

**Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting,  
held in Council Chambers on Wednesday February 25, 2015**

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**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 4:15 p.m.

**1. Delegations: NIL**

**2. Minutes of Meetings: NIL**

**3. Department Reports: NIL**

**4. Staff Reports:**

**AT THIS POINT IN THE MEETING COUNCILLOR ARNOTT LEFT COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA**

**a. Marina Space for Comox Valley Marine Rescue Society**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Town provide offsetting grants for the annual moorage and hydro costs for the Marine rescue station and two berths (34' and 38') to the Comox Valley Marine Rescue Society until March 31, 2020.

*CARRIED*

**AT THIS POINT, COUNCILLOR ARNOTT RETURNED TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**b. Climate Action Reporting**

The 2014 Greenhouse Gas Inventory and the Draft Comox Climate Action Reporting was received for information.

**c. Review of Mack Laing House Report**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Town confirms the existing plan to remove the remaining structures from the Baybrook property and the Mack Laing Park property as they are in poor condition and finalize the park use plan to return the property to a natural state for passive recreation use.

*CARRIED*

**d. Draft Strategic Plan Update for 2015 – 2018**

The Strategic Plan Update 2015-2018 was received for information.

**e. First Draft of 2015 - 2019 Financial Plan**

The first draft of the 2015 to 2019 Financial Plan detail was received for information.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That Council add \$20,000 in casual wages to the fire department operating budget.

*CARRIED*

2. That a grant of \$2,500 per year, for the years 2015 to 2019, be provided to The Alberni Project.

That the motion be amended to replace the text "per year, for the years 2015 to 2019," with the text "for the year 2015".

*CARRIED*

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

3. That a grant of \$2,500 for the year 2015 be provided to The Alberni Project.

*CARRIED*

4. That the draft 2015-2019 Financial Plan include the following increases in property taxes:  
- In 2015, 1.5% for commercial and 2.5% for all other property classes, and  
- In 2016-2019, 2.7% overall.

*CARRIED*

**5. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**a. Walton (RCMP) 2015 Annual Performance Plan**

The February 11, 2015 letter from Inspector Tim Walton of the Comox Valley RCMP, regarding the Detachment's 2015 Annual Performance Plan, was received for information.

**7. Exclude the Public: NIL**

**Adjournment:**

Regularly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 5:40 p.m.

*CARRIED*

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

*"Paul Ives"*

CHAIR