



CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held April 10, 2017. This is not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the City Clerk at 250-720-2810 or e-mail: davina_hartwell@portalberni.ca

PUBLIC INPUT

John Mayba provided information regarding a BBQ and family bike ride being held on Earth Day, April 22nd from 11:00am to 1:00pm at Harbour Quay. MP Gord Johns will be in attendance to discuss a National Cycling Strategy initiative.

Wayne James expressed concern regarding the Port Alberni Port Authority's planned repairs to the Water Street Wharf and reduced public access to the waterfront.

DELEGATIONS

John Howitt Elementary - Grade 3 Class Grade three students from John Howitt Elementary School presented a healthy communities research project and engaged with Council regarding efforts to ensure clean water and air, affordable housing, healthy food, and other local issues.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bylaw Enforcement

Council directed staff to prepare a report itemizing options for moving forward with an active bylaw enforcement plan to address derelict and vacant properties.

STAFF REPORTS

City Transit Service Expansion

Council received a report and directed no further action regarding potential transit linkages between the Port Alberni and the Regional District of Nanaimo.

Special Event Permits (formerly Special Occasion Licences)

Council endorsed the Special Event Permit applications for 2017 providing all the provisions of the provincial liquor licensing requirements are met.

Lease of Property to Proactive Services

Council approved a lease agreement with Proactive Services for the portion of lane adjacent to the property at 4866 Bute Street for a two year period at the cost of \$350.00 per year plus taxes effective May 1st, 2017.

PA Squash & Fitness - Liquor Licence

Council will recommend to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch that the application from PA Squash & Fitness, located at 3123 3rd Avenue, for a change to their liquor licence to increase their capacity to 111, be approved.

BYLAWS

"Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 2017-2021, Bylaw No. 4932" was finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the corporate seal and numbered 4932.

"Tax Rates 2017, Bylaw No. 4933" was introduced and read three times.

"Zoning Text Amendment T11, (Site Specific Use - C3 Service Commercial), Bylaw No. 4930" was advanced to a Public Hearing on Monday, April 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Uplands Phase 2 – Burde Street, Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw Amendments were finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the corporate seal and numbered 4899, 4900 and 4901.

CORRESPONDENCE

City of Port Alberni Food Security & Climate Disruption Committee – 2016 Annual Report Council received the 2016 Annual Report and recommendations and provided direction for staff to:

- update the City's Active Transportation Plan;
- request a meeting with the provincial government during UBCM to discuss sea level rise, flooding and severe weather adaptation;
- provide a report regarding the creation of a bylaw restricting the use of pesticides within the City; and
- continue integrating bee-friendly plants into City gardens and work with community groups to host mason bees in community spaces.

BC Transit

Council authorized the Mayor and Clerk to sign the 2017-2018 Annual Operating Agreement and the Transit Service Agreement.

Vancouver Island Spine Trail

Council will provide a letter of support to the Vancouver Island Spine Trail Association.

City of Vernon - GST on Carbon Tax

Council resolved to support the current ePetition to remove GST from being charged on the Carbon Tax.

PROCLAMATIONS

"Seniors' Week" was proclaimed for June 4 to 10, 2017.

May 7, 2017 is "Walk for Alzheimer's Day".

NEW BUSINESS

McLean Mill Society - Financial Statements Council requested the financial statements of the McLean Mill Society be provided.

Shaw Go WiFi

Council provided direction to staff to bring forward a report regarding the City's agreement with Shaw Communications for the Shaw Go WiFi service.

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MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Thurs. Apr 13

4:30 pm - Seniors Advisory Committee @ Committee Room

Wed. Apr. 19

10:00 am - Advisory Traffic Committee @ Committee Room

Thurs. Apr. 20

12:00 p.m. – Advisory Planning Commission @ Committee Room

Mon. Apr 24

7:00 pm - Regular Council Meeting @ Council Chambers