

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Tuesday, October 15, 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. Haggard
Councillor C. Mealey
Councillor C. Solda

Regrets: Councillor D. Dame
Councillor T. Patola

Staff: M. Fox, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Darling, Director of Corporate Services
W. Thorpe, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture
A. McGifford, Director of Finance
R. Macauley, Deputy Director of Finance
J. Pelech, Information Services Manager

Gallery: 3

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 adopted as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the minutes of the Special meeting held at 12:00 pm and Regular Council meeting held at 2:00 pm on September 23, 2024 be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS

1. Introduction | Manager of Culture

The Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture introduced the Manager of Culture, Sheila Perry.

2. Introduction | Executive Assistant

The Chief Administrative Officer introduced the Executive Assistant, Brianne Dempsey.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. STAFF REPORTS

F. BYLAWS

1. "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 5115, 2024"

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 5115, 2024" be now introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-311

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 5115, 2024" be read a second time.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-312

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 5115, 2024" be read a third time.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-313

"Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw, Amendment No. 1, Bylaw No. 5091-1, 2024"

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw, Amendment No. 1, Bylaw No. 5091-1, 2024" be now introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-314

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw, Amendment No. 1, Bylaw No. 5091-1, 2024" be read a second time.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-315

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw, Amendment No. 1, Bylaw No. 5091-1, 2024" be read a third time.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-316

G. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

1. Huu-ay-aht First Nation | Oomiiqsu (Aboriginal Mother Centre)

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council for the City of Port Alberni graciously accept the plaque from the Huu-ay-aht First Nations Oomiiqsu (Aboriginal Mother Centre).

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-317

2. Coastline Endurance Running | Trail Running Series

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council authorize Coastline Endurance Running access to City streets/trails on Saturday, June 7, 2025 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm for the purpose of a trail running event starting at the EJ Dunn Elementary School and following the route as outlined in the attached map subject to:

- *the notification of emergency services and BC Transit*
- *consultation with all affected businesses/residents*
- *provision of a Traffic Safety Plan completed by a certified professional, including qualified Traffic Control personnel as required*
- *provision of standard liability insurance in the amount of \$5M [minimum]*
- *event organizers responsible for removal of all flagging tape and stakes*
- *event organizers acknowledge that these trails are open to the public and as such trails will need to be shared accordingly*
- *event organizers acknowledge trails will be enjoyed as-is*
- *event organizers acknowledge that authorization for route sections on non-City property requires separate approval from corresponding property owners/agencies*

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-318

3. Community Action Team

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to work with the Community Action Team to determine costing and implications related to hosting a Men's Mental Health Car Show in May 2025 on the Somass Lands to be brought forward to Council for consideration and approval.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-319

4. **R. Maczulat | Noise Bylaw Extension**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council authorize an exemption to the "Noise Control Bylaw 2009, No. 4718" to permit the Italian Hall Centre to host a Halloween Dance Event ending at 1:00 am on Saturday, October 26th.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-320

H. PROCLAMATIONS

1. **Ministry of Children and Family Development**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council on behalf of the Ministry of Children and Family Development proclaim the month of October as 'Foster Family Month' in Port Alberni.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-321

2. **Complex Regional Pain Syndrome/Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy [CRPS/RSD]**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council on behalf of Complex Regional Pain Syndrome and Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy proclaim November 4, 2024 as 'Color the World Orange Day' in Port Alberni.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-322

I. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

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

- a. Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities | 2024 Community Safety and Wellbeing Conference

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to register one Councillor or the Manager of Community Safety and Social Development to participate in the 2024 Community Safety and Wellbeing Conference taking place October 28-30, 2024 in Victoria, BC.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-323

- b. City of Duncan | News Release - Homelessness Crisis Urgent Call to Action
c. City of Merritt | Burden of Delinquent Property Taxes
d. Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | News Release Sort'n Go Compost Program
e. Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | Alberni Valley Emergency Management Brochure
f. Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | Accessibility Committee Meeting | March 5, 2024 & April 9, 2024 Minutes
g. Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness | Indigenous Engagement Requirements Funding Program
h. United Against Hate Canada | Election Survey – Combatting Antisemitism
i. Royal Canadian Mounted Police | BC RCMP Recruiting Update
j. Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry | Draft Salmon Aquaculture Transition Plan for BC
k. Various Ministry Letters | Follow up to the 2024 UBCM Convention Meeting
l. North Island College | Future Student Guide -
<https://www.nic.bc.ca/audience/future-students/future-student-resources/>
m. Youth Parliament of British Columbia Alumni Society | 96th Parliamentary Session Open for Application

- n. PRIMECorp | 2023-24 Annual Report and Financial Statements
- o. Advisory Traffic Committee | January 17, 2024 Minutes
- p. Audit Committee | February 27, 2024 & May 28, 2024 Minutes
- q. Alberni Valley Museum and Heritage Commission | September 4, 2024 Minutes

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council receive the items of 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

L. NEW BUSINESS

1. West Coast Emergency Cultural Awareness and Safety Plan

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to enter into an agreement with the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District to collaborate on the establishment of a West Coast Emergency Cultural Awareness and Safety Plan;

AND FURTHER, THAT Council direct staff to allocate the \$40,000 in funding received from the Indigenous Engagement Requirements Funding Program [less administrative costs] to achieve this work.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-324

2. Return of A.D.S.S. Graduation Ceremonies to the Multiplex

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to prepare a report providing background information on the history of Multiplex hosted Alberni District Secondary School graduation ceremonies and further, provide options and a timeline for the return of ceremonies to this location to be presented at the January 20, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting.

CARRIED | Res. No. 24-325

M. QUESTION PERIOD

N. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the meeting adjourn at 2:30 p.m.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT



Mayor



Corporate Officer