

**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting,
held in Council Chambers on Wednesday February 4, 2015**

Present: Mayor P. Ives
Councillors R. Arnott, K. Grant, M. Grant,
H. MacKinnon, B. Price, M. Swift

Absent: Nil

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Agenda was Adopted.

There were 6 visitors in attendance.

1. DELEGATIONS:

- a. **Bill Toews (Cambridge Heights Neighborhood) Review process and update of our neighborhood subdivision**

Cambridge Heights

Mr. Toews described his Cambridge Heights Neighbourhood subdivision proposal. He stated that the proposal has been revised over the years, and that he thinks it is now a much better development, with generous community green space and park land dedication. He also stated that the R3.2 zoning that is being sought will allow for secondary suites and carriage houses. Mr. Toews expects construction to start this year.

2. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

- a. **Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

RCM Minutes

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, held in Council Chambers on Wednesday January 21, 2015, be Approved.

(15.030) -- CARRIED

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS: NIL

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. **Management Report - February 04, 2015**

Management Report

That the Management Report for February 4, 2015 be received and filed for information.

(15.031) -- CARRIED

5. SPECIAL REPORTS: NIL

6. BYLAWS:

- a. **Bylaw 1797: Comox Water Rates and Regulations Bylaw Amendment No. 21, 2015**

Water Rates

That Bylaw 1797: Comox Water Rates and Regulations Bylaw Amendment No. 21, 2015 be Adopted.

(15.032) -- CARRIED

b. Bylaw 1798: Comox Sewer User Rates Bylaw Amendment No. 10, 2015

Sewer User Rates

That Bylaw 1798: Comox Sewer User Rates Bylaw Amendment No. 10, 2015 be Adopted.

(15.033) -- CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Emterra Contract Renewal

Emterra Contract Renewal

That Council receive the staff memo titled "Emterra Contract Renewal" and authorize renewal of the Emterra Contract for an additional five years (to expire March 31, 2020) with unit rates to be indexed based 90% on the Vancouver CPI and 10% on the index for diesel fuel in BC.

(15.034) -- CARRIED

b. Notice of Motion - Councillor Russ Arnott

Notice of Motion

Councillor Arnott explained that there is a desire for greater food services in Marina Park, and that he would like to see the Town build on the success of the one trailer that has proved itself. He would like to see the five parking spaces in the east parking lot, closest to the washrooms, removed in favour of a dedicated area for food vendors. Councillor Arnott explained that he believes this to be a very low cost first step in vitalizing Marina Park.

That the matter of creating temporary space for food vendors in Marina Park during the 2015 summer season be referred to staff for a report on logistics, protocols and other details.

(15.035) -- CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Wendy Prothero - Thank you

Ellis Street Traffic Calming

That the January 14, 2015 letter from Wendy Prothero, suggesting that the Town install a traffic table or hump on Ellis Street for traffic calming purposes, be received and filed for information.

(15.036) -- CARRIED

b. Rick Gibson (Comox Valley Snow to Surf Society) Requesting permission to use Marina Park

Snow to Surf

That the January 15, 2015 letter from Rick Gibson of the Comox Valley Snow to Surf Society, requesting the use of Marina Park and the closure of the boat launch facilities on Sunday April 26, 2015, be received and permission granted.

(15.037) -- CARRIED

c. Craig Tompkins (Wounded Warriors Run) Request for event approval

Wounded Warriors Run

That the January 26, 2015 letter from Craig Tompkins, requesting permission for the Wounded Warriors Run event to pass through Comox on February 17, 2015, be received and permission granted.

(15.038) -- CARRIED

d. Mayor Leslie Baird (Village of Cumberland) Comox Valley Economic Development Commission Service Withdrawal

Economic Development Commission

That the January 27, 2015 letter from Cumberland Mayor Leslie Baird, advising of the Village of Cumberland's request to withdraw from the Comox Valley Economic Development Service, be received and filed for information.

(15.039) -- CARRIED

e. Richard DeLuca (Comox BIA) Business Improvement Area Bylaw

Downtown Comox BIA

That the January 28, 2015 letter from Richard DeLuca, President of the Comox BIA, requesting that Council initiate the renewal of the Downtown Comox Business Improvement Area, be received and filed for information.

(15.040) -- CARRIED

9. LATE ITEMS: NIL

10. DELEGATIONS: NIL

11. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

a. Mayor Ives

Mayor Ives mentioned that he:

- attended a dinner with representatives of the Provincial Nominee Program as well as local businesses as part of an Emerging Technologies Forum at North Island College;
- attended a prayer and blessing event along with the Fire Chief at the Phil & Jennie Gaglardi Academy; and
- attended the Local Government Leadership Academy, and noted he attended workshops on the challenges of elected officials, strategic planning and municipal finances.

b. councillor Marg Grant

Councillor Grant mentioned that:

- she attended a Comox Archives and Museum Society meeting as alternate for Councillor Price;
- there will be a Walk from Cumberland to the Comox Mall as part of the 50th Anniversary of the Flag;
- she attended a Vancouver Island Regional Library Board meeting; and
- she attended the Local Government Leadership Academy, and in particular attended the Mayor's panel (which included) Mayor Ives.

c. Councillor MacKinnon

Councillor MacKinnon mentioned that he

- attended the Emerging Technologies Forum at North Island College;
- attended the Local Government Leadership Academy, including sessions on legal issues, first nations, citizen engagement, and communications and the media; and
- met with Dianne Hawkins of the Chamber of Commerce.

d. Councillor Price

Councillor Price mentioned that she attended a Regional District Water Committee and Sewer Commission meeting, and noted that the deferral of water filtration is no longer an option.

e. Councillor Swift

Councillor Swift mentioned that she

- attended the Local Government Leadership Academy forums; and
- attended the Sewer Commission meeting and noted that the search is continuing for a pump station site.

f. Councillor Arnott

Councillor Arnott mentioned that he attended the Director of Finance's briefing on municipal finances.

g. Councillor Ken Grant

Councillor Grant mentioned that he

- attended a Regional District budget meeting;
- attended a Sewer Commission meeting, and noted that they are putting together a working group;
- attended a Water Committee meeting, and noted they discussed water filtration and received a report regarding the boil water advisory; and
- attended a North Island Hospital Project liaison committee meeting, and noted that the project is on time and on budget.

14. EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC: NIL

Adjournment:

Regularly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified correct pursuant to Section 97(1)(b) of the Community Charter.

"Paul Ives"

MAYOR

"Richard Kanigan"

CORPORATE OFFICER