



CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held January 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

Malcolm Menninga commented that while the City is heading in a positive direction with regards to waterfront use, there is still a lack of access to the waterfront.

■ DELEGATIONS

Government Finance Officers Association

Cathy Rothwell, Director of Finance was presented the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting Achievement for the Annual Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Thunder in the Valley

Bill Surry provided information on this year's Thunder in the Valley Drag Racing event and requested Council's support to hold the event on Stamp Avenue. Council supported the event in principle and directed staff to report at the next meeting regarding costs/liability.

Alberni Valley Chamber of Commerce

Bill Collette provided information on the "Tri-Conic Challenge" (swim/bike/run) taking

place in June 2017. The request for \$2,000 in funding to support preparation of a grant application was referred to the Economic Development Manager.

■ BYLAWS

Public Hearing Report

Council received the verbal report of the Public Hearing held January 25, 2016 and gave third reading and final adoption to **"Zoning Text Amendment T7 (Marijuana Dispensary Regulations) Bylaw No. 4893"**.

Council finally adopted **"Business Licence Bylaw Amendment No. 4, Bylaw No. 4894"**.

■ CORRESPONDENCE

Alberni Valley Chamber of Commerce

Council received a letter from the Civic Affairs Committee and forwarded their recommendations to the City Engineer regarding alternative routes for industrial truck traffic through the city.

Alberni Valley Community Stakeholders Initiative To End Homelessness (AVCSI)

Council received and referred a letter from the AVCSI regarding the Seniors Advisory Committee's recommendation for the formation of a committee to address seniors' housing to staff.

City of Nanaimo and Nanaimo Port Authority

Council will meet with the City of Nanaimo and Nanaimo Port Authority regarding their Request for Proposals to secure a passenger-only ferry service between Nanaimo and downtown Vancouver.

Golden Oldies Car Club

The 42nd Annual Show n' Shine Car Show will take place on July 2, 2016. Council authorized a one day closure of Third Avenue from Argyle Street to Mar Street from 7 am to 2 pm subject to notification of emergency services, consultation with all affected businesses to minimize potential conflict and traffic concerns.

Roland Smith

Council received a letter questioning the recent changes with senior management personnel and requesting clarification regarding the obligations of the Acting City Manager/Fire Chief.

The Mayor advised that the Management Structure and Pay Review Report prepared by Judy Rogers Consulting will be provided to the next regular meeting of Council.

Port Alberni Port Authority

Council approved \$300,000 funding to PAPA towards construction of boardwalk and sewer line as part of the Somass land development project.

■ REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

The minutes of the December 10, 2015 in-camera council meeting were provided for information. A report regarding the formation and structure of a Board to oversee the McLean Mill/train operation will come forward in the next month.

■ NEW BUSINESS

Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Resolutions

Council directed staff to submit two resolutions to the AVICC.

- Petitioning the province to restrict wood debris pile burning by forest companies that impact air quality;
- Petitioning the provincial and federal governments to release committed funding for the island railway corridor.

2016-2020 Financial Plan

Council has arranged a budget meeting on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. in Council Chambers. Staff was directed to prepare a budget document reflecting Collective Agreement obligations, fixed costs, no new positions added and to move projects to a 'pick list' for Council's consideration and discussion.

Also in regards to the budget, Council directed creation of a 'thermometer' indicating status of aquatic centre funding and requested a report on cost to purchase additional planters for Johnston Road.

Travel Authorization

Council authorized Councillor Minions attendance at a meeting in Vancouver on February 1st with the Mayor and A/City Manager.

Notices of Motion

Notices of motion were provided as follows:

- Personnel Committee involvement in all hiring
- Kitchen & Yard waste business plan in 2016

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MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Jan. 28

2:30 p.m. – Financial Plan Meeting
@ Council Chambers

Wed. Feb 3

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

Thurs. Feb 4

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

Tues. Feb 9

7:00 pm - Regular Council Meeting
@ Council Chambers

Wed. Feb 10

6:30 pm – Financial Plan Public Presentation &
Discussion
@ Echo Centre

Thurs. Feb 11

Seniors Advisory Committee
@ Committee Room