



The Village of
PORT CLEMENTS
"Gateway to the Wilderness"

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Port Clements Council held July 17, 2017 in Council Chambers.

12 members were in attendance for the public

Present:

Mayor Thomas
Councillor O'Brien Anderson
Councillor Stewart
Councillor Daugert
Councillor Cumming

CAO Kim Mushynsky
Deputy Clerk Ruby Decock
Intern Elizabeth Cumming

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. ADOPT AGENDA.

2017-187 – Moved by Councillor Daugert, seconded by Councillor Stewart
THAT Council adopts the agenda as amended adding D2 – Internet – Gwaii Communications
CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS.

D-1 – Gwaii Trust Director Berry Wijdeven re: Vibrant Communities

Director Wijdeven gave the background behind the decision to change the split for Graham Island Central for the Vibrant Communities Fund, and, by default, the Christmas Fund. Beginning in 2018 the split will change to 60/40 from the 70/30 it has been for many years. Although not happy Council conceded that the reasoning behind the change was fair.

D-2 – Joseph Lavoie – Gwaii Communications Internet Proposal

Mr. Lavoie outlined his company's concept for fiber optic access to all households in Port Clements and the Regional District areas where phone lines are available. Mr. Lavoie was looking for a \$100,000 commitment from the Village of Port Clements for this upgrade which he felt would provide improved internet speeds as well as other offerings such as cable television to residents for the next 20 years with an estimated cost to homeowners of \$250 initially to get set up. Council was cautioned, again, by the CAO, that the Section 25 of the Community Charter specifically disallows Municipalities from providing any form of financial assistance to "for profit" Businesses.

2017-188 – Moved by Councillor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councillor Daugert

THAT Council writes a letter to Gwaii Communications indicating their support of the concept of making fiber optic internet available to all households with access to telephone.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES.

M-1 – July 3, 2017 Regular Council meeting minutes

2017-189 - Moved by Councillor Daugert, seconded by Councillor Cumming

THAT Council adopts the July 3, 2017 Council Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED

Councilor Cumming left the meeting at 7:40pm due to a Conflict of Interest in the next agenda item.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

BA-1 – Museum lease agreement

2017-190 – Moved by Councilor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councilor Daugert

THAT Council approves the proposed lease agreement between the Village of Port Clements and the Port Clements Historical Society with the following amendments – items #3 & 4 be changed to reflect the fact that the Village of Port Clements will cover the costs for these insurances and adding a condition that the agreement be reviewed by Council and the Historical Society every 5 years.

CARRIED

Councilor Cumming returned to Council chambers at 8:25pm and resumed with the meeting.

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1 – Bathymetry of Water around Haida Gwaii

2017-191 – Moved by Councilor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councilor Stewart

THAT Council receives this report.

CARRIED

C-2 – Request to remove trees in Sunset Park in front of #244 Bayview

2017-192 – Moved by Councilor Cumming, seconded by Councilor O'Brien Anderson

THAT Council directs Public Works to liaison with Mr. Nicol to identify and approve the exact trees which will be topped, trimmed or removed, per our policy guidelines, keeping in mind that only the trees directly in front of lot #244 can be covered by this application.

CARRIED

6. GOVERNMENT

G-1 – Bursary policy #2 revision

2017-193– Moved by Councilor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councilor Daugert

THAT Council approves the minor revision to policy #2 as presented.

CARRIED

G-2 – Application for Junior and Regular PCVFD Membership

2017-194 – Moved by Councilor Daugert, seconded by Councilor Stewart

THAT Council approves the following new fire department members: Brian Whaley, Marcus deZwager, Derek Potter and Teri Kish.

CARRIED

7. FINANCE

F-1 – Cheque Listing to July 12th, 2017

2017-195 – Moved by Councilor Daugert, seconded by Councilor Cumming

THAT Council receives the cheque listing to July 12th, 2017.

CARRIED

F-2 – Revenue and Expense Report

2017-196 – Moved by Councilor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councilor Stewart

THAT Council receives the June 30, 2017 revenue and expense report as presented.

CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

Mayor Thomas – Taan open house – discussed back road maintenance (lots of tourists at Rennel Sound), BC Ferry survey – encouraged people to get it done before September
Councilor O'Brien Anderson – Noticing a lot of tourists on island
Councilor Daugert – Taan open house
Councilor Stewart – Budget mtg, heart goes out to individuals affected by fires in BC
Councilor Cumming – no report
CAO Mushynsky – No response required regarding earthquake in Russia earlier this afternoon
Deputy Decock – 2 weeks left to finish another of her UVic courses
Intern Cumming – started the Masset portion of her internship currently concentrating on Airport Management

10. ACTION ITEMS

A-1 – See attached Action Items List

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

Port Clements Historical Society representative Joan Hein asked Council if they would remove the PCHS financial documents from the Village of Port Clements' website. Council agreed to do so but would retain them as part of the agenda package that is kept on file in the Village office.

2017-197 – Moved by Councilor Daugert, seconded by Councilor O'Brien Anderson
THAT Council move to in-camera per Community Charter Section 90(1)(i)

Councilor Stewart left the meeting as Council moved in to in-camera at 8:55pm and did not return to the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

2017-198 Moved by Councilor Daugert
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 pm.



Urs Thomas
Mayor



Kim Mushynsky
Chief Administrative Officer