



CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

*An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held April 25, 2016.
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

Sarah Thomas attended on behalf of the Air Quality Council and commended Council on steps they have taken to improve air quality and noted an Air Quality & Health Forum taking place May 26th at the Multiplex, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Katherin Charbonneau, Child Care Consultant with Pacific Care highlighted the importance of quality child care and noting May is Child Care Month.

■ DELEGATIONS

ADSS - Social Studies 11

Julia Davenport, Pharyn Frank and Nicole Johnson presented SS11 students work towards creating a No Smoking in Vehicles Bylaw.

Lynne MacFadgen, Regional Director, Continuing Education and Training, North Island College

In attendance to provide an overview and highlights of the education/training needs and opportunities identified at the recent Alberni Valley Learning Council planning forum.

Hugh Grist, Alberni Valley Community Foundation

Provide information regarding the Alberni Valley Community Foundation and its initiatives. Their AGM is May 12th, 7:00 p.m. at the Athletic Hall.

■ STAFF REPORTS

Public Hearing Report

Council received the report of the Public Hearing held April 11, 2016 regarding Bylaws #4899, #4900, #4901, #4902 and #4903.

Gertrude Street Bridge Construction Update

Council allocated funding in the amount of \$141,500 from 2017 Gas Tax Funds to the extra expenditures required on the Gertrude Street Bridge Widening project. 2017 gas tax projects will be re-evaluated during next year's budget process.

Assignment of Corporate Administration

In the absence of the City Clerk, the responsibility of corporate administration will be assigned to the Deputy City Clerk/Communications Coordinator.

Alberni Valley Community Forest

Council appointed Erin Watkins to replace Stan Kujala as a Director of the Alberni Valley Community Forest Corporation effective May 9, 2016.

■ BYLAWS

Council finally adopted "Tax Rates 2016, Bylaw No. 4905".

"Portion of Road Closure Adjacent to 4065 McBride Street and Removal of Dedication Bylaw No. 4896" was given three readings and will be advertised to the public prior to consideration of adoption on May 9, 2016.

"Fire Control Bylaw, 2015, Amendment No. 1 (Outdoor Burning), Bylaw No. 4906" was introduced and read three times.

■ CORRESPONDENCE

Matthew Pearson

Council received a request to amend "Zoning Text Amendment No. T7 (Marijuana Dispensary Regulations), Bylaw No. 4893" and "Business Licence Bylaw Amendment No. 4, Bylaw No. 4894.

Truck Loggers Association

Council authorized membership in the Truck Loggers Association at the annual cost of \$385.00 + GST (\$404.25)

Melissa Shiplack

Council will forward a letter expressing concern regarding the overcrowding at West Coast General Hospital to Dr. Brandon Carr, President and Chief Executive Officer of Island Health.

Port Alberni Friendship Centre

Council will provide letters of support for the Friendship Centre's CORE funding and for the Urban Partnership Program which funds their Youth Employment Program.

BC Transit

Council authorized the Mayor and Clerk to sign the 2016-2017 Annual Operating Agreement for transit services.

BC Transit

The City will participate in the GradPass Program which allows graduating Grade 12 students to ride the bus free of charge for any two consecutive days of their choice in June 2016.

Labour Dispute

Council will write to all parties involved in the current labour dispute between Island Pacific Logging and WFP keeping Franklin River Steelworkers Union members out of work.

■ PROCLAMATIONS

Steelworkers Local 1-85

April 28th is **"National Day of Mourning"** in Port Alberni and the flag will be flown at half-mast throughout the week out of respect for workers who have died on the job.

May 1th is **"Walk for Alzheimer's Day"** and the month of May is **"National Palliative Care Month"** and **"Child Care Month"** in the Alberni Valley.

■ REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

Executive Search - CAO

The Mayor reported that the Executive Search firm of Davies Park has been engaged to recruit a new CAO for the City of Port Alberni at a cost of \$35,000 + expenses. \$15,000 is contained in the 2016-2020 Five Year Plan and the remainder will come from contingency.

Council Summary

is prepared following each regular Council meeting. It is posted on the City's website at www.portalberni.ca and distributed by e-mail. To be placed on the distribution list, please contact: davina_hartwell@portalberni.ca

Complete Council agendas

including all correspondence and reports are available at www.portalberni.ca Generally these are posted the Friday before each regular Council meeting and are archived on the site.

MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Wed. May 4

7:00 pm - Alberni Valley Heritage Commission
@ Alberni Valley Museum

Thurs. May 5

4:30 pm - Food Security & Climate Disruption
Committee Meeting @ Committee Room

Mon. May 9

7:00 pm - Regular Council Meeting
@ Council Chambers