

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Monday, January 29, 2024 @ 6:00 PM
In the City Hall Council Chambers & Via Video-Conference
4850 Argyle Street, Port Alberni, BC

Present: Mayor S. Minions
Councillor D. Dame
Councillor J. Douglas
Councillor D. Haggard
Councillor C. Mealey
Councillor T. Patola
Councillor C. Solda

Staff: M. Fox, Chief Administrative Officer
D. Monteith, Director of Corporate Services
A. McGifford, Director of Finance
R. Macauley, Deputy Director of Finance
W. Thorpe, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture
S. Bourgoin, Recreation Services Manager
J. MacDonald, Director of Infrastructure Services
J. Pelech, Manager of Information Services
S. Lowe, Manager of Communications/Recording Secretary

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A. CALL TO ORDER & APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the agenda be approved, as circulated.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the minutes of the meeting held at 6:00 pm on January 15, 2024, be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

C. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Neil Anderson

Commented on the remedial action order imposed by Council for the property located at 5170 Argyle Street.

Bob Kanngiesser

Commented on the report to Council regarding 2023 BC Municipal Taxation Comparisons.

Joseph Leskosek

Requested to speak following the delegations.

D. DELEGATIONS

1. **Justice for Dontay [Lucas]**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that Council begin the process of engaging with Dontay's family to find a space dedicated to celebrating Dontay Lucas' life.

CARRIED

2. **School District 70 | Social Justice 12**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that Council, pending the blessing of Indigenous elders, support the painting of an Indigenous crosswalk, and further, include the necessary funding in the Financial Plan.

CARRIED

C. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD CONTINUED

Joseph Leskosek

Commented on a park in Westporte Place as a suggested dedication space for Dontay.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F. STAFF REPORTS

G. CORRESPONDENCE

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Asset Retirement Obligations Policy**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend Council approve Policy 3009-4 'Asset Retirement Obligations'.

CARRIED

Mayor Minions left the meeting at 7:02 pm and returned at 7:05 pm.

Meeting recessed for 5 minutes to manage technical difficulties.

2. **Fees and Charges Bylaw, 2007, Bylaw No. 4665**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that Council endorse amendments to the "Fees and Charges Bylaw, 2007, Bylaw No. 4665" by replacing Schedule 'A' and provide three readings of the amending bylaw.

CARRIED

3. **BC Municipal Taxation 2023 Comparisons**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the report 'BC Municipal Taxation 2023 Comparison' dated January 21, 2024.

CARRIED

4. **Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 5086, 2023**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend Council endorse the amendment to the "Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 5086, 2023" and provide three readings of the amending bylaw.
CARRIED
5. **2024 Reserve Planning Process and Balances**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the report '2024 Reserve Planning Process and Balances' dated January 17, 2024.
CARRIED
6. **Aquatic Centre Operations**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the report 'Aquatic Centre Operations' dated January 22, 2024.
CARRIED
7. **Update on Intersection Pedestrian Safety Improvements**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the report 'Update on Intersection Pedestrian Safety Improvements' dated January 22, 2024.
CARRIED

I. QUESTION PERIOD

Bob Kanngiesser

Requested clarity on the hiring of lifeguards versus instructors at the Aquatic Centre.

J. ADJOURNMENT

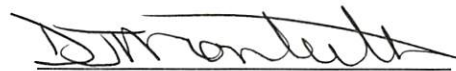
MOVED and SECONDED, THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:58 pm.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT



Mayor



Corporate Officer