

**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting,
held in Council Chambers on Wednesday February 18, 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 amended to include 1 Late Item and Adopted as amended.

There were 13 visitors in attendance.

1. DELEGATIONS:

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

a. Drew Hadfield (Station Leader) - Comox Valley Marine Rescue Society

Marine Rescue Society

Mr. Hadfield gave a brief overview and history of the Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue, as well as the Comox Valley Marine Search and Rescue Society. He identified the vessels that they have and the slips and space that they occupy in the Town marina. Mr. Hadfield requested that the Comox Valley Marine Search and Rescue Society continue its agreement with the Town of Comox to receive moorage at the Town marina at no cost.

AT THIS POINT, COUNCILLOR ARNOTT RETURNED TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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 February 4, 2015, be Approved.

(15.045) -- CARRIED

b. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

COW Minutes

That the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting, held in Council Chambers on Wednesday February 11, 2015, be Received.

(15.046) -- CARRIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (1) Council Remuneration for 2015

Council Remuneration

That the increase to Mayor and Council remuneration be set at 0% for 2015.

(15.047) -- CARRIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (2) Downtown Comox Business Improvement Area Renewal

Downtown Comox BIA

That Council proceed with the renewal of the Downtown Comox Business Improvement Area on its own initiative (in accordance with Section 213 of the Community Charter); and further,

That Bylaw No. 1803 (Downtown Comox Business Improvement Area Bylaw, 2015) be forwarded to Council for First, Second and Third Readings.

(15.048) -- CARRIED

- (3) Sanitary Sewer Service for 1139 Kye Bay Road

Sewer Service - 1139 Kye Bay

That Bylaw No. 1801 (Point Holmes Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Local Area Service Bylaw Amendment No. 2, 2015) be forwarded to Council for First, Second and Third Readings; and further,

That the standard sewer connection fee for 1139 Kye Bay Road be waived because the Town will not have to build the connection.

(15.049) -- CARRIED

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (4) 2015/2016 Marina Berthage Rates

Marina Rates

That staff draft a bylaw to increase 2015 Comox Marina berthage fees 1% overall (0% increase on lengths that are 26' and below, 1% on 27'-36', 2% on 37'&38', and 3% on 39' and over); and further,

That the next Financial Plan be drafted with 1% berthage increases in subsequent years.

(15.050) -- CARRIED

AT THIS POINT, COUNCILLOR ARNOTT RETURNED TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (5) Increases to 2015 Garbage Rates

Garbage Rates

That Bylaw No. 1799 (Comox Refuse Collection Bylaw Amendment No. 6, 2015) be forwarded to Council for First, Second and Third Readings.

(15.051) -- CARRIED

c. Special Council Meeting Minutes

Special Minutes

That the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting, held at d'Estere Seniors' Centre on Wednesday February 4, 2015, be Approved.

(15.052) -- CARRIED

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS: NIL

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Management Report - February 18, 2015

Management Report

That the Management Report for February 18, 2015 be received and filed for information.

(15.053) -- CARRIED

5. SPECIAL REPORTS:

a. Comox Valley Regional District Board Meeting Minutes

CVRD Minutes

*That the following Comox Valley Regional District meeting minutes be received for information:
-Comox Valley Regional District Board held on Tuesday, January 27, 2015*

(15.054) -- CARRIED

6. BYLAWS:

a. Bylaw 1799: Comox Refuse Collection Bylaw Amendment No. 6, 2015

Garbage Rates

That Bylaw 1799 (Comox Refuse Collection Bylaw Amendment No. 6, 2015) be given First, Second and Third Readings.

(15.055) -- CARRIED

b. Bylaw 1801: Point Holmes Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Local Area Service Bylaw Amendment No. 2, 2015

Sewer Service - 1139 Kye Bay

That Bylaw 1801 (Point Holmes Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Local Area Service Bylaw Amendment No. 2, 2015) be given First, Second and Third Readings.

(15.056) -- CARRIED

c. Bylaw 1803: Downtown Comox Business Improvement Area Bylaw, 2015

Downtown Comox BIA

That Bylaw 1803 (Downtown Comox Business Improvement Area Bylaw, 2015) be given First, Second and Third Readings.

(15.057) -- CARRIED

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d. Bylaw 1804: Comox Municipal Marina Fees Bylaw, 2015

Marina Rates

That Bylaw 1804 (Comox Municipal Marina Fees Bylaw, 2015) be given First, Second and Third Readings.

(15.058) -- CARRIED

AT THIS POINT, COUNCILLOR ARNOTT RETURNED TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Infrastructure Grant Application

Infrastructure Grant Application

That Council approve the Disaster Mitigation Grant Application that staff are submitting to the Small Communities (New Building Canada) Fund for the Lazo Road Shoreline Protection and Restoration project, and further that staff be directed to include the project in the 2015 Financial Plan at its new estimated cost of \$1,799,147 (of which the Town's 1/3 share would cost \$599,716) for construction as early as 2015.

(15.059) -- CARRIED

8. LATE ITEMS:

a. Appointment of Member of Council to Comox No. 2 Pump Station Advisory Group

Advisory Committee Appointment

That Councillor Swift be appointed to the Comox No. 2 Pump Station Advisory Committee.

(15.060) -- CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE:

a. John Cryderman - Marina Park

John Cryderman

That the February 11, 2015 email from John Cryderman regarding land for sale below the Town hall site, be received and filed for information.

(15.061) -- CARRIED

10. DELEGATIONS: NIL

11. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

a. Mayor Ives

Mayor Ives mentioned that he:

- attended the Throne Speech, and discussions with various members of Cabinet;
- attended the Regional Hospital District and Solid Waste Management Meetings;
- had a discussion with MMBC President Alan Langdon;
- met with the Minister of Environment regarding an MMBC contract;
- has been appointed to the RCMP Oversight Committee run by UBCM.

b. councillor Marg Grant

Councillor Grant mentioned that she attended a d'Esterre Senior' Centre meeting and the Ceremony of the Flag event.

c. Councillor MacKinnon

Councillor MacKinnon mentioned that he attended:

- Family Day at the Comox Community Centre,
- the opening of the Agricultural Show, and
- the Ceremony of the Flag event.

d. Councillor Price

Councillor Price mentioned that she:

- presented the 2015 Heritage Award to Lewis Bartholomew of The Alberni Project,
- attended the kick-off to Heritage Week - the Running of the Flag,
- participated in the walk for missing aboriginal women,
- attended a UBCM executive committee meeting, and
- attended the Regional board/budget meeting.

e. Councillor Swift

Councillor Swift mentioned that she attended

- the Solid Waste Management meeting,
- a Hospitals Project meeting and noted it is on time and on budget,
- the Ceremony of the Flag event,
- the Vancouver Island Agricultural Show, and
- a Sewer Commission meeting and noted that an advisory committee has been established to look at alternate sites for the pump station.

f. Councillor Arnott

Councillor Arnott mentioned that he attended the Wounded Warriors event, and the luncheon for recently retired Wing Commander Colonel Beninger.

g. Councillor Ken Grant

Councillor Grant reviewed his attendance at the regional district Water, Sewer and Committee of the Whole meetings. He also mentioned that he attended the Agricultural Show.

14. EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC: NIL

Adjournment:

Regularly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

CARRIED

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

"Paul Ives"

MAYOR

"Richard Kanigan"

CORPORATE OFFICER