



CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held January 22, 2018. 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

Ellen Frood, ACAWS, commented on the CAO's report regarding strategies to address issues of crime and requested Council's commitment to action as it relates to housing.

Reverend Brenda Nestegaard Paul,

commented on everyone's entitlement to feel safe and secure. She commented on housing affordability being a huge issue, creating opportunities and provision of effective public transportation.

John Douglas thanked Council for supporting another successful polar bear swim and for the work that Council does. He also commented on work he is doing with the Port Alberni Maritime Heritage Society and the Heritage Commission in regards to locating tunnels in the Harbour Quay area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Strategy to Address Big City Problems in Port Alberni

Council discussed the report from the Chief Administrative Officer providing strategies to address the increase in crime as well as commercial property concerns. Council passed several motions, including direction that staff:

- bring back a report providing steps to moving forward to partner with or provide incentives to service providers of safe housing and community based support programs;
- provide a detailed plan regarding the potential provision of additional bylaw enforcement resources and security/lighting options for businesses (cost breakdowns)
- Encourage businesses to partner and provide support where possible
- Investigate costs of moving the community policing office to 3rd Avenue.

Council also received a letter from Chris Washington providing input and suggestions for consideration following the Committee of the Whole meeting held December 19, 2017.

STAFF REPORTS

Argyle Stevenson Boundary Extension

Council received a report from the City Clerk advising that all relevant legislative requirements pertaining to a municipal boundary extension in the Local Government Act and Community Charter have been completed. Relevant information will now be forwarded to the province.

FireSmart Planning Grant

Council will support activities proposed in the application for funding to the Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative FireSmart Planning Grant Program.

Starboard Grill Ltd. dba Portside Café & Fine Foods

Council authorized the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a lease for Unit #5 at the Alberni Harbour Quay with the Starboard Grill Ltd. dba Portside Café & Fine Foods for the term ending December 31, 2019 at the current monthly rent of \$724.50 plus GST.

2018 Municipal Election – Appointment of Officers

Davina Hartwell was appointed as Chief Election Officer, and Tanis Feltrin was appointed as Deputy Chief Election Officer for the October 20, 2018 general municipal election.

Nuisance Property Working Group

Council was informed of the establishment and purpose of the Nuisance Property Working Group.

Truck Counts

Council was provided information regarding the Traffic Count Study undertaken in Port Alberni on September 26-28, 2017. The information is available on the City's website.

BYLAWS

City Clerk - Public Hearing Report

Council received the verbal report of the Public Hearing held January 22, 2018 regarding Bylaw No. 4955 and 4956. **Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 28 (3665 12th Avenue, C.Power), Bylaw No. 4955** Bylaw No. 4955 was read a third time.

"Zoning Text Amendment No. T12 (Site Specific Use - P1 - Institutional), Bylaw No. 4956" Bylaw No. 4956 was read a third time and given final adoption.

Temporary Borrowing Bylaw for Somass Estuary Environmental Stewardship Protection Project Bylaw No. 4957

Bylaw No. 4957 was introduced and read three times.

Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 25 (4850 Regina Avenue – Knutson), Bylaw No. 4948" Bylaw 4948 was advanced to a Public Hearing on February 13, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

CORRESPONDENCE

Faydra Arsenault

Council referred a request from Fayra Arsenault to create a bylaw pertaining to panhandling to staff for a report and recommendation.

Alberni Valley Drag Racing Association

Council supported the Alberni Valley Drag Racing Association's request to use Stamp Avenue from Roger Street to Redford Street from 2 pm on August 9, 2018 until 10:00 pm on August 12, 2018 for Thunder in the Valley 2018.

TimberWest

Council received information regarding TimberWest's Access Policy and how they accommodate public access on private lands as well as information regarding their internal Access Committee and requested they be invited to an upcoming meeting.

Food Security & Climate Disruption Committee (FSCDC) – 2017 Annual Report

Council directed the FSCDC to prepare a report on implications of each of the recommendations provided in the 2017 Annual Report for Council's consideration.

Roland Smith

A late letter form Roland Smith with questions related to the costs of borrowing for the sewage lagoon upgrades was received and will be provided to the next agenda with a response from staff.

PROCLAMATIONS

February 6, 2018 as **Raise the Roof Toque Tuesday** in Port Alberni.

NEW BUSINESS

A notice of motion was provided regarding a review and update of the City's nuisance and property maintenance bylaws.

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MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Wed. Jan 24 4:30 pm – Reconciliation Committee Meeting @ Committee Room

Mon. Jan 29 6:00 pm – e-town Hall Public Budget Meeting @ Council Chambers

Thurs. Feb. 1 4:30 pm – Food Security and Climate Disruption Committee @ Committee Room

Wed. Feb. 7 7:00 pm – Alberni Valley Heritage Commission @ Alberni Valley Museum

Thurs. Feb. 8 4:30 – Seniors' Advisory Committee @ Committee Room

Tues. Feb. 13 7:00 pm – Regular Council Meeting @ Council Chambers