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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, Tuesday, April 19th, 2022

Present:

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

CAO Marjorie Dobson
Deputy CAO Elizabeth Cumming

Members of the public: None

Meeting Called to Order at 7:03 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

2022-04-104—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adopts the April 19th, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.
CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

3. MINUTES

M-1—April 4th, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Minutes
2022-04-105—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Whitney-Gould
THAT Council adopts the April 4th, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Minutes with correction of Motion 2022-04-093 to correct mover and seconder to remove duplication.
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1—INFO/INVITATION—proposed permanent forest service road deactivation--Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resources Operations and Rural Development
2022-04-106—Moved by Councillor Gould, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council tables receiving the proposed permanent forest service road deactivation information/invitation from the Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resources Operations and Rural Development until the pdf map file is sent to Council.
CARRIED

6. FINANCE

F-1—1st Quarter 2022 Financial Report – Senior Finance Manager Ronda Bell
2022-04-107—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Whitney-Gould
THAT Council receives the 1st Quarter 2022 Financial Report from Senior Finance Manager Ronda Bell.
CARRIED

7. GOVERNMENT

G-1—1st Quarter 2022 Grants Report – Grant Writer Andrew Hudson
2022-04-108—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council receives the 1st Quarter 2022 Grants Report from Grant Writer Andrew Hudson.
CARRIED

G-2—1st Quarter 2022 Strategic Plan Progress Report -- CAO Marjorie Dobson
2022-04-109—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council receives the 1st Quarter 2022 Strategic Plan Progress Report from CAO Marjorie Dobson.
CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

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

Mayor Daugert:

April 8th -- Meeting with Lisa Beare, Minister of Citizen Services, discussing the Connected Coast/Connect BC. Interesting, but little factual information given out. Asked about whether Telus subscribers would be connected at the same time as Citywest subscribers and was assured that everyone would get equal access and that it was taken care of in the sharing agreements. They probably will not be hooking anyone else until Fall with the sub-sea fibre-optic line, until they have sold as many packages as they can in Queen Charlotte and Masset as they will be putting it all online at the same time. Timing may vary by 3 months, but we will all be getting it according to all the agencies.

April 12th – Zoom meeting with FLNRORD, MIEDS and NCRD regarding the timber supply and allocation issues around the Haida Gwaii Community Forest Application. In the 2019 Timber Supply Review, the AAC of all of Haida Gwaii was reduced, but not all areas were affected equally. The TFLs, situated on the prime forests, regenerate the fastest, while the TSA encompasses more marginal areas which renew much slower, resulted in more significant decrease to the harvestable volumes. As an example, the area identified as the Community Forest area in the 2016/2017 mapping was indicated to supply a harvestable volume of approximately 80,000 m3 per year. Under the most recent analysis the HGMC has recommended a cut of 48,000 m3 per year, which is a 60% cutback. On reflections, it appears that all the reduction in the AAC for TSA 25 fall on the Community Forest Area. I do not have the information to understand if this is based on scientific analysis or politics. At this stage we do not know if this area really needs anything or what we will get but thinks that other players are involved (Husby, Dawson Harbour, A&A trading – according to their regulations they cannot reduce Dawson Harbour, but A&A, Husby and the Community Forest can be reduced). The Minister has a number of options on how they can proceed going forward, and they are casting out for a solution. They asked MIEDS to propose solutions from the communities on what we would like to do around this volume and around the potential. He is trying to get together a meeting of MIEDS representatives at the end of the month/start of next month to put together a package for some info to work on and layout the ground rules that the ministry has to operate under. They want options that are prioritized; they want to hear our input on it as they do not have clearly an understanding of where they wish to go either. These options at least for now revolve around the same area and what it would produce. Splitting between community forest and BTS logging, with 50% of revenue from logging going to communities on a reduced volume. The old split was 60/40, how we want to break this up is probably what they are looking for. Commonly this is a use of the community forest to give areas alternate ways to deal with the timber – selective logging, carbon credits. Asked Mayor Olson to get their ask into a shape file, and they'll be asking that for all communities. Not sure where, think it will be difficult for the communities to work together on this if they have different priorities – wanting a big chunk to set aside, or on equity and equality. This is going to haunt us over the next few months and hoping there isn't too much blood on the floor when we're done. Going to have more questions to ask Steven Rogers but hoping to do a write up on what the options are, the realities is, so we all have the same background information.

April 13th – Zoom meeting with “Step up to Step Code” to raise awareness of the changes to the BC Residential Building Code, which applies to all residential construction in BC. The Province has decided that all new residential construction will have to comply to their new standard by the end of 2022 to increase the energy efficiency of structures by 20%, with increases to 40% savings of energy by 2027 and 80% by 2032. The Province proposes having an Energy Auditor involved in planning and testing the finished build to tell if it is capable of limited air exchange to 0.6 air exchanges per hour. Several contractors were interviewed that are currently working with the new standard and gave glowing reports. I have some reservations about this new standard, especially in a mild but damp climate, as it traps moisture in the house as well as keeping heat in, which will cause rotting and mold issues. Any moisture trapped during constructions will remain trapped, so everything must be dry before sealing walls, and the danger from use of products that have toxic outgassing will be severe. Does not think it is a good building practice, based on his experience. See it causing a whole bunch of trouble, glad that we are not the ones responsible for enforcing it. See it as a push that builders need to be a certified home builder that is paid into the liability fund to get registered to be able to build.

April 14th – Zoom meeting with Shaye Draper of Telus regarding the removal of the last payphone, they are already gone now. The contractor that serviced all of Telus’ payphones has declined to renew their contract for maintenance of payphones, and there is no one else to replace them, so Telus has no service provider. As well, parts are becoming unavailable as they are becoming obsolete. Most recent records from 2019 indicate the phone near Bayview market was used 17 times in that year. Records are not entirely reliable, since they are a result of counting the number of quarters by the contractor. Telus identified that they will supply a business line for a community that wants a public phone (\$100/month) and leave it there – otherwise suggestions to install a free payphone, but there are problems with that for managing. It would take some thought, but Shaye Draper is a very personable guy willing to try to help us out, without making any promises.

April 19th – there was a meeting with Nathan Cullen and Emergency Services, via Teams. He signed onto it and discovered it was the spring freshest as they were talking about the flooding planning, which does not involve us.

Councillor Whitney-Gould: Attended site visit at the Swimming Hole with Marjorie, finalizing where things are going to go/outhouse. Attended regular meetings and will be going to the MLA meeting tomorrow and advocating for two crosswalks on Bayview, and speed limits on Bayview being reduced, sidewalks on Bayview (downtown core).

Councillor Gould: Historical challenges with highways to get things done – even maintenance. NDIT meeting a couple of weeks ago, 2nd of 4 meetings for the year – our allocations are completely used up for the year, approved for Seaview Grant project. \$1.9 million grant projects allocated, which is challenging. Had a lot of VIRT meetings due to the strike, there will be a board meeting for tentative settlement ratification. Challenge that both deals are retroactive and setting the library board for an expensive contract for next year with CUPE.

Councillor Cumming: Sat in on the connect communities BC zoom meeting, Emergency Management Commission meeting on the 12th, sat in on the All-Island Emergency Management Commission meeting on zoom on the 13th (we may host the next meeting in Council Chambers at the end of May/June). Port Clements Recreation Commission meeting on 14th, got the news on the successful grant for the Community Park Improvement Project and also held an Easter Event on Sunday with the Easter Bunny visiting the Museum with easter baskets for children/tweens.

Councillor Falconbridge: Nothing to report. Did not attend Emergency Management Commission Meeting or Recreation Easter Event.

2022-04-110—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Whitney-Gould
THAT Council receives the written and verbal reports from Council and CAO Marjorie Dobson.
CARRIED

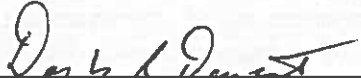
10. ACTION ITEMS

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

12. IN-CAMERA

13. ADJOURNMENT

2022-04-111—Moved by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adjourns this meeting at 8:30 PM.
CARRIED



Mayor Doug Dauger



CAO Marjorie Dobson