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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, Monday, March 21st, 2022

Present:

Mayor Doug Daugert
Councillor Brigid Cumming
Councillor Ian Gould
Councillor Kelly Whitney-Gould
Councillor Kazamir Falconbridge

CAO Marjorie Dobson
Deputy CAO Elizabeth Cumming

Members of the public: Craig Beachy, Sgt. Damon MacDonald (Delegation),

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

2022-03-080—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adopts the March 21st, Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.
CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

D-1—Policing Reports - Sgt. Damon MacDonald, Masset RCMP Detachment

3. MINUTES

M-1—March 7th, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

2022-03-081—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Whitney-Gould
THAT Council adopts the March 7th, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.
CARRIED

M-2—March 15th, 2022, Special Council Meeting Minutes

2022-03-082—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adopts the March 15th, 2022, Special Council Meeting Minutes as presented.
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1—REQUEST—Condemning Russian Invasion of Ukraine – Village of New Denver

2022-03-083—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council receives the request to condemn the Russian Invasion of Ukraine from the Village of New Denver.
CARRIED

C-2—REQUEST—Support for Resolutions – City of Abbotsford
2022-03-084—Moved by Councillor Whitney-Gould, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council receives the request for support for resolutions from the City of Abbotsford.
CARRIED

C-3—INVITATION—Current Electoral District Boundaries - BC Electoral Boundaries Commission
2022-03-085—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Whitney-Gould
THAT Council receives the invitation on the current electoral district boundaries from the BC Electoral
Boundaries Commission.
CARRIED

6. FINANCE

F-1—2022 Budget – Public Review/Finalization prior to Presentation of Financial Bylaw
2022-03-086—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adopts the 2022 Budget as presented.
CARRIED

7. GOVERNMENT

G-1—2022 Budget Request - Recreation Commission & Vibrant Community Commission
2022-03-087—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Whitney-Gould
THAT Council approves the 2022 Budget Requests from the Recreation Commission and Vibrant
Community Commission.
CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

R-1—INFO - Regular Report on Current Operations – CAO Marjorie Dobson

Mayor Daugert: *Attended a MIEDS special meeting to approve Chantal Bacchus as a co-signer on the accounts to continue doing business while Jennifer Rutt is away on medical. Attended a Northwest Regional Hospital District meeting on Friday, attended via teams due to distance, meeting time and being a short meeting - It was for the final reconsideration and adoption of the budget that they did 3rd reading on. On Friday evening, attended a North Coast Regional District Meeting, which had the 3rd reading to most of the budget requests, there were also two land applications – one for minor use of agricultural land reserved for non-agricultural purposes around having maintenance areas around the LNG pipeline between Prince Rupert and Terrace, and one associated with the Sandspit golf course. The golf course is looking at improvements and lease of crown lands for vacation cabins between the airport and tidal zones. Felt that they would be year-round rentals (storm watching), etc. While there is a number of concerns of using crown land for private development it was found that there was a very strong need in Sandspit, so quite a number of conditions were put on (8 or so), such as requirement for environmental assessment and Council of the Haida Nation approval with this request – but with those conditions it was passed by the North Coast Regional District. On Saturday morning, had a meeting to go over the Strategic Plan – where they were at for accomplishing goals. Very useful meeting in that it got everyone updated and understanding where we are at. Some areas where they are falling behind, quite a bit of time discussing the solid island waste management plan and where it was going. What they could do but is waiting for the technical advisory committee getting together over the next year coming up with and refining the plan to manage the dump, both recycling and solid waste management was discussed. The Regional District is still in the air to get a permanent headquarters, as Prince Rupert is still kicking around major development plans but nothing firm. In the meantime, private property has become more expensive and some of it is being bought up and developed, so the options may be shrinking, but they are keeping their eyes open on the real estate and construction market for opportunity. Their rental quarters are not really adequate and may lose the boardroom area. Probably must find another space for the meetings. Briefly touched on the shoreline erosion and riprap how to keep pressure on the Minister of Environment and Highways to be involved in this.*

Councillor Cumming: Did not make the Special Council Meeting on the 15th but made the Recreation Meeting on the 10th. Recreation Commission is thinking of doing something for easter, but not sure what.

Councillor Falconbridge: Attended March 15th Special Council Meeting, missed the PTAC committee (solid waste committee), looked through their materials but nothing specific to report (there is link to the information on the North Coast Regional District's website). Few more meetings before they finalize what they are presenting.

Councillor Gould: With the Vancouver Island Regional Library, the BCGEU element of staff are on strike, representing 12% of the workforce, creating hassles down south, we only have one member on Island. There has been some entrenchment on both sides, the library board met last Friday to discuss options & where they are at, the executive has been moving the mandate along and coming back to the regular board for feedback. Both the BCGEU & CUPE agreed to a 2-year contract earlier this year but had 2021 as retroactive and 2022 as current. The big challenge the library board has is that it cannot change the budgets from last year and this year in a 3-year agreement with BCGU, so it puts a lot of pressure in the 3rd year on how to negotiate. It also sets up CUPE for a very good position as they go into their negotiation in 2022. So, the library board is in a bit of a predicament. NDIT meeting on Friday, will be a phone-in. Went to the meeting at the bird tower, but the engineer was not able to come – pressed upon Hector that the wood we have available makes it difficult to cut 2x12s, got a lot of pushback on structural integrity (though contractors did concede that 2x8s probably can work, but they want the engineering report) – identified that whatever plan we come up with we want to tailor it to the wood supply we have, and that anything not in supply might take a while to get it.

Councillor Whitney-Gould: Site visit with Kim at the swimming hole, had a look at the outhouse and put some beautification towards it. Reconfirmed where commission planned for things to be, things are moving forward. Attended March 15th Special Council Meeting.

2022-03-088—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Whitney-Gould
THAT Council receives the written and verbal reports from Council and CAO Marjorie Dobson.
CARRIED

10. ACTION ITEMS

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

Question-Craig Beachy, Fire Chief: More of an update rather than question – Fire Department likely to need a new tanker for the Fire Department, will have a formal request for the grant writer to have a look for funding for it soon. They are watching the BC Auction for a used one (hard to find one). It is usually \$250-300,000 for a new one; last one bought used was bought for \$12,000. Something the Fire Department is working towards.

Answer: Thank you. A plan that has some firm numbers in it would make it easier for getting grants.

12. IN-CAMERA

2022-03-089—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council moves in-camera as per section 90(2)(a) of the Community Charter at 8:20 PM.
CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

2022-03-090—Moved by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adjourns this meeting at 8:27 PM
CARRIED


Mayor Doug Daugert


CAO Marjorie Dobson