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"Gateway to the Wilderness"

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, Tuesday, April 6th, 2021

Present:

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

Acting CAO Elizabeth Cumming

Councillor Kelly Whitney-Gould (regrets)

Members of the Public and Press: None

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

2021-04-067—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Gould
THAT Council adopts the April 6th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.
CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

3. MINUTES

M-1— March 15th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
2021-04-068—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Gould
THAT Council adopts the March 15th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BA-1—SD#50 Bussing – Response Letter from SD#50
2021-04-069—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Gould
THAT Council receives the Response Letter from SD#50 regarding bussing to Port Clements AND Council directs Councillor Cumming to draft a response letter to bring back to Council for approval.
CARRIED

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1— INFO – March Board Highlights – North Coast Regional District
C-2—INFO – Bill C-213, the Canada Pharmacare Act update – MP Peter Julian, Don Davies & Jenny Kwan
C-3—INFO – March Board Highlights – North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA)
C-4—INFO – 2020 Street Lighting Rate – City of Prince George

- C-5—INFO – Opioid Crisis and Call for Overdose Action Plan – City of Prince George
- C-6—INFO – February Regional Calls – Ministry of Municipal Affairs
- C-7—INFO – ICBC Report on Premiums and Claims -- NCLGA
- C-8—INFO – Aquatic Invasive Species Enforcement – District of Sicamous
- C-9—INFO – Invasive Asian Clams – District of Sicamous
- C-10—INFO—Fair Taxation from Railway Operations & Industrial Parks – City of Pitt Meadows
- C-11—INFO – study participation invitation— Broadband Internet Speed- Connected Communities
Note: Village Office tested rate was 44.9 – 51.3 Mbps

2021-04-070—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Gould
 THAT Council receives the correspondence items C-1 to C-11 for information.
CARRIED

C-12—REQUEST – letter of support – Paramedic PCP Training -- Haida Gwaii Community Futures
 2021-04-071—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Gould
 THAT Council writes a letter of support for Haida Gwaii Community Futures’s application to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training for the Paramedic PCP Training as requested.
CARRIED

C-13—REQUEST— consideration of undertaking same action– Help Cities Lead – City of Victoria/City of North Vancouver
 2021-04-072—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Gould
 THAT Council receives the requests on the Help Cities Lead program from the City of Victoria and City of North Vancouver.
CARRIED

C-14—REQUEST – adopt resolution – Delivering Community Power – Canadian Union of Postal Workers
 2021-04-073—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Gould
 THAT Council receives the request on the Delivering Community Power from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers.
CARRIED

6. FINANCE

F-1—Financial Plan Bylaw 2021-2025
 2021-04-074—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
 THAT Council does 1st, 2nd, 3rd reading AND pass and adopt “The Financial Plan for the years 2021 – 2025 - Bylaw #462, 2021”.
CARRIED

7. GOVERNMENT

G-1—COVID-19 Exposure Control Plan and Hazard Assessments – Municipal Facilities – Consultant Lori Wiedeman
 2021-04-075—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
 THAT Council adopts the presented Pandemic Exposure Control Program COVID-19 and Hazard Assessments for the municipal facilities on the understanding that it they will be adjusted as required to match Provincial Health Orders and any necessary revisions to reopening timeline.
CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

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

R-2—BCEDA Seminar Report – Mayor Doug Daugert

R-3—Mayor's Report March 16 – April 6, 2021 – Mayor Doug Daugert

Mayor Daugert: Was a protocol meeting where the Protocol Table discussed the letter regarding internet and broadband, which Port Clements signed off on at our previous meeting. The Protocol Table signed off on it as well. Fairly long discussion on COVID-19 and increased cases in Northern Health, but at the same time they accelerated the vaccination schedule. This coming meeting, tomorrow, they were going to have more information on possible reopening conditions/plans. Don't know if this latest outbreak will effect that. At prior Council Meeting we briefly discussed stairs adjacent to Rainbow Wharf, project originally proposed to be undertaken by Vibrant Community Commission, but because of the COVID shutdowns they will not be able to take it on this year, since it is not practical, we do need to direct staff in a new direction to accomplish this. Asking to include discussion to establish direction at our next Regular Council Meeting ie to get staff to look into the legalities/boundaries and to move it in a timely fashion. Request for call in with Gaagwiis regarding Community Forest. Forestry put themselves in a bind by issuing some volume licences and a management stranglehold that they won't be able to get out of without upsetting some people. No idea what direction things will actually take. Would like to find out the direction the Haida will take, as they are technically looked at as 50% partners with the Province though their influence may be greater. Scheduling MIEDS Board Meetings next week to discuss it, not sure of the buy-in is on the issue. Barry Pages hates quitting now, if there is a can worth kicking at, we should kick it. No commitments would be made without returning to the various councils.

Councillor Cumming: Not done a whole lot, did participate in a round-table discussion on the results of a survey conducted by Kazda Thomas, a Councillor in Smithers (Terrace?), on local officials' retention, representation diversity and barriers.

Councillor Gould: Three main meetings – NDIT: one element of interest was provincial presentation on internet connectability between the different communities and federal/provincial funding opportunities. Regional District will take up some action with Tlell issues. New satellite provider coming on stream that should work well for remote communities like Tlell. VIRL: follow-through will plans/updates, still looking at CAO departure at end of the year, entering a process with a hiring committee. Forestry Meeting BCTS/FLNRO: Did not take a lot of negativity from it, so much uncertainty with process, where things are going, viability of logging here, the understanding that they are overcommitted already on licenses to fit a community forest in. There may be solutions down the road, but many things are not their-side related. Doug and him were the only community representatives at the meeting, do not see buy-in from other communities that he would like to see to move forward. Not sure how it will work for Port Clements but will still be problematic. Challenges with seeing role of MIEDS in these types of things, as he does not see the buy-in for MIEDS in other communities that he would like to see. Thinks it is an issue we will have to look at and address. Take away: First Nation Wood lot licence is unlikely to fall, cannot see that BCTS giving up their portion and allowing that to fall, so the cutback in the TS area will proportionally fall on Husby and Community Forest. Highly problematic in his perspective of how that will work out, but we will not know until Province announces those numbers.

Councillor Falconbridge: Not a lot to report, attending a lot of the CAO Hiring Committee Meetings. PAC will do a presentation/delegation at the next School Board meeting regarding the Bussing.

2021-04-076—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming

THAT Council receives the written and verbal reports from Council and Acting CAO Cumming as presented.

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:

- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;


2021-04-077—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council the meeting moves in Camera as per section 90(1) section (e) at 8:09 PM.
CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

2021-04-079—Moved by Councillor Cumming
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:24 PM.
CARRIED



Mayor Doug Daugert



Acting CAO Elizabeth Cumming