

TOWN OF COMOX
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting,
held in Council Chambers on Wednesday August 1, 2018

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 as amended to include one late item.

There were 7 visitors in attendance.

1. DELEGATIONS:

a. John Paulin & Lynn Edey (Royal Canadian Legion) 1825 Comox Avenue / PR 18-3

1825 Comox Avenue

Mr. Paulin provided a brief overview of their liquor licence amendment application. He advised that their intent is to generate more funds in order to keep their doors open and to donate to veterans and charities. He advised that it will create a gathering place for the public and provide an added amenity for liquor service to the public.

b. Jason Walker (Land & Sea Brewing Company) 2040 Guthrie / PR 18-8

2040 Guthrie Road

Mr. Walker summarized his application. He advised that the intent is to provide local residents with a place to gather, to celebrate where they live and to enjoy fresh food and beverages.

c. Pat Savard (New Tradition Brewing) 215 Port Augusta Street Comox Mall / PR 18-10

215 Port Augusta Street

Mr. Savard provided background information on his application and the brewing process.

d. Al Fraser (Parks Superintendent) Wayfinding Project Update

Wayfinding Project

Allan Fraser, Parks Superintendent, provided an update for Council on the Wayfinding Project. He advised that the purpose of the program is to provide more logical and functional movement within Town. He advised that three types of signs will be used - those for identification of landmarks and features, those for directional information and those for interpretive information. Mr. Fraser advised that the program is also very easily expandable.

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 July 4, 2018, be Approved.

(2018.193) -- CARRIED

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS: NIL

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Management Report - August 1, 2018

Management Report

That the Management Report for August 1, 2018 be received and filed for information.

(2018.194) -- CARRIED

b. 2017 Annual Report

2017 Annual Report

That the 2017 Annual Report, as contained in the August 1, 2018 Regular Council Meeting agenda, be Approved.

(2018.195) -- CARRIED

5. SPECIAL REPORTS: NIL

6. BYLAWS: NIL

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Non-Binding Community Opinion Question - Future of Comox Golf Course Property

Future of Comox Golf Course

The July 25, 2018 report from the Chief Administrative Officer, titled Non-Binding Community Opinion Question - Future of Comox Golf Course Property, was received for information.

b. Non-Binding Community Opinion Question - Governance Restructure Study

Governance Restructure Study

The July 25, 2018 report from the Chief Administrative Officer, titled Non-Binding Community Opinion Question - Governancy Restructure Study, was received for information.

c. Loss of Municipal Officers' Expense Allowance

Municipal Officers' Expense Allowance

1. *That Council direct staff to amend the Comox Council Remuneration and Expense Bylaw, 2006 by deleting Subsection 2 (1) & (2) Council Remuneration and replace with the following:*

2(1) The Mayor shall be paid remuneration for discharge of the duties of office in the amount of thirty eight thousand, three hundred and eighty four dollars (\$38,384.00) per year

2(2) Each Councillor shall be paid remuneration for discharge of the duties of office in the amount of twenty thousand, two hundred and thirty dollars (\$20,230.00) per year.

And Delete Subsection 3 - Allowance for Expenses in its entirety.

(2018.196) -- DEFEATED

[Opposed: Councillors KGrant MGrant HMacKinnon MSwift]

2. *That staff be directed to engage an independent market review of Council remuneration, taking into account the changes in federal tax rules related to expenses incidental to the discharge of the duties of an Elected Municipal Office.*

(2018.197) -- CARRIED

**d. LATE ITEM: Development Variance Permit Application: DVP 18-4 1759 Robb Avenue
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The August 1, 2018 Planning Addendum Report titled, Development Variance Permit Application: DVP 18-4 1759 Robb Avenue, was received for information.

Development Variance Permit Application: DVP 18-4 1759 Robb Avenue

- 1. That Schedule 1 of the August 1, 2018 Planning Report on DVP 18-4 be amended to add the following condition: removal or reconstruction of the existing deck on the rear of the principal dwelling in compliance with Comox Zoning Bylaw 1850.

(2018.198) -- CARRIED

- 2. That Development Variance Permit DVP 18-4 be issued, subject to the as amended Development Variance Permit Conditions listed in Schedule 1 of the August 1, 2018 Planning Report on DVP 18-4.

(2018.199) -- CARRIED

e. Development Variance Permit Application: DVP 18-5 (2137 Comox Avenue)

2137 Comox Avenue

That Development Variance Permit DVP 18-5 be issued subject to the Development Variance Permit Conditions listed in Schedule 1 of the August 1, 2018 Planning Report on DVP 18-5.

(2018.200) -- CARRIED

AT 6:54 P.M. THE MEETING RECESSED IN ORDER TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING IN RELATION TO BYLAW NO. 1890 - REZONING APPLICATION RZ 18-4 (RECREATIONAL CANNABIS REGULATION STEP 2).

THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:15 P.M.

f. Planning Report PR 18-3 - Transition to LIQUOR PRIMARY from LIQUOR PRIMARY-CLUB LICENCE at 1825 Comox Ave. (Comox Legion)

Comox Legion

That staff be directed to gather the views of residents in the Town of Comox on the transition of the Liquor Primary-Club Licence to Liquor Primary Licence application PR 18-3 as follows:

- a. Placement of a newspaper notice with invitation to comment in two consecutive issues of a newspaper; and
- b. Mail-out of an invitation to comment to owners and tenants within 75 metres of the subject property.

(2018.206) -- CARRIED

g. PR 18-7 Recreational Cannabis Retail Procedure/Business Licence

Retail Cannabis Procedures

The August 1, 2018 Planning Report, titled PR 18-7 - Recreational Cannabis Retail Procedure/Business Licence, was received for information.

h. Planning Report PR 18-8 Lounge Endorsement Application Review 2040 Guthrie Road

2040 Guthrie Road

That staff be directed to gather the views of residents in the Town of Comox on the Lounge Endorsement application PR 18-8 as follows:

- a. Placement of a newspaper notice with invitation to comment in two consecutive issues of a newspaper; and
- b. Mail-out of an invitation to comment to owners and tenants within 75 metres of the subject property.

(2018.207) -- CARRIED

- i. Planning Report PR 18-10 Lounge Endorsement Liquor Licence Application Review New Tradition Brewing Company 215 Port Augusta St. - Comox Mall**

215 Port Augusta Street

That staff be directed to gather the views of residents in the Town of Comox on the Lounge Endorsement application PR 18-10 as follows:

- a. Placement of a newspaper notice with invitation to comment in two consecutive issues of a newspaper; and*
b. Mail-out of an invitation to comment to owners and tenants within 75 metres of the subject property.

(2018.208) -- CARRIED

- j. Regional Organics Composting Facility**

Organics Composting

That the Council of the Town of Comox provide conditional support to the Regional Organics Program and Option F, as outlined in the May 3, 2018 Technical Memorandum prepared by CH2M for the Comox Valley Regional District, and subject to a detailed cost comparative analysis being completed by the CVRD and given full consideration by the Comox Strathcona Waste Management Board on a Regional Compost Facility site in the Comox Valley or smaller facilities in both Campbell River and the Comox Valley versus solely locating the compost facility in Campbell River at the Norm Wood Environmental Centre.

(2018.209) -- CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. John Ingram - Comox Golf Course**

Comox Golf Course

That the June 29, 2018 email from John Ingram, regarding the conversion of the golf course to a park and the development of a waterfront walkway, be received and filed for information.

(2018.210) -- CARRIED

- b. Jonathan Barry (Ministry of Children and Family Development) Childcare BC New Spaces Fund Announcements**

Childcare BC New Spaces Fund

That the July 6, 2018 letter from Jonathan Barry, Ministry of Children and Family Development, regarding the Province announcement on details of its Childcare BC New Spaces Fund, be received and filed for information.

(2018.211) -- CARRIED

- c. Honourable Selina Robinson & Honourable Shane Simpson (Office of the Minister) Homelessness Action Plan**

BC's Homelessness Action Plan

That the July 13, 2018 letter from the Honourable Selina Robinson and Honourable Shane Simpson, regarding BC's Homelessness Action Plan, be received and filed for information.

(2018.212) -- CARRIED

- d. Sharren K. Grant (Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup) Thank you for the donation**

Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup

That the July 2018 letter from Sharren Grant of the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup, thanking the Parks Superintendent for his continued support of the event, be received and filed for information.

(2018.213) -- CARRIED

e. Wendy Booth (UBCM) Gas Tax Agreement Community Works Fund Payment

Community Works Fund Payment

That the July 20, 2018 letter from Wendy Booth, UBCM President, regarding the first of two Community Works Fund payments, in the amount of \$328,622.94, be received and filed for information.

(2018.214) -- CARRIED

f. Marcia Turner - DVP 18-4 (1759 Robb Avenue)

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That the July 24, 2018 email from Marcia Turner, regarding her support for DVP application 18-4, be received and filed for information.

(2018.215) -- CARRIED

g. Chris and Diane Gage - DVP 18-4 (1759 Robb Avenue)

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That the July 24, 2018 letter from Chris and Diane Gage, regarding their opposition to DVP application 18-4, be received and filed for information.

(2018.216) -- CARRIED

h. Bruce Jolliffe (Comox Valley Regional District) Initiation of Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 120, Amendment No. 1

RGS Amendment Initiation - 3L Developments

That the July 25, 2018 letter Bruce Jolliffe, Chair of the CVRD Board, regarding the initiation of an amendment to the Regional Growth Strategy, be received and filed for information.

(2018.217) -- CARRIED

9. LATE ITEMS: NIL

10. DELEGATIONS: NIL

11. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

a. Councillor Ken Grant

Councillor Grant advised that he attended a Regional District board meeting and a number of 3L Developments' meetings.

b. Councillor Arnott

Councillor Arnott advised that he attended the Pride Flag Raising event and a Regional District meeting regarding 3L Developments.

c. Councillor Swift

Councillor Swift advised that she attended:

- the 67-67 Potlatch event,
- the regular Filberg board meeting, and
- the Filberg volunteer dinner.

d. Councillor Price

Councillor Price advised that she attended:

- the 67-67 Potlatch community meeting,
- the Regional District committee of the whole meeting, and
- the raising of the Pride Flag event.

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e. Councillor MacKinnon

Councillor MacKinnon advised that he attended a Homelessness Coalition meeting and a Community Justice forum.

f. Councillor Marg Grant

Councillor Grant advised that she attended the Potlatch 67-67 event and participated in a bike tour to celebrate agriculture in the community.

g. Mayor Ives

Mayor Ives advised that he:

- met with the CAO, the Planner and representatives of St. Joseph's Hospital,
- attended the Change of Command ceremony at HMCS Quadra,
- participated in an interview process for Inspector Tim Walton's replacement,
- met with one declared candidate for mayor,
- attended the Pride Flag raising event,
- attended both Potlatch 67-67 events,
- attended the first of several graduation parade events for the air cadets, and
- responded to a number of queries regarding the killer whale and the fireworks event.

14. EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC:

a. Exclude the Public

Exclude the Public

That, pursuant to section 127 of the Community Charter, notice is hereby given that the Public be Excluded from the Special In-Camera Meeting of Council on Wednesday August 1, 2018, pursuant to the following sections of the Community Charter:

90(1)(a) Personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for a municipal award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the municipality on condition of anonymity; and

90(2)(b) The consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

(2018.218) -- CARRIED

Adjournment:

Regularly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 7:42 p.m.

CARRIED

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

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER