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"Gateway to the Wilderness"

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, Monday, February 1st, 2021

Present:

Mayor Doug Daugert (by zoom)
Councillor Brigid Cumming (by zoom)
Councillor Kazamir Falconbridge (by zoom)
Councillor Ian Gould (by zoom)
Councillor Kelly Whitney-Gould (by zoom)

Acting CAO Elizabeth Cumming

Members of the Public and Press: Aaron Cunningham, Gloria O'Brien

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM

Mayor Daugert: I call to order this meeting of the Council of the Village of Port Clements being held on the traditional territory of the Haida People.

1. ADOPT AGENDA

2021-02-016—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adopts the February 1st, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Agenda with addition of "C-3 – Request for Revised Letter of Support – MIEDS".
CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

3. MINUTES

M-1—January 12th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
2021-02-017—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adopts the January 12th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.
CARRIED

M-2—January 20th, 2021 Special Council Meeting Minutes
2021-02-018—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council adopts the January 20th, 2021 Special Council Meeting Minutes as presented.
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BA-1— Rise & Report – In-Camera Council Meeting January 12th, 2021:

- Council is entering into an agreement with Northwest Hydraulic Consultants Ltd for the provision of consulting services to undertake the Haida Gwaii Coastal Erosion Study project
- Council supports the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) 2021 Grant Writer Support Program and 2021 Economic Capacity Building Program
- Council has established an Ad-Hoc CAO Hiring Committee for the CAO recruitment (with Mayor Daugert, Councillor Whitney-Gould, and Councillor Falconbridge on the committee).

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1—January 22, 2021 Board Highlights - NCRD
2021-02-019—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming

THAT the NCRD's January 2021 Board Highlights be received.

CARRIED

C-2—Implementing a Province-wide Ban on Anticoagulant Rodenticides - City of North Vancouver
2021-02-020—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council receives the correspondence from the City of North Vancouver on Implementing a Province-wide Ban on Anticoagulant Rodenticides.

CARRIED

C-3—Request for Revised Letter of Support – MIEDS

2021-02-021—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge

THAT Council supply an amended letter of support as per the request.

CARRIED

6. FINANCE

F-1—2021 Tax Revenue for Budget – Consultant Kim Mushynsky

2021-02-022—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge

THAT Council receives the report on 2021 Tax Revenue for Budget from Consultant Kim Mushynsky.

CARRIED

2021-02-023—Moved by Councillor Gould, seconded by Councillor Whitney-Gould

THAT Council use a portion of the COVID-19 restart grant to provide financial relief to residents and businesses in Port Clements by setting 2021 tax rates to receive approximately \$42,000 from business and \$60,000 from residential properties and covering the shortfall from normal tax collection rates with the grant.

CARRIED

7. GOVERNMENT

G-1— 2020 Activities Report – Vibrant Community Commission

2021-02-024—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Gould

THAT Council accepts the Vibrant Community Commission's 2020 Activities Report as presented.

CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

R-1—Regular Report on Current Operations – Elizabeth Cumming, Acting CAO

R-2—Vibrant Community Commission – Verbal – Chair Kelly Whitney-Gould

Commission Report: Commission Chair met with Lori, Elizabeth & Kim for meeting on how to address issues on whether to involve MIEDS with the Gwaii Trust Grant, for administering and hiring the tourism advocate. Decided to set MIEDS aside and came up with split way to manage tourism advocate contract at an arm's length. Went back to a meeting with the Commission on this and Commission agreed to set MIEDS aside and work with contract split – functional aspects of contract with the Office and Commission Chair. Also, redistribution of grant budget items, but no changes to total grant budget, due to changes in tourism advocate. Changes in St. Mark's, Social Media, and Beautification project amounts as well as the change to December 31st, 2021 for the end of grant. Some concern from the Commission around the possibility that tourism will not happen in 2021, but agreement that getting infrastructure and projects completed and in place gives a better opportunity to restart next year. Met with Elizabeth, Lori & Kim to confirm budget and timeline, and Kim is putting in the grant amendment, if it hasn't already happened. Everything is more or less the same, with the exception that MIEDS is being set aside as an option for administering the tourism advocate contract. Happy to do that through the office and get things moving forward.

Mayor Daugert:

January 13-attended via Zoom-Protocol Table meeting. There was a presentation by BC Hydro on the all-island energy initiative. At this time BC Hydro is looking at upgrades to the dam supplying hydro to the South end, a solar farm in Old Masset, biomass energy supplied by OMVC, and possibly Yourbrook Energy proposal for the next phase. Duffy Edgars identified that OMVC hopes to be providing the biomass for energy as a byproduct of their sawmill.

Jan. 14-Northern Health Stakeholder call-updates on case counts and concerns in Northern BC

Jan. 18-BCEHS Medical Transport call. BCEHS outlined the parameters they must work through in assigning medical transport and the reasons ambulances cannot wait with transported patients to return them to their communities.

Jan. 21-N. H stakeholder call questions on vaccine distribution. A slowdown in February to recently announced vaccine short shipments expected to catch up in March towards accomplishing the timetable set out on BCCDC.

MIEDS meeting-Highlights were not very significant, as most of the meeting was acceptance of financial statements and approval of budget going forward. The Board looked at the revised Business Survey related to COVID-19 and the revisions were acceptable to the Board, however not to the CHN. The story continues with another Board meeting tomorrow. FLNRORD has still not set a meeting date for Community Forest discussions.

Jan. 22-NWRHD TEAMS meeting. Communication was poor over the TEAMS platform with distortion and drop-offs a problem. Discussed capital requests for various upgrades to facilities including the isolation road at Norther Haida Gwaii Hospital, improvements to the phone systems in PR Hospital.

NCRD meeting-we reaffirmed Barry Pages as chair, discussed funding requests and studies proposed, and identified items for budgeting. Min. of Transportation and Highways supplied a delegation to address issues around erosion and slides. Work on repairs to the highway in Sandspit were to begin last week. An engineer to make a more thorough analysis is scheduled for later this month.

Jan. 23-NCRD Budget. The Board reviewed 36 separate accounts that form the budget, passing first and second reading on 22 and referring 14 to second reading for further discussion.

Jan. 25-Senior's Advocate-the numbers I was provided did not connect.

Jan. 28-Municipal affairs-After a brief update Communities were asked to identify major issues. Broadband access identified by many communities including Masset and QC. I identified that we may need additional help as we work with the Municipal structure and the First Nations response to COVID-19 to maintain an appropriate level of response.

Jan. 29-EMC via Zoom. We had a very short meeting to fulfill our bylaw requirement for a meeting. We set the Next meeting date for April 26, with possible change to accommodate participants. Councillor Falconbridge was helpful in identifying information we needed to make that meeting successful.

UPCOMING-MIEDS in camera Feb.2

Protocol Feb. 3 meet with new District Manager Haida Gwaii Forest District. I am hoping to present our case for return to regular and predictable timber sales.

More NH calls, but were not of significance to Port Clements.

Councillor Falconbridge: January 20th special meeting, January 12th regular meeting, good sanding on the roads this morning. Not sure why sanding trucks are not earlier (such as 6:00 AM – 7AM); icy conditions. Wet sand an issue, need to get shelter for coming winter.

Councillor Cumming: Sat on 29th special meeting, 12th and 20th special meeting. Got in touch with group that did strong and resilient businesses and got free access to information link.

Councillor Gould: VIRL meeting on Saturday, went well. Rosemary, the executive director, is retiring and had been involved in building 17 libraries on the coast in her term. New Chair, Debby Wixum and Vice Chair, Evan Putterill, is on the executive who will meet once a month to oversee the process. NDIT meeting.

Councillor Whitney-Gould: Reported activities in Commission report.

2021-02-025—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT the verbal reports from Council and Vibrant Community Commission, and the written report on current operations from Acting CAO Cumming be received.
CARRIED

10. ACTION ITEMS

A-1- Action Items List

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

12. IN-CAMERA

90(1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;
- (j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;

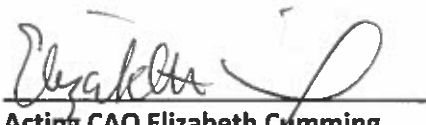
2021-02-026—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT the meeting moves In Camera as per 90(1) section (a) & (j) at 7:29 PM.
CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

2021-02-027—Moved by Councillor Cumming
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:53 PM.
CARRIED



Mayor Doug Daugert



Acting CAO Elizabeth Cumming