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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Port Clements Council held Monday, February 19, 2018 in Council Chambers.

Present:

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

Intern Elizabeth Cumming

Members of the Public and Press Present: Joan Hien, Jen Bailey, Marilyn Bliss, Maureen Bailey, Janine North, Greg Mors, Bev Lore, Craig Beachy, Pat Johnston, Aaron Cunningham, Randy O'Brien, Gloria O'Brien and Andrew Hudson.

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

1. ADOPT AGENDA.

2018-041 – Moved by Councillor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Daugert
THAT Council adopts the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS.

D-1— Request for Funding for PCVFD's 50th Anniversary – Teri Kish
DELEGATE NOT PRESENT AT MEETING. DELEGATION PASSED OVER.

3. MINUTES.

M-1—February 5, 2018 Regular Council Meeting minutes

2018-042 – Moved by Councillor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adopts the February 5, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1 – Request for support for Edge of the World Music Festival's application to NDIT

2018-043 – Moved by Councillor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councillor Stewart
THAT Council receives the request for support.

CARRIED

2018-044—Moved by Councillor Daugert, seconded by Councillor Cumming

THAT Council supports the application to NDIT from the Edge of the World Music Festival Society for a grant of up to \$5,000 for the 2018 Edge of the World Music Festival from the Fabulous Festivals and Events Program.

CARRIED

C-2-- Thank you Letter from the Port Clements Rangers

2018-45—Moved by Councillor Daugert, seconded by Councillor Stewart

THAT Council receives this letter.

CARRIED

C-3—Response letter from CRTC

2018-46—Moved by Councillor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councillor Daugert

THAT Council receives this letter.

CARRIED

2018-47—Moved by Mayor Thomas, seconded by Councillor Stewart

THAT staff sends a letter to Minister Sims including the CRTC response letter and Council's disappointment with it, and that it is CC'd to our MLA Jennifer Rice, Telus and Bell.

CARRIED

6. FINANCE

7. GOVERNMENT

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

R-1—Verbal Update by MIEDS regarding MIEDS activities, Community Grant Writer and the Community Forest Licence Agreement Offer as per Council Request – Janine North

R-2—RTC Clinic Addition – CAO Decock

2018-48--Moved by Councillor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councillor Daugert

THAT Council receives this report.

CARRIED

2018-49—Moved by Councillor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councillor Stewart

THAT Council tables this report to the strategic planning session on February 22nd, 2018.

CARRIED

R-3—Public Works' Progress Report to Council on Soccer Field – PW Supervisor O'Donoghue

2018-50—Moved by Councillor Daugert, seconded by Councillor Stewart

THAT Council receives this report.

CARRIED

2018-51—Moved by Councillor O'Brien Anderson, seconded by Councillor Stewart

THAT Staff investigates the proper equipment for the soccer field maintenance.

CARRIED

Councillor O'Brien Anderson: Nothing to report.

Councillor Cumming: Researching funding for weight rom. Attended Strategic Planning Meeting.

Councillor Daugert: Attended Strategic Planning Meeting and composed thoughts on Community Forest Offer.

Councillor Stewart: Nothing to report.

Mayor Thomas: Attended Strategic Planning Meeting, leaving to attend Regional District Meeting. Attending the Marine Planning Meetings and Fisheries Meetings.

Intern Cumming: Busy in the office. Most of day was spent dealing with surprises from power outage on Saturday with out Computers.

10. ACTION ITEMS

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

Gloria O'Brien: *Where is the Village with the Community Forest proposal?*

Council: *Public consultation is going on and we are looking for input.*

Gloria O'Brien: *We were told that BCTS would continue with regular timber sales until the Community Forest was a finalized deal, but they have stopped released timber sales now. Why is this happening and when will they release timber sales? This puts our logging company in immediate distress; we cannot plan things, and it has impacted other companies in the Village who are now selling their equipment and villagers who are leaving our community. Do you recognize the seriousness of what is happening to our community? Are we going to get any Timber Sales in the next two years?*

Council: *The Village and MIEDS do not control what BCTS is doing and are they are not withholding the wood. We are not the forester, and we do not know why BCTS are withholding the wood. People leaving our community hurts and we are greatly concerned by it.*

Gloria O'Brien: *Is the Community Forest workable and doable for our Community?*

Council: *There has been community consultation, which is ongoing, and concerns have been raised with the Community Forest proposal that will be considered in the consideration of the proposal. Many of the same concerns that you have brought forward are shared by Councillor Daugert, which he discussed in the verbal report from MIEDS earlier in the meeting, such as his concerns with the wood being taken from the Small Business Allocation if the reality of the wood supply is lower than the estimate in the proposal. FLNRO has many questions to answer with the Community Forest proposal.*

Gloria O'Brien: *Why are trees being cut down for \$0.25/metre on Island?*

Council: *We do not have an answer for that. Maybe the provincial government figures going over the big businesses would cost them more.*

Gloria O'Brien: *When does the 120 days response period end?*

Janine North, MIEDS: *A response is expected by mid-April, but an extension is most likely to be recommended after the public consultations.*

Gloria O'Brien: *Why did Husby's License, Seepa's Evergreen License, get rolled over?*

Council: *We do not have information on that matter as we are not involved with it.*

2018-52—Moved by Councillor Stewart, seconded by Councillor O'Brien Anderson

THAT Council requests a meeting with all the other communities on Island to attend an All-Community Meeting in Port Clements, as soon as it can be arranged by the CAO.

CARRIED

12. ADJOURN TO IN-CAMERA as per section 90(1)(c)

2018-53—Moved by Councillor Daugert, seconded by Councillor Stewart

THAT Council move to in-camera per 90(1)(c) after a two minute recess at 7:53 PM.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

2018-054 – Moved by Councilor Stewart

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:07 PM.

CARRIED

Urs Thomas
Mayor

Ruby Decock
CAO