

VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY, 28 February, 2007
AT 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:	L. Pepper	Mayor
	G. Neely	Councillor
	A. Bazinet	Councillor
	D. Vye	Councillor
MEMBERS ABSENT:	B. Hay	Councillor
ALSO PRESENT:	G. Morrison	Chief Administrative Officer
	E. McMain	Media
	O. Vezina	Spectator

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

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS to the Agenda – Communications #18) Funding Application form Celebrate Canada; Reports #1) Councillor Neely, Vancouver Island Regional Library #2) Mayor Pepper, Regional Health Transportation.

DELEGATIONS – Nil

MINUTES from Council and Committees of Council

85/07

It was duly moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held 14 February, 2007 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING from Minutes and Meetings - Nil

MINUTES from Other Organizations - Nil

COMMUNICATIONS

Incoming Mail Log

86/07

It was duly moved and seconded that the Incoming Mail Log for the period 13 February, 2007 to 26 February, 2007 be received.

CARRIED

Receipt of Miscellaneous Communications

87/07

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from:

1. The City of North Vancouver, dated 14 February, 2007, re Habitat Protection for Mountain Caribou;
2. Tom Campbell, Royal Canadian Legion, dated 19 February, 2007, re British Columbia Royal Canadian Legion;

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3. Corrine Tiberghien, undated, re Thank you for door prize contribution and use of Community Centre;
4. Canadian Dental Assistants' Association, dated 15 February, 2007, re BC's dentists regulation dental assistants;
5. Honourable Claude Richmone, Minister of Employment and Income Assistance, dated 14 February, 2007, re 10 by 10 challenge;
6. Honourable Rich Coleman, Minister of Forests and Range and Minister Responsible for Housing, dated 15 February, 2007, re community forest agreement for the Village of Port Alice;
7. UBCM, dated 16 February, 2007, re 2007 Resolution Process;
8. Corporation of the Village of Pouce Coupe, dated 8 February, 2007, re Elimination of Funding for Child Care Services;
9. City of Langley, dated 18 January, 2007, re national Homelessness Initiative/Development of a Comprehensive National Housing Survey;
10. City of Langley, dated 18 January, 2007, re BC Building Code; be received.

CARRIED

**UBCM – Resolution B46, Resource Based Communities in Crisis
88/07**

It was duly moved and seconded that a copy of the letter from UBCM, dated February 5, 2007 and Resolution B46, Resource Based Communities in Crisis, be sent to C.E.P. Union, Local 514 for input from their members requesting an updated version of the Resolution for presentation at the 2007 UBCM Convention.

CARRIED

**City of North Vancouver – Resolution to Increase Minimum Wage
89/07**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from the City of North Vancouver, dated 14 February, 2007 be received; and further that the office staff take a local survey to determine how an increase to the minimum wage will impact businesses in the community before Council makes a recommendation on this issue.

CARRIED

**City of Burnaby – Trade Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement (TILMA)
90/07**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from the City of Burnaby, dated 08 February, 2007 be received; and further that the office staff contact the Ministry of Economic Development and request a copy of the TILMA Agreement, for Council's information prior to taking a position on this subject.

CARRIED

**Ladies Auxiliary Branch No. 180 – Request for Donation
91/07**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from the Ladies' Auxiliary Branch No. 180, dated 12 February, 2007 be received; and further that a sweat shirt or vest be donated to them for their upcoming auction on 28 Apr. 2007.

CARRIED

City of Powell River – PRIME Levy and Training Costs

92/07

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from the City of Powell River, dated 16 February, 2007 be received; and further that the Chief Administrative Contact the training officer in Courtenay to find out what the financial impact of PRIME will be for Port Alice.

CARRIED

2007 Vancouver Island Emergency Preparedness Conference

93/07

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from the Oceanside Emergency Social Services, dated 20 February 2007 be received and further that a copy of the Registration Form for the 2007 Vancouver Island Emergency Preparedness Conference be forwarded to Kevin Cameron with a note asking him if he is interested in attending.

CARRIED

Celebrate Canada Program – Funding Application

94/07

It was duly moved and seconded that the communication from Celebrate Canada, undated, re Canada Day Fund Application be received; and further that the funding application be submitted.

CARRIED

REPORTS

Councillor Neely – Vancouver Island Regional Library

Councillor Neely gave a verbal report on the Annual General Vancouver Island Regional Library Meeting held February ??, 2007. Highlights of this meeting included:

- § Peter Wainwright from Victoria was appointed Chairman.
- § Port Alberni Branch will undergo many changes.
- § Comox Branch will be getting a new building.
- § Bowen Island Branch will be getting a new building next year.
- § Virtual reference provides access to an online library who will guide anyone who needs help finding reference material through the library.
- § VIRL is forming a Federation which will include Greater Victoria, Salt Spring and Pender Island and Alert Bay. The Federation will have Service Agreements with these branches and will be eligible for Provincial funding.
- § Library One Card will enable a wider range of borrowing. The Greater Victoria Library Branch does not have the interface capabilities at the moment. Working through a Federation makes it easier however to apply for “flip grants” which theoretically could reduce fees.

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Mayor Pepper – Mount Waddington Health Transportation Study

Mayor Pepper attended the Mount Waddington Health Transportation Meeting today and reports that the Committee has been given a grant for \$25,000.00 to study the feasibility of operating a transportation service for primarily medical purposes in the Mount Waddington Regional District. If the study proves favourable there is an additional \$250,000.00 in Provincial funding that would be available for the purpose of buying a bus to support this service. There is a large network of volunteer drivers who are available for this service in the Mt. Waddington Regional District. A consultant has been hired to complete a study on the affordability and viability aspect of this service.

BYLAWS

Village of Port Alice Wharf Regulation Bylaw No. 529, 2007

95/07

It was duly moved and seconded that #8, “No person shall moor, or permit to be moored a vessel in excess of [20 feet] in length at the wharf”, under Moorage Restrictions be removed from the bylaw.

CARRIED

Village of Port Alice Wharf Regulation Bylaw No. 529, 2007

96/07

It was duly moved and seconded that Bylaw No. 529, 2007 be read for a second and third time as amended.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Marine Drive – Commercial Property

Mayor Pepper informed Council that the company who will be doing the marketing study for Wayne Geunter will be in Port Alice next Thursday for a site visit. Mayor Pepper will be available to spend the day with him.

Western Forest Products – Residential Property

97/07

It was duly moved and seconded that a letter be sent to Western Forest Products to see if the Company would be interested in selling the property, locally known as Eagle Ridge, located between the Light Industrial Park and the Public Works Yard, for the purpose of developing a residential subdivision.

CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD -

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Ozzie Vezina - Thanked Council for their decision to install a cross walk on Marine Drive in the area crossing from Port Alice Campground to the Sea Walk.

Adjournment

It was duly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 7:55 to In-Camera to deal with legal, labour, land or litigation matters.

CARRIED

Certified Correct _____
Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor

Confirmed this ____ day of _____, 2007.