

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

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

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

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 Communications #5 a) UBCM, dated 3 March, 2006, re 2006 Resolution Process.

**DELEGATIONS - Nil**

**MINUTES from Council and Committees of Council**

**102/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Minutes of the  
Regular Council Meeting held 22 February, 2006  
Arena User Group Meeting held 23 February, 2006  
Recreation Committee Meeting held 1 March, 2006 and  
Public Works Committee Meeting held 2 March, 2006  
be adopted as presented:

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING from Minutes and Unfinished Business**

**Recommendations from the Recreation Committee**

**Gym Floor Finishing**

**103/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that Eugen Kleeman be asked to assess the condition of the gym floor and provide a recommendation to Council with an approximate cost for the work, and further that Eugen be asked if he would consider bidding on this job.

CARRIED

**D.V.D. Player - Purchase**

**104/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that a D.V.D. player be purchased for the Community Centre at a cost not to exceed \$75.00 before taxes and further that the model chosen should not be portable.

CARRIED

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**Volleyball - Purchase**

**105/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that two new volleyballs be purchased for the Community Centre at a cost not to exceed \$35.00/each before taxes.

CARRIED

**Recommendations from the Public Works Committee**

**Test Emergency Generator**

**106/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Public Works Department be authorized to proceed with arrangements to test the emergency generator and further that the Chief Administrative Officer contact BC Hydro to confirm what their requirements are when connecting buildings and or pumping stations to a generator.

CARRIED

**Charges for White Goods – 7 Mile Tipping Fees**

**107/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that charges for white goods be implemented effective May 1<sup>st</sup> as follows: all appliances \$15.00/each and tires \$3.00/each. The Public Works Foreman and the Chief Administrative Officer will work together on preparing proper signage and a procedure to receive payment for the items being dropped off. A notice regarding these upcoming changes will be sent out in the April utility bills.

CARRIED

**Sea View School – Drinking Fountain**

**108/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Chief Administrative Officer contact the Ministry of Health to find out what the regulations are pertaining to the installation of an outdoor fountain before further action is considered.

CARRIED

**North Island Kinsmen Return –It Centre**

**109/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Committees' recommendation regarding costs for transferring recyclable material be referred to discussions under Reports.

CARRIED

**Tender from Total Custom Carpentry – Seniors Centre**

**110/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the bids from Total Custom Carpentry for repairs to the Seniors Centre be approved and further that the repairs to be building begin as soon as possible. Tender amounts were as follows: Remove & Replace Dry Rot \$2,631.00, Remove and Replace Rotten Siding \$2,096.00, Rebuild Deck, Ramp, & Railings \$3,503.00.

CARRIED

**MINUTES from Other Organizations**

**North Island Regional Emergency Planning Committee**

**111/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the minutes of the North Island Regional Emergency Planning Committee, 02 February 2006 be received.

CARRIED

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**North Island Regional Emergency Planning Committee Quarterly Meetings**

**112/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that a copy of the minutes of the North Island Regional Emergency Planning Committee, 02 February 2006 be forwarded to Kevin Cameron and ask him if he would be able to attend the quarterly meetings as Port Alice's representative.

CARRIED

**North Island Post Secondary Education Committee**

**113/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that a copy of the minutes of the North Island Post Secondary Education Committee, 02 March 2006 be received and further that Mayor Pepper attend the next scheduled meeting as Port Alice's representative.

CARRIED

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Incoming Mail Log**

**114/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Incoming Mail Log for the period 18 February to 06 March, 2006 be received.

CARRIED

**Receipt of Miscellaneous Communications**

**115/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from Regional District of Mount Waddington, Bylaw No. 681, 7-Mile Solid Waste Disposal Fee Amendment Bylaw be received.

CARRIED

**Barbara & Peter Carter - Website**

**116/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from Barbara and Peter Carter, dated 5 March, 2006, re Website be received, and further that a letter be sent to the Carters thanking them for their concern and inform them that Council will promote fire safety awareness in the community through signage.

CARRIED

**Forest Fire Danger Rating Monitor**

**117/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Chief Administrative Officer check with the Ministry of Forests to find out how Port Alice could obtain a fire rating monitor and any guidelines or specifics that are required to properly assess and report the fire hazard rating. Council suggested that the fire rating monitor be installed at the Welcome sign.

CARRIED

**North Island Eagles – Triport Hockey Association**

**118/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Village of Port Alice donate an item bearing Port Alice's logo to the North Island Eagles Bantam AA hockey team for their raffle baskets at the upcoming Provincial Championship.

CARRIED

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**U.B.C.M. – 2006 Resolution Process**

**119/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from U.B.C.M., dated 3 March, 2006, re 2006 Resolution Process be referred to the next Council Meeting.

CARRIED

**REPORTS**

**Public Works - Monthly**

**120/06**

It was duly moved and seconded the Public Works monthly report for February 2006 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

**Fire Chief - Monthly**

**121/06**

It was duly moved and seconded the Fire Chief's monthly report for February 2006 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

**Chief Administrative Officer's - V.I. Regional Library Lease**

**122/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Port Alice Library Lease be renewed for a three year term with a 1% rate increase for 2006 which is equal to \$10, 896.00 per year, with a rate review for the year 2007 and 2008; and further that the Early Termination of Lease clause be added as requested.

CARRIED

**Chief Administrative Officer's – Office Janitorial Contract**

**123/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Municipal Office/Seniors Centre Janitorial Contract be re-advertised with a closing date of 4:00 p.m. on March 22nd.

CARRIED

**Chief Administrative Officer's – North Island Kinsmen Return-It Centre**

**124/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Village of Port Alice continue to use North Island Kinsmen Return-It Centre for weekly pick up of cardboard and other recyclables from the transfer station, at a rate of \$550.00 per month, and further that this service be used on a month to month basis with continual monitoring of costs.

CARRIED

**Chief Administrative Officer's – Letter to N.I. Kinsmen Return-It Centre**

**125/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that a letter be written to the North Island Kinsmen Return-It Centre to ask them if the cost of paper/cardboard increases would the profits be shared with the customers by reducing pick up charges?

CARRIED

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### **Mayor Pepper – Development Program**

Mayor Pepper gave a verbal report on his meeting in Courtenay on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Premier Gordon Campbell will be releasing \$50,000,000.00 in funding for a community development program from Duncan North. A committee of eight Mayors and forty or fifty directors will make up a committee that will decide on the projects that will receive funding through this program. It is anticipated that the processes will be in place and funding could be released by as early as September, 2006. Mayor Pepper informed the meeting that the Port Alice Marina funding will be obtained through this program. Mayor Pepper will be attending monthly meetings on this committee and further informed Council that his travel expenses will be paid by the development program.

### **Mayor Pepper – Meeting with Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services 6 Mar. 2006**

Mayor Pepper reported on his meeting with Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services in Victoria, on 6 March, 2006. Mayor Pepper informed Council that he felt the meeting went very well and feels confident that the Province will provide some financial assistance for Port Alice.

Dale Lietch had a pre meeting with the Minister and shared Council's plans to build a marina and attract a developer to build a resort.

Mayor Pepper informed Council that the Minister will be visiting Port Alice on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. She will arrive in Port Alice at approximately 11:30 a.m. and have a lunch meeting with Mayor Pepper and any available Councillors before taking her on a tour of the recreation facilities and the pulp mill.

### **Mayor Pepper - Policing Costs**

Mayor Pepper informed Council that he had heard a news broadcast that municipalities will be expected to share in policing costs by 2007 at a rate of 35%. UBCM was instrumental in postponing these costs at the local government level for the past few years however by 2007 these costs will likely be implemented.

### **BYLAWS - Nil**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Port Alice Mill Road – Eagle Hill**

Councillor Hay presented Council with some photos of an area on Eagle Hill that is deteriorating. Councillor Hay asked an engineer from Western Forest Products for his opinion of the area. Councillor Hay suggested that a culvert needs to be replaced. The job would take two to three days at the most and would require closing the road to traffic for a period of approximately four hours while the culvert is being replaced.

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**Port Alice Mill Road – Repairs to Eagle Hill**

**126/06**

It was duly moved and seconded that an estimate for road repair on Eagle hill be obtained.

CARRIED

**QUESTION PERIOD - Nil**

**Adjournment**

It was duly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 8:25 PM to In-Camera to deal with legal, labour, land or litigation matters.

CARRIED

Certified Correct \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Administrative Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

Confirmed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.