continues on with the IHC safety plan.

j. Community at Large – no report

k. Museum

i. Art Show opening is tomorrow and runs until Sept. 3; almost 70 guests have RSVP'd

ii. Our second virtual Heritage Fair is on Friday; 11 students will vie for 3 spots in the provincial fair

iii. We have hired two additional casual Museum Assistants

l. Hupacasath First Nation – no report

m. Tseshah First Nation – no report

7. Next Meeting

a. Wednesday, June 1 → 7pm (Maritime Heritage)

8. Adjourn

a. Moved by Bert to adjourn the meeting at 7:52pm.