

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Monday, June 10, 2024 @ 2:00 PM
In the City Hall Council Chambers & Via Video-Conference
4850 Argyle Street, Port Alberni, BC

Present: Mayor S. Minions
Councillor D. Dame
Councillor D. Haggard @ 2:12 p.m.
Councillor C. Mealey
Councillor C. Solda
Councillor T. Patola

Absent: Councillor J. Douglas

Staff: M. Fox, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Smith, Director of Development Services | Deputy CAO
D. Leurebourg, Director of Corporate Services
W. Thorpe, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture
B. McLoughlin, Manager of Planning
S. Darling, Deputy Director of Corporate Services | Recording Secretary
P. Datta, Information Services

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A. CALL TO ORDER & APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the agenda be amended to include items under 'New Business' L.6. | Skate Park and L.7 | UBCM Meeting Requests. The agenda was then adopted, as amended.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Minutes of the Special meeting held at 11:30 am and Regular Council meeting held at 2:00 pm on May 27, 2024 be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. STAFF REPORTS

1. Accounts

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the certification of the Director of Finance dated June 10, 2024, be received and the cheques numbered 154966 to 155095 inclusive, in payment of accounts totalling \$968,985.47, be approved.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-222

F. BYLAWS

1. Lane Closure Bylaw | 4th Avenue

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "City of Port Alberni Lane Closure [Portion of Lane immediately adjacent to the north of 2866 4th Avenue] and Removal of Dedication Bylaw No. 5103, 2024" be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Corporate Officer and numbered 5103.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-223

2. Zoning Bylaw No. 5105, 2024 | Small Scale Multi-Unit Housing (SSMUH) Update

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "Zoning Bylaw No. 5105, 2024" be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Corporate Officer and numbered 5105.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-224

G. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

1. Port Alberni Community Action Team

Council invited Angeline Street, Coordinator, Port Alberni Community Action Team to speak.

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council authorize the installation of a semi-permanent art memorial on the fence at Dry Creek Park following International Overdose Awareness Day [August 30th] in support and remembrance of lives claimed due to the toxic drug crisis.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-225

2. Wesco Food Society

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council receive correspondence dated May 29, 2024 from Wesco Food Society requesting a letter of support for the 'Little Kitchen Academy' and Good Food Boxes' programs and direct staff to request that that the Society provide additional information prior to further consideration of Council.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-226

H. PROCLAMATIONS

1. Port Alberni Community Action Team | International Overdose Awareness Day

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council on behalf of Port Alberni Community Action Team, proclaim August 31, 2024 as 'International Overdose Awareness Day' in Port Alberni.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-227

2. Island Kids Cancer Association

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council on behalf Island Kids Cancer Association, proclaim the month of September 2024 as 'Childhood Cancer Awareness Month' in Port Alberni.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-228

I. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

The Director of Corporate Services summarized correspondence to Council as follows:

- a. BC Ferries | Invitation to *Charting the Course* Workshop June 13, 2024
- b. Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | Appreciation of Councillor Haggard's contribution as Chair on the Alberni Valley Aquatics Feasibility Study Committee
- c. BC Games Society | 2028 BC Winter and BC Summer Games Host Communities Announcement

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council receive correspondence for information, as presented.

CARRIED

J. REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

K. COUNCIL REPORTS

1. Council and Regional District Reports

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Council reports outlining recent meetings and events related to the City's business, be received.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-229

L. NEW BUSINESS

1. Echo Aquatic Centre Study

THAT Council direct staff to obtain a quote to conduct a study of the Echo Aquatic Centre regarding the potential for expansion [renovation] for Council consideration compared to the current feasibility study for a new build.

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the motion be amended to replace 'a quote to conduct a study' with a 'high-level report'

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-230

Main Motion as Amended

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to prepare a high-level report for the Echo Aquatic Centre regarding the potential for expansion [renovation] for Council consideration compared to the current feasibility study for a new build.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-231

2. Potential Uses of the Existing Rollins Building on 8th Avenue

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to discuss the potential use of the existing Rollins building on 8th Avenue with the Saltair Childcare Society for additional childcare spaces.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-232

3. **5170 Argyle Street [Port Pub] – Revised Remedial Action Order**

Council invited community member, K. Murphy to speak.

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council postpone the resolution for a revised remedial action requirement at 5170 Argyle Street to the June 24th Regular meeting permitting time to engage with BC Housing to request that they purchase, remediate and rent the building in question.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-233

4. **Council Letter of Support | Legislative Reform Initiative**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to send a letter of support for the Regional District of Nanaimo [RDN] Legislative Reform Initiative indicating Council's support for a comprehensive review of the Local Government Act ensuring that consideration is made to fair distribution of funding for joint services between regional districts and municipalities.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-234

Councillor Mealey left the meeting at 3:23 pm and returned at 3:26 pm.

Councillor Dame recused himself at 3:27 pm on the basis of a personal relationship with the tenant of the Train Station.

5. **Train Station | Building Modification**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to proceed with installation of an additional exterior door at the Train Station.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-235

Councillor Dame returned to the meeting at 3:28 pm.

6. **Skate Park**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to prepare and submit applications for a skate park, pump track and skills track at its current location for any grants available and bring back to Council if motions are required for grant.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-236

7. **UBCM Meeting Requests**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to proceed with submitting Minister meeting requests for the 2024 UBCM Convention as based on the 2023 requests.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-237

M. QUESTION PERIOD

Charlaine

Inquired regarding Bill 44 legislated amendments as it relates to small-scale, multi-unit homes.

A. Street

Invited Council to the Community Action Team 'Living Library' Event.

N. MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council closes the meeting to the public, pursuant to section(s) 90(1)(a), 90(1)(c), 90(1)(e), 90(1)(i), 90(1)(k) and 90(1)(l) of the Community Charter for the purpose of considering:

- *personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality*
- *labour relations or other employee relations;*
- *the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements and where the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;*
- *the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;*
- *negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;*
- *discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [annual municipal report].*

CARRIED

Following adoption of the above motion, the meeting will be closed to the public and not recorded.

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Regular Meeting reopens and Council reconvenes its open meeting at 5:32 pm with all members of Council in attendance.

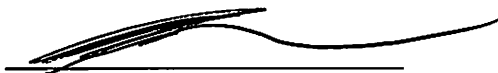
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O. ADJOURNMENT

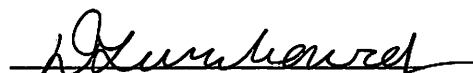
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the meeting adjourn at 5:33 p.m.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT



Mayor



Corporate Officer