

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2017 AT 7:00 PM
IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT: Mayor Ruttan; Councillors Alemany, McLeman, Minions, Sauvé and Washington

LATE: Councillor Paulson

A. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded:

That the agenda be approved as circulated with the addition of late items under F.3 – CUPE Local #118 – Alberni Valley Museum and J.6 Perry Bulwer – Reconciliation with First Nations.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded:

That the minutes from the Special Meeting held at 5:30 pm and Regular Council Meeting held at 7:00 pm on March 13, 2017 and Special Budget meeting held at 6:00 pm on March 20, 2017 be adopted.

CARRIED

C. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

The public was afforded an opportunity to address Council on topics of relevance to City Council.

Councillor Paulson joined the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

D. DELEGATIONS

1. Jolleen Dick, Hupacasath First Nation and Cynthia Dick, Tseshah First Nation

Councillor Jolleen Dick and Chief Councillor Cynthia Dick presented information regarding racism and discrimination in Port Alberni, outlined their solutions for building a stronger relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous

governments, and advised of their willingness to work with the City to advance reconciliation.

Anne Robinson introduced qwa'caapii, one of the Hereditary Chiefs of the Tseshah First Nation and outlined some of the local First Nations history and protocols.

It was moved and seconded:

That Council for the City of Port Alberni direct staff to bring forward a draft terms of reference at the April 10, 2017 regular meeting regarding the creation of a select committee of Council to consider and report back on potential community-based actions towards reconciliation with First Nations.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded:

That Council for the City of Port Alberni accept the three desired outcomes outlined in the letter dated March 22, 2017 from the Hupacasath First Nation and Tseshah First Nation, and direct staff to bring forward the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's specific Calls to Action relevant to local governments and the United Nations Declaration of Indigenous Peoples for adoption.

CARRIED

2. Mike Hadley and Jason Ferguson – Kinsmen Club

On behalf of the Kinsmen Club, Mike Hadley and Jason Ferguson presented their proposal for the second annual Soap Box Derby on July 29th and 30th, 2017 on Argyle Street and a new 'Bed Race' event on July 8th, 2017 starting at the Fall Fair Grounds and finishing at Clutesi Haven Marina.

It was moved and seconded:

That Council for the City of Port Alberni authorize the following street closures to accommodate the Kinsmen's Soap Box Derby event on July 29th and 30th, 2017 and the Bed Race event on July 8th, 2017:

- ***Argyle Street between 8th Avenue and 4th Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on July 29th and 30th, 2017;***
- ***Closure of the route from the Fall Fair Grounds to Clutesi Haven Marina on July 8th, 2017 with the specific time to be determined;***

subject to notification of emergency services, consultation with affected businesses and residents and provision of standard liability insurance.

CARRIED

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS NIL

F. STAFF REPORTS

1. Accounts

It was moved and seconded:

That the certification of the Director of Finance dated March 27, 2017 be received and the cheques numbered 138409 to 138528 inclusive, in payment of accounts totalling \$445,755.23, be approved.

CARRIED

2. Director of Community Services – Arts, Culture and Heritage Engagement Report

Project Facilitator, Nene Kraneveldt provided an overview of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Engagement Report.

It was moved and seconded:

That the Council for the City of Port Alberni receive the report dated March 20, 2017, from the Director of Community Services and make the report available to the public on the City's website.

CARRIED

3. Director of Community Services – AV Museum and Heritage Services – Alternate Delivery Options

Theresa Kingston, Director of Community Services provided an overview of her report dated March 20, 2017 regarding an alternative delivery model for the Alberni Valley Museum.

LATE ITEM: CUPE Local #118

It was moved and seconded:

That the letter dated March 23, 2017 from CUPE Local #118 requesting that Council consider options of keeping the Alberni Valley Museum open and staffed by their members, be received.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded:

WHEREAS Council for the City of Port Alberni is looking for a more cost effective way to operate and govern the Alberni Valley Museum;

AND WHEREAS the Tseshah and Hupacasath First Nations have expressed an interest in joining in talks with the City of Port Alberni in operating the Museum;

AND WHEREAS Director Kingston has provided Council with a report containing three options;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Port Alberni enter into talks with the Tseshah and Hupacasath First Nations to combine options 1 and 3 of the report and that a society similar to McLean Mill Society, or an agreed upon alternative, be formed and that the society be operational by January 1st 2018.

DEFEATED

It was moved and seconded:

That staff be directed to pursue the development of a tripartite agreement as outlined in Option 3 of the report dated March 20, 2017 from the Director of Community Services.

It was moved and seconded:

That the forgoing motion be amended to provide for a target completion date of January 1, 2018.

DEFEATED

The main motion was carried.

The meeting was recessed at 8:35 p.m. and reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

4. Current Status Report

Council requested that staff report back regarding the City's general regulation and licensing of dogs and the provision of parking enforcement within the City's business districts.

It was moved and seconded:

That the Current Status Report be received.

CARRIED

5. Managers' Monthly Reports

Providing information about current departmental operations.

Community Services (Parks, Recreation and Heritage)

It was moved and seconded:

That the monthly report from the Director of Community Services providing information about current departmental operations, be received.

CARRIED

G. BYLAWS

1. City Clerk - Public Hearing Report – March 13, 2017

It was moved and seconded:

That the report of the Public Hearing held March 13, 2017 regarding Bylaw No. 4931, be received.

CARRIED

2. "Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 2017-2021, Bylaw No. 4932"

It was moved and seconded:

That the report dated March 22, 2017 from the Director of Finance, be received.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded:

That "Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 2017 - 2021, Bylaw No. 4932", be now introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded:

That "Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 2017 - 2021, Bylaw No. 4932", be read a second time.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded:

That "Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 2017 - 2021, Bylaw No. 4932", be read a third time.

CARRIED

H. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

1. Port Alberni Friendship Centre

It was moved and seconded:

That the letter dated March 3, 2017 requesting reimbursement of development fees and a permissive tax exemption, be received.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded:

That the report dated March 21, 2017 from the Director of Development Services be received and that the Friendship Centre be advised of the process for permissive tax exemptions for the 2018 tax year and the request to reimburse the \$20,342.10 in Development Cost Charges be declined.

CARRIED

2. Dennis Dalla-Vicenza, Port Alberni Youth Centre

It was moved and seconded:

That the letter received March 15, 2017 requesting appointment of a liaison to the Port Alberni Youth Centre, be received and Councillor Sauvé be appointed.

CARRIED

I. PROCLAMATIONS NIL

J. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

1. Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills training and Minister Responsible for Labour

Letter received March 10, 2017 providing a copy of 'BC Jobs Plan 5 Year Update', also available at www.bcjobsplan.ca

2. RCMP - Municipal Policing Agreement

Letter dated March 15, 2017 providing expenditures as of February 28, 2017.

3. Bob Pfannenschmidt

Email dated March 10, 2017 expressing concern regarding expenditures to McLean Mill and requesting Council address all the variables in running the train and McLean's Mill before more money is committed.

4. Western Canada Marine Response Corporation (WCMRC)

Letter dated March 20, 2017 informing the City that WCMRC may be undertaking the construction of a new marine spill response base in Port Alberni including mooring vessels at the Water Street dock and construction of a combined office warehouse.

5. Carol Taylor – Mrs. Stevenson Water Connection

Email dated March 20, 2017 requesting Council's consideration of water supply to Mrs. Stevenson outside the City's boundaries.

6. LATE ITEM: Perry Bulwer – Reconciliation with First Nations

Letter dated March 26, 2017 expressing support for the Walk for Reconciliation and encouraging the City to move forward with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.

It was moved and seconded:

That Informational Correspondence items numbered 1 through 6 be received and filed.

CARRIED

K. REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

1. In-Camera Item

The Mayor reported that the City has reached an agreement to sell the City-owned property at 4730 Cherry Creek Road (approximately 3.5 acres) for \$255,000 to LPV Land Development for a new commercial development.

2. In-Camera Item

The Mayor reported that the City has entered into a land exchange agreement with an uptown property owner that provides for the transfer of four surplus City-owned lots on Alexander Road in exchange for the two parcels that make up the former Arrowview Hotel property on Athol Street, following the demolition of the building. The agreement is contingent upon full environmental abatement and demolition of the building to the City's satisfaction.

3. In-Camera Item

The Mayor reported that the City is pursuing the renewal of the Cooperation Protocol Agreement with the Tseshah First Nation and also a new Memorandum of Understanding with the Hupacasath First Nation.

L. COUNCIL REPORTS

1. Mayor's Report

It was moved and seconded:

That the Mayor's verbal report be received.

CARRIED

2. Regional District Report (Mayor Ruttan/Councillor McLeman)

It was moved and seconded:

That the Regional District verbal report be received.

CARRIED

3. Councillors' Reports

It was moved and seconded:

That the Councillors' verbal reports be received.

CARRIED

M. NEW BUSINESS

A Notice of Motion was provided in regards to directing staff to report on options for moving forward with an active bylaw enforcement plan to address derelict and vacant properties.

N. QUESTION PERIOD

The public and press was afforded an opportunity to ask questions of the Mayor and Council.

O. ADJOURNMENT

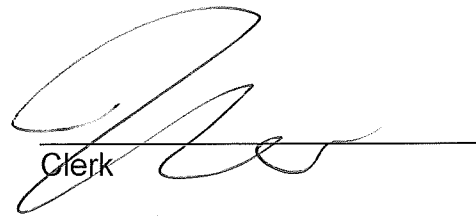
It was moved and seconded:

That the meeting adjourn at 9:35 p.m.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Mayor


Clerk