

DISTRICT OF UCLUELET
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
held in the George Fraser Room, 500 Matterson Drive,
Ucluelet, BC on January 22, 2013 at 7:30 pm

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Irving
Councillor Corlazzoli
Councillor Lyons
Councillor Oliwa

STAFF PRESENT:

Andrew Yeates, CAO
Jeanette O'Connor, CFO
Barb Gudbranson, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Irving called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Councillor Corlazzoli, seconded by Councillor Lyons to adopt the January 8, 2013 Regular Council minutes as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS OUT OF MINUTES:

None

PUBLIC INPUT, DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS:

Andrew Bailey, 1475 Helen Road - inquired about the new municipal signage and funding source; funds are allocated from the Resort Municipality Initiative.

D-1 Local Health Area Profile Alberni (70)

Dr. Paul Hasselback, VIHA

Dr. Hasselback presented the updated Local Health Area Profile.

D-2 French Immersion Program Update

Denise Aujla, CPF Westcoast Chapter

Discussion took place on possible French Immersion program for the West Coast. Council was requested for assistance with financial support with cost of the UCC use and to attend the February 17, 2013 breakfast.

CORRESPONDENCE:

C-1 Technical Working Group request

Jennifer Spencer, West Coast Aquatic

Moved by Councillor Lyons, seconded by Councillor Oliwa to invite the West Coast Aquatic to attend council to review the working group findings once completed.

CARRIED

LC-1 West Coast Wave Initiative – Logistical Support

Dr. Bradley Buckham, Integrated Energy Systems Institute, UVIC

Moved by Councillor Lyons, seconded by Councillor Oliwa to continue with the in-kind contributions, and request that information and a presentation be provided to the high school to promote student interest in the sciences.

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS:

I-1 Senate Human Rights Committee Study on Cyberbullying

Honourable Mobina Jaffer, Senator for British Columbia

Moved by Councillor Corlazzoli, seconded by Councillor Lyons to receive information item I-1.

CARRIED

REPORTS:

R-1 Expenditure Voucher G-02/13

Jeanette O'Connor, CFO

Moved by Councillor Corlazzoli, seconded by Councillor Oliwa to receive Expenditure Voucher G-02/13.

CARRIED

R-2 Draft Consolidated Financial Statements, 2011

Jeanette O'Connor, CFO

Moved by Councillor Lyons, seconded by Councillor Oliwa to accept the Draft Consolidated Financial Statements 2011.

CARRIED

LEGISLATION:

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councillor Dario Corlazzoli

Ucluelet Chamber of Commerce

- Grand opening of new facility is scheduled for February 21, 2013, in conjunction with Vancouver Island Leadership and a combined presentation by Patrick Ross.
- Did not receive community infrastructure grant monies, confident will stay in budget, using savings to complete; District could assist with landscaping and parking lot, a request will come forward shortly.

Ucluelet Recreation Commission

- Working on completion of Recreation Master Plan, presentation to council to begin in March.
- Recreation Hall proposal, building upgrade and costs report complete and will be forwarded to council.

- Received good report from Youth Coordinator, requested more detail on number of children and activities; high usage of teen room; great response to ski trip.

Signage Committee

- Tweaking messages, final design near completion, installation slated for spring.

Councillor Geoff Lyons

Ucluelet & Area Historical Society

- Working on heritage signage with George Fraser Committee and District; signage to be part of a walking tour showing the history of the community.
- AGM is on February 16, 2013 at UCC, ask council thoughts on accommodation of waiving fee for AGM.

West Coast Multiplex

- Referendum has been approved; Geotech will assess land for stability to build; next step is raising 10-12 million dollars.

Central West Coast Forest Society

- AGM is February 6, 2013.

Ucluelet Aquarium

- Extremely successful year; Good release on December 15, 2012.
- Maintenance and cleaning of tanks over next two months, then collection of specimens for new season, opening March 17, 2013.

Councillor Randy Oliwa

Ucluelet Volunteer Fire Brigade

- Level one training program will be completed by end of March, Port Alberni will continue with additional training;
- Budget discussion on possible new fire truck as it twenty years old.

Ucluelet Emergency Program

- Meeting tomorrow night in the EOC; six municipal staff members will start training process as they will play key roles in the act of an event.

Parent Advisory Committee

- Lock down system now in effect at UES, guests to wear buttons when visiting school. Additional new programs being initiated are Dare, Kindergarten Roots and Respectful Relationships; Anti-Bullying Day is on February 27, 2013.
- School calendar will stay the same for 2013/2014 and 2015/2016, each district can amend school year.
- Teachers from the Elementary and Vancouver Island University have partnered in a new program; together they create a curriculum and critique each other, used as a good way to pass on skills and information.
- Constable McKinney proposing to run workshop in May on how to be web-safe.
- High School is applying to be a YES school (Young Entrepreneurs School), whole school is involved with leadership training, faculty workshops and a dance wrap up. If successful Ucluelet will be the second YES school.

Mayor Bill Irving

Tourism Ucluelet

- Renting an RV that will be wrapped with Ucluelet images and traveling from Ucluelet to Halifax stopping at functions along the way. Community will see results come the fall with level of bookings.
- Reviewed budget cycle and provincial reporting guidelines; Would like to see a clear decision making process and strategic planning ideas up to 2018;

2012 Strategic Planning Review

- The districts economic development initiatives, infrastructure upgrades, community forest, marine development, signage, parking and various other projects were reviewed.
- Ongoing initiatives include lobbying for fiber optics for the west coast, petitioning against the closure of Amphitrite Coast Guard Station, and continued upgrades to Hwy #4.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Councillor Oliwa, seconded by Councillor Corlazzoli for the Manger of Emergency and Environmental Services to contact the Ucluelet High School Vice-Principal to discuss signage initiative that will tie in with emergency services.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Lyons, seconded by Councilor Oliwa to ask the Ucluelet Elementary School, Ucluelet Secondary School and School District #70 on the pros and cons of initiating a French immersion program.

CARRIED

Barkley Forest Corporation

Require direction on funding as the stewardship plans need to start within the next thirty days; Request District of Ucluelet and Toquaht First Nations provide loan of forty five thousand dollars as previously discussed. Need a motion to proceed through UEDC to provide loan to Barkley Community Forest Corporation.

Moved by Mayor Irving, seconded by Councillor Lyons to provide a loan through UEDC to the Barkley Forest Corporation as agreed to.

TABLED-to budget discussion

Moved by Councillor Lyons to waive the fees for the Ucluelet & Area Historical Society AGM room costs.

MOTION FAILED


PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Council received comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Irving suspended the regular council meeting at 9:00 pm into a closed session. The closed session was called to order at 9:02 and adjourned at 9:24. The regular meeting of council was resumed at 9:25 and adjourned at 9:26.

CERTIFIED CORRECT: Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 7:30 pm in the George Fraser Community Room, 500 Matterson Road, Ucluelet, BC.



Bill Irving
Mayor



Andrew Yeates
CAO