

VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY, 08 February, 2006
AT 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: L. Pepper Mayor
 R. Hay Councillor
 G. Neely Councillor
 D.Vye Councillor
 A. Bazinet Councillor

ALSO PRESENT: E. Stewart Spectator
 O. Vezina Spectator
 B. Lloyd Media
 G. Morrison Chief Administrative Officer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Pepper.

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS to the Agenda

Council accepted the addition to the agenda of Reports #6 Fire Chief's monthly report January 2006 and #7 Mayor Pepper's Campbell River Regional Hospital Meeting, February 2.

DELEGATIONS - Nil

MINUTES from Council and Committees of Council

49/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Minutes of the:

1. Regular Council meeting, 25 January 2006;
 2. Recreation Committee Meeting, 1 February 2006;
 3. Public Works Committee Meeting, 2 February 2006,
- be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING from Previous Minutes and Meetings

Recommendation from Recreation Committee Meeting of February 1

Maternity Relief Position Hire Date

50/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the hire date for the Maternity Relief position at the Community Centre be advance to Monday, February 13th instead of Monday, February 20th.

CARRIED

Community Centre Daily Cleaning Schedule

51/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Community Centre Daily Cleaning Schedule be accepted and posted in the janitor's room for reference.

CARRIED

Community Center Cleaning Fee

52/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Clean-up check list for the Recreation Facility Renters should be revised as follows:

1. Put away all tables and chairs used by your group.
2. Remove all garbage generated by your group to the outside dumpster.
3. Remove all decorations that you put up unless prior arrangements have been made for them to be reused.
4. Leave the kitchen in a tidy state.
5. Spot mop all spills throughout the complex.
6. Washrooms should be left in the same state that they are found.

and further that the cleaning fee be increased to cover the cost of the janitor's wages.

CARRIED

Recommendation from Public Works Committee Meeting of February 2

Transfer Station Recycling – Metal Bin

53/06

It was duly moved and seconded that there be no change to the operation at the transfer station at this time and that another cost analysis be done in six months.

CARRIED

Charges for White Goods

54/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Chief Administrative Officer prepare a fee schedule, based on the rates charged by the Regional District, and further that the implementation of fees for the disposal of white goods be discussed at the next Public Works Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

Remedy for Dangerous Trees – 1223 Maquinna and Park

55/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Public Works Foreman, make arrangements with the Village's contract faller to remove the dangerous trees at 1223 Maquinna Avenue as soon as possible. The two hemlock trees, in the park that have been identified as dangerous trees through Scott Muir's Assessment of January 23, 2006 also need to be removed as soon as possible. Tree limbs and debris from the park trees will be burned on site when weather permits.

CARRIED

Remedy for Dangerous Trees – Angus Dawson Memorial Ball Field

56/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Public Works Foreman make arrangements with the Villages contract faller to assess the job at Angus Dawson Memorial Ball Field and provide the village with a quote and a work plan to do the job.

CARRIED

Test for Emergency Generator – March 5th

57/06

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It was duly moved and seconded that the Public Works Foreman contacts either Mr. Keiver or K and K Electric, to make arrangements to test the emergency generator on Sunday, March 5th during the planned power outage.

CARRIED

Quote for Tires – P.W. Truck (one ton)

58/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Public Works Foreman be authorized to purchase six new tires for the one ton pickup from Tires and Treads at the quote price of \$1,136.00.

CARRIED

MINUTES from Other Organizations

59/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the minutes of the:

1. Mount Waddington Regional Hospital District, 13 December 2005;
2. Regional District of Mount Waddington, 13 December 2005;
3. North Vancouver Island Trails Society, 18 January 2006;
be received.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS

Incoming Mail Log

60/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Incoming Mail Log for the period 24 January, 2006 – 6 February, 2006 be received.

CARRIED

Receipt of Miscellaneous Communications

61/06

1. Cascadia Forest Products, dated 23 January 2006 re Cascadia Forest Products Ltd. Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP).
2. News release, dated 13 January 2006 re Partnership signals truce in salmon wars.
3. Federation of Canadian Municipalities, dated 24 January 2006, re Member's Advisory.
4. City of Burnaby, dated 17 January 2006, re Global Peak in Oil Production: The Municipal Context.
5. Health Canada, undated, re Smoke Free Public Places Resource Guide.
6. Society for Children and Youth of BC (SCY) dated December 2005, re Vocal Point Publication.
7. Pitch-In British Columbia, undated, re Operation Clean Sweep.
8. Provincial Emergency Program, dated 31 January 2006, re Elected Officials Workshops relating to Emergency Management.
9. Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia, dated 02 February 2006, re Risk and Roads Work Shop

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10. Province of British Columbia, undated, re announcement concerning land use plans protection of the Spirit Bear 07 February 2006 Pan Pacific Hotel.
11. City of Port Coquitlam. Dated 26 January 2006, re copy of letter sent to Prime Minister Stephen Harper from Mayor Scott Young re RCMP funding Arrangements.
12. Union of British Columbia Municipalities, dated 01 Feb, 2006, re UBCM Conference: Exploring Economic Development Options and Opportunities for Local Governments.
13. Civic Info BC, dated 01 Feb 2006, re Order of British Columbia Nominations.
14. Union of British Columbia Municipalities, re Emergency Preparedness Workshop Schedule, dated 03 February, 2006.
15. Vancouver Island Regional Library Board, re News Brief, dated February 2006.
16. Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, re Voting Rules, dated January 31, 2006.
17. Mt. Waddington Innovation Centre Society, re 2006 Annual General Meeting, dated 5 February, 2006.
18. Thompson Okanagan Interface Committee, re 2006 Wildland/Urban Interface Symposium, dated 3 February, 2006

CARRIED

Neucel Website Link

62/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from Carolyne Taylor of Carrot Learning.com, re Neucel linking website to the Port Alice website, dated 26 January 2006 be received and further that the Chief Administrative Officer advise Neucel that the Village is preparing a website link policy before allowing outside links to connect to the Villages site..

CARRIED

Village of Midway – Sawmill Closure

63/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from the Village of Midway, re Saw Mill Closures, dated 24 January 2006 be received and further that the publication “Getting More From Our Forests,” by Ben Parfitt be downloaded and made available to all of Council.

CARRIED

VIHA – Proposals for New Residential Care Beds and Assisted Living Units

64/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from VIHA, dated 1 February 2006, re the proposals for new residential care beds and assisted living units, be referred to the next council meeting.

CARRIED

Cowichan Green Community Society

65/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from Cowichan Green Community Society, dated 2 February 2006, re the Rural Air Quality forum, 23 February 2006, be received, filed and a copy forwarded to the Fire Chief.

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CARRIED

Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia

66/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia, dated January 2006, re Risk Management Tidbits, be received, filed and a copy forwarded to the Public Works Department.

CARRIED

RCMP – Request for Public Works Radio Frequency Access

67/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from the RCMP, dated 26 January 2006, re request for access to the public works radio frequency be received and further that it be approved.

CARRIED

Regional District of Mount Waddington – Emergency Management Agreement

68/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from Regional District of Mount Waddington, dated 24 January 2006, re Emergency Management Agreement, be received and referred to the next council meeting.

CARRIED

Seaview School – Bike Rodeo

69/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the request from Seaview School, dated 2 February 2006, to use the arena for the bike rodeo, in April or May.

CARRIED

REPORTS

Chief Financial Officer: Finance Warrant

70/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Finance Warrant No. 1, 2006 in the amount of \$231,241.34 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer: Office Janitorial Contract

71/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Office Janitorial Contract report, dated 5 January 2006, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer: Repairs to Doors and Cabinets

72/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Chief Administrative Officer's report, dated 5 February 2006, be accepted as presented and further that the Janitorial Contract be advertised.

CARRIED

Community Centre Supervisor's – Monthly Report

73/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Community Centre Supervisor's report for January be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

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Public Works Department – Monthly Report

74/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Public Works Department report for January be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Fire Chief's – Monthly Report

75/06

It was duly moved and seconded that the Fire Chief's monthly report for January be accepted as presented, and further that the Fire Chief be invited to attend the next Council meeting to discuss equipment needs for the department.

CARRIED

Mayor Pepper – Regional Hospital Meeting – Feb.

Mayor Pepper gave a verbal report on the North Island Regional Hospital Mayors meeting in Campbell River on February 2nd. Discussions included finding the best location for a regional medical facility that would benefit Northern Vancouver Island. The expected location will be North of Nanaimo with suggested locations of Qualicum, Comox or Campbell River. Mayor Pepper has been invited to sit on sub committee for this process and will be suggesting that Campbell River will be the best location to serve the North Island.

BYLAWS - Nil

NEW BUSINESS - Nil

QUESTION PERIOD

Errol Stewart

Errol Stewart questioned if the Marina Project was shelved? Mayor Pepper informed him that Council intends to proceed with the plans to build a Marina Facility. However a modified version of the original plan is being discussed and will likely exclude the fuelling station.

Ozzie Vezina

Ozzie Vezina questioned Council on the future of the Seniors Building and asked if it will be closed for financial reasons. Mayor Pepper informed Ozzie that if the building became too costly to maintain or if the recently reported damage is too expensive to repair Council may have no choice but to close the building. Mayor Pepper inform Ozzie that the Village is having the building assessed to determine what repairs are required and suggested that the Keenagers postpone any renovation plans to the building until the cost of repairs are known.

Mayor Pepper assured Ozzie that if Council is forced to close the building down the seniors would be relocated.

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Adjournment

It was duly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 8:10 PM to In-Camera to deal with legal, labour, land or litigation matters.

Certified Correct _____
Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor

Confirmed this _____ day of _____, 2006.