



# CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held October 11, 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

Maggie Hodge-Kwan provided information regarding the Alberni Valley Community Foundation's upcoming Random Act of Kindness Day, scheduled for November 4, 2016.

# DELEGATIONS

#### **Recognition of Champions**

Maggie Slassor introduced the 2016 BC 55+ Senior Games champions from the Alberni Valley.

## Young Professionals of the Alberni Valley

Kat Slepian and Sarah Thomas provided an update regarding their initiative to install bike racks at various locations around the community and invited local businesses and individuals to consider purchasing one of three available models by October 20, 2016.

## Chris Ruttan, Alpine Club of Canada

Provided information regarding their proposal to construct a wilderness hut on Mount 5040. Council agreed to provide a letter in support of this initiative.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## **Greenwood Cemetery**

Council directed staff to bring forward amendments to City of Port Alberni Cemetery Management, Bylaw No. 4732 to reflect fee increases required to sustainably fund the operation.

#### Arts, Culture and Heritage Plan

Council endorsed the proposal to create an Arts, Culture and Heritage Plan with funding from the Community Development budget.

#### Somass Basin Watershed Board

Mayor Ruttan was appointed to the Somass Basin Watershed Board.

## STAFF REPORTS

Gas Tax Agreement - Community Works Fund Council received a staff report providing information regarding the disbursement of Community Works Funds.

#### McLean Mill Fire Pump

Council directed staff to proceed with the replacement of the McLean Mill fire pump and associated works at the approximate cost of \$117,850.13 with funding from contingency.

## Request for Proposals - Former Tidebrook Property

Council directed staff to bring forward a draft Request for Proposals (RFP) for the development of the former Tidebrook property at 4356 and 4349 Gertrude Street.

# BYLAWS

Council finally adopted:

"Council Remuneration and Expense Bylaw, 2014, Amendment No. 2, Bylaw No. 4919"

"Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw 2017, Bylaw No. 4920"

"Places of Public Worship Exemption Bylaw, Amendment No. 1, Bylaw No. 4921"

"Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment No. 13 (4981 Ian Avenue - D. Paquette), Bylaw No. 4908".

# CORRESPONDENCE

#### Ron Behnke, AW Neill Elementary School

Council referred a request to replace the ditches along Compton Road with underground culverts to the upcoming Five Year Financial Planning process.

#### **Human Trafficking/Sexual Exploitation**

Council referred a letter from Cathy Peters expressing concern regarding human trafficking and sexual exploitation to the RCMP Officer in Charge.

#### **View Street Market**

Council directed staff to bring forward a report regarding a request from Jane Oliver and Rick Jorgensen for amendments to the City's Zoning and Waterworks Bylaws to permit the sale of eggs and honey and provide urban farms with the same water consumption rates as industrial customers.

## **British Columbia Youth Parliament**

Council referred a letter from the British Columbia Youth Parliament inviting eligible youth from the municipality to apply to sit as members of the Youth Parliament, to School District 70 (Alberni).

## Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL)

Council received the VIRL's 2017-2021 Financial Plan which provides an average increase of 4.25% or a per capita increase of \$1.59.

#### Vancouver Island Economic Summit

Council authorized Councillor Alemany to attend the Vancouver Island Economic Summit October 26-27, 2016 in Nanaimo.

# REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

#### City Engineer

Council provided notice of the City's intention to replace the City's Engineer. An external recruitment process will begin shortly to fill this position that has been vacated by the retirement of Mr. Guy Cicon.

## **Council Summary**

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# **MEETINGS AT A GLANCE**

#### Wed. Oct 19

10:00 am - Advisory Traffic Committee @ Committee Room

#### Thurs. Oct 20

12:00 pm - Advisory Planning Commission @ Committee Room

#### Mon. Oct 24

7:00 pm - Regular Council Meeting @ Council Chambers