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"Gateway to the Wilderness"

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7:00 PM Regular Meeting of Council, Monday, May 15th, 2023

Present:

Mayor Scott Cabianca
Councillor Brigid Cumming - via conferencing
Councillor Kazamir Falconbridge – via conferencing
Councillor Dennis Reindl

Not Present:

Councillor Wayne Nicol

Acting CAO Elizabeth Cumming

Members of the public: Marilyn Bliss, Maureen Bailey, Bev Lore, Ian Gould and Wayne Hann.

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM

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

1. ADOPT AGENDA

2023-05-117—Moved by Councillor Reindl, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adopts the May 15th, 2023, Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.
CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

3. MINUTES

M-1—April 17th, 2023, Regular Council Meeting Minutes
2023-05-118—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Mayor Cabianca
THAT the April 17th, 2023, Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

M-2—April 19th, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes
2023-05-119—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Reindl
THAT the April 19th, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

M-3—April 27th, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes
2023-05-120—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Reindl
THAT the April 27th, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes be adopted with the correction to remove "via conferencing" from besides Councillor Falconbridge's name as he attended the meeting in person.
CARRIED

M-4—May 5th, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes
2023-05-121—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Mayor Cabianca
THAT the May 5th, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

M-5—May 8th, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes
2023-05-122—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Reindl
THAT the May 8th, 2023, Special Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

M-6—May 8th, 2023, Committee of the Whole Minutes
2023-05-123—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Mayor Cabianca
THAT the May 8th, 2023, Committee of the Whole Minutes be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

UB-1-- Potential Land Opportunities – Jen Ford, Union of BC Municipalities
2023-05-124—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council recommends sending the recommend list (folios 20033130, 20033140, 20033150, and 20033250) of properties for housing development to the provincial government/UBCM to add to their list.
CARRIED

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1—INFORMATION – 2023 Economic Development Capacity Building – Northern Development
C-2—INFORMATION – 2022 Community Relations Annual Report – BC Hydro
C-3—INFORMATION – Emergency Preparedness Resources – Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness.
2023-05-125—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Mayor Cabianca
THAT Council receives C-1, C-2 and C-3 for information.
CARRIED

C-4—INFORMATION/INVITATION – Proposed Forest Service Roads Deactivation – Haida Gwaii Natural Resource District
2023-05-126—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Reindl
THAT Council receives the C-4, Proposed Forest Service Roads Deactivation, from the Haida Gwaii Natural Resource District for information.
CARRIED

C-5—INFORMATION/INVITATION – Child Sex Trafficking, Sexual Exploitation – Cathy Peters
2023-05-127—Moved by Councillor Reindl, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council receives C-5, Child Sex Trafficking, Sexual Exploitation, from Cathy Peters for information.
CARRIED

C-6—REQUEST—Garbage/Debris Complaint on Neighbouring Property -- Gloria & Randy O'Brien
2023-05-128—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council refers this item to staff for review and to look into for response/follow up.
CARRIED

C-7—REQUEST – Dog Park – Harmonie Blais
2023-05-127—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council receives the request for a Dog Park from Harmonie Blais.
CARRIED

2023-05-128—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming

THAT Council directs staff to write a letter to Harmonie Blais that identifying that Council currently has a limited capacity to take on new projects, as it has several projects outstanding, but will consider the idea at a later time.

CARRIED

Mayor Cabianca declared conflict of interest for C-8 as he is employed by O'Brien Road & Bridge Maintenance Ltd and left the meeting at 7:31 PM

C-8—REQUEST -- Use of Rainbow Wharf – O'Brien Road & Bridge Maintenance Ltd
2023-05-128—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council receives the request for Use of the Rainbow Wharf from O'Brien Road & Bridge Maintenance Ltd.

CARRIED

2023-05-129—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council calls a Special In-Camera Council meeting before the end of May to review the background information on this matter and make a decision following that and determine a course of action.

CARRIED

Mayor Cabianca returned to the meeting at 7:43 PM

6. FINANCE

7. GOVERNMENT

G-1—Grant Opportunities, Feasibility Study Consideration – Deputy CAO
2023-05-129—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council looks at applying to this fund (whether it is this year or next year) and direct staff to bring a list of suitable projects back to Council to select from.

CARRIED

G-2—Community Policing Report – Sgt. Damon MacDonald, Masset RCMP
2023-05-130—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council receives the Community Policing Report from Sgt. Damon MacDonald for information.

CARRIED

G-3—1st Quarter 2023 Grants Report – Andrew Hudson, Grant Writer
2023-05-131—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Reindl
THAT Council receives the 1st Quarter 2023 Grants Report from Andrew Hudson, Grant Writer.

CARRIED

G-4—Recommendations from COTW
2023-05-132—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Reindl
THAT Council receives the recommendations from the May 8th, 2023, Committee of the Whole Meeting.

CARRIED

2023-05-133—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council accepts the recommendations from the May 8th, 2023, Committee of the Whole Meeting on the topic of Municipal Capacity and directs staff to act on the recommendations.

CARRIED

2023-05-134—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Falconbridge
THAT Council directs public works to reduce the mowing frequency within reason, as weather permits, from once a week and to report back to Council in July on how it is going.

CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

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

R-2 -- INFO -- The Bidding Process – CAO Marjorie Dobson

R-3 – INFO -- Sunset Park Revitalization Project – Project manager- Kim Mushynsky

Mayor Cabianca: Attended strategic planning weekend with the Regional District in Tlell. Main topics revolved around housing concerns, erosion, and bylaws. Other communities are interested in the M&B Subdivision talks. The Regional District is working on ideas to address affordable housing in the region. Off Island during the Village Cleanup while off-island/childcare duty, thank you to staff, volunteers and everyone who assisted. Unfortunate deaths in Daajing Giids.

Councillor Cumming: Attended COTW meeting last Monday, May 8th, went to OCP open house on May 13th, have another meeting tomorrow night. Will not be able to attend Recreation Commission Meeting. Two weeks ago had a meeting with Community Futures and recommended to approve a loan for a business in Masset. Identified that Council may want to support Gwaii Trust on Athlii Trust to assist them in the process with the province. Will bring this back to Council later.

Councillor Falconbridge: Missed April 17th Regular Council Meeting due to first responder training (urban search & rescue). Unable to help with Village Cleanup due to childcare obligations. Attended the May COTW Meeting. Attended OCP Open house on May 13th at the Community Hall, appreciation for the volunteers who made the Community Hall ready and assisted with the OCP Open House. Brought up that housing discussion has not included Airbnb considerations, noting that whole houses and apartment, residences, which are not Bed & Breakfast facilities. Suggestion that Port Clements can look at bylaws to look at regulating where Airbnbs can occur. He will be off-island next weekend.

Councillor Reindl: Involved with the Village Cleanup, mostly on the Friday. Worked with the O'Brien Crew and the truck & loader. It went well. We had people phone in and register with the Village by the Thursday before Friday to have a list of people with debris. It worked out very well. Had a couple jump in but it did not disrupt the operation. Some people wanted reloads, but if they came late to the party with garbage that the container was up in the public works yard. Think it went well, and that a thank you letter was sent by the office. Would like to have a review of the costs of that, have some ideas that may help to make it more efficient or suitable for the next time they have it. As the representative for Council on MIEDS, a new director has been hired, Jennifer Rutt, she has been at it for a couple of weeks. She has called a meeting for May 24th. She has been involved with MIEDS before and has a good handle on things and direction MIEDS should be going. Did attend a meeting with the Port Clements Housing and Restoration Society, that went well and is moving forward.

2023-05-136—Moved by Councillor Reindl, seconded by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council receives the verbal and written reports from Staff, Consultant and Council as presented.

CARRIED

10. ACTION ITEMS

A-1—Action Item List

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

Question – Ian Gould: Attended OCP Open House (on the 13th), personally disappointed. Was not approached by anyone and had limited conversation. The OCP is the most important document for the Village, especially for grant applications and the rest of the province, and how things run. It spells out what you want to do and is very important for things like housing, economic diversification, etc. It needs to be forthright and clear in the document, with that information available. When the current OCP was developed (2012/2013) he believes they did 7 or 8 open houses/public meetings. They were not all well attended, it's a challenge, but the bones were put in place for what we wanted to achieve.

Question – Ian Gould: When it comes to Airbnbs, not sure how you would rectify/actively change the situation when we cannot enforce our bylaws.

Question – Ian Gould: Would like to remind Council that if you proceed with the O'Brien's unloading salt at Rainbow Wharf without commercial insurance, you should get an opinion from the Municipal Insurance Association of BC on what your actual liability person is as they will not cover it.

Answer: Thank you for the feedback.

Question – Wayne Hann: Council really needs to look at the insurance aspect and that it would need to be recovered, billed out, to the O'Briens. It should be considered to have tarps over the dock so that the trucks did not lose excess materials, and a safety person at the dock to oversee things (to keep people off the docks and away from the vehicles) – all paid by the O'Briens. I think we all agree that the O'Briens are a valuable asset to our community, in multiple ways, and everything should be done to accommodate them, but safety and additional costs should be recovered if insurance can be acquired.

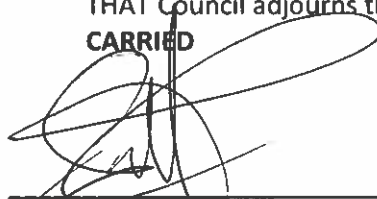
Answer: Thank you for your feedback.

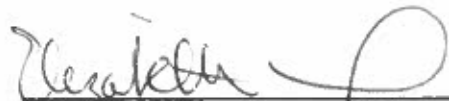
12. IN-CAMERA

13. ADJOURNMENT

2023-05-137—Moved by Councillor Cumming
THAT Council adjourns this meeting at 8:31 PM.

CARRIED



Mayor Scott Cabianca

Acting CAO Elizabeth Cumming