



Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, February 8, 2010

Esquimalt Municipal Hall – Council Chambers

5:45 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Barbara Desjardins (Chair), Councillor Meagan Brame, Councillor Randall Garrison, Councillor Bruce McIldoon, Councillor Alison Gaul, Councillor Lynda Hundleby, Councillor Don Linge

STAFF: Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer
Barbara Snyder, Director of Development Services
Jeff Miller, Director of Engineering & Public Works
Scott Hartman, Director of Parks & Recreation Services
Gord Anderson, Deputy Fire Chief
Mary Turner, Acting Director of Financial Services
Pat Mulcahy, Manager of Human Resources
Marlene Lagoa, Sustainability Coordinator
Carollyne Evans, Corporate Administrator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Desjardins called the special Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

2. LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the agenda be approved.

The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

4. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS – 3rd PERIOD REPORTS (September – December)

(1) CAO's Third Period Report, Staff Report No. ADM-10-012

Moved by Councillor Garrison, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the Chief Administrative Officer's Third Period Report, Staff Report No. ADM-10-012 be received.

The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

- (2) Corporate Services Third Period Report, Staff Report No. ADM-10-002

Comment was made that the communications work being done is excellent in promoting the positive things in Esquimalt, and question was raised regarding the connection with Experience Esquimalt.

Comment was made on work that had not yet started on the review of the compliance of Esquimalt's marinas with environmental standards. Staff were asked to engage owners of marinas in discussions of the environmental standards and to work to assist them as opposed to working against them.

Moved by Councillor Linge, by Councillor Hundleby that the Corporate Services Third Period Report, Staff Report No. ADM-10-002 be received.
The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

- (3) Financial Services Third Period Report, Staff Report No. FIN-10-002

Acting Director of Financial Services Mary Turner gave an update on the staffing vacancies in the department.

Moved by Councillor Hundleby, seconded by Councillor Brame that the Financial Services Third Period Report, Staff Report No. FIN-10-002 be received.
The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

- (4) Development Services Third Period Report, Staff Report No. DEV-10-007

Comment was made that development cost charges are not noted in the Third Period report. Council is waiting to see the result of the height and density issues as to how they affect how DCCs are calculated.

Moved by Councillor Hundleby, seconded by Councillor Garrison that the Development Services Third Period Report, Staff Report No. DEV-10-007 be received.
The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

- (5) Engineering and Public Works Third Period Report, Staff Report No. EPW-10-004

Question was raised on the completion of the sidewalk master plan to which Director of Engineering Miller responded that the Township did not get funding to complete the plan, however, he is continually looking for funding sources.

Question was raised if new signage was coming for the Admirals and Colville intersection to alert drivers to be in the right hand lane if they wish to travel straight through on Admirals. Director Miller responded staff are working on the issues.

Question was raised if there were any infrastructure issues at Gorge Park as a result of the big rains, to which Director Miller was not aware of any.

Question was raised about the Dellwood Seawall to which Director Miller responded that the Township's consultant should have the four options ready by next week and the best option will be forwarded to DFO.

Question was raised on smoke testing to which Director Miller responded that staff is developing a plan. The results of dye testing catch basins were that only 4 out of 47 connected to the storm system showed a cross connection. Engineering has to figure out what is happening with the other 43 and may go back and do some more smoke testing.

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the Engineering and Public Works Third Period Report, Staff Report No. EPW-10-004 be received.

The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

- (6) Parks and Recreation Services Third Period Report, Staff Report No. P&R-10-001

Update was requested on the Olympic team training. Director of Parks and Recreation Scott Hartman responded that the Chinese Olympic Curling Team has been training at Archie Browning since February 1st and the public can view the practices. The paralympic torch relay is being hosted by the Township and DND on March 6th as a celebratory lead in to the paralympic winter games which run from March 12th to 21st.

Question was raised about the curling teams displaced by the Victoria Curling Class at Archie Browning March 25th to 28th. Director Hartman responded everyone impacted is being contacted and is being helped finding ice time.

Congratulations were given to staff for securing grant funding for events. Director Hartman stated he will bring an update to Council on his follow up on a regional curling facility.

Mayor Desjardins commented that an announcement will be made shortly on the proposed hockey academy program at Rockheights Middle School.

Director Hartman commented that he will have an update on the Global Rhythm Society at the end of the month.

Moved by Councillor Linge, seconded by Councillor Brame that the Parks and Recreation Services Third Period Report, Staff Report No. P&R 10-001 be received.

The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

- (7) Esquimalt Fire Rescue Third Period Report, Staff Report No. FIRE-10-001

Question was raised on the development of an extreme weather protocol. Deputy Fire Chief Gord Anderson responded that although there are no shelters in Esquimalt, emergency coordinators are notified and can advise where shelters are located in the Greater Victoria area. He added that a suitable location in Esquimalt has not been identified as yet. Vic West shelter

has not been used to capacity this winter.

Question was raised on the increase in medical aid calls. Deputy Chief Anderson responded that there is no way to ascertain if the numbers were impacted by the ambulance service, however, it appears the increase has to do with the resource allocation protocol.

Question was raised on the huge increase in oil tank inspections to 50 this year from 15 last year. Deputy Chief Anderson will look into it.

Question was raised if fire fighters are trained in the use of paddles (defibrillator) for heart attacks to which Deputy Chief Anderson responded all personnel are trained, however, they are not used very often.

A status report was requested for the boarded up property located at 636 Admirals Road, if any of the suites are habitable and the status of the tenants that were displaced.

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the Esquimalt Fire Rescue Third Period Report, Staff Report No. FIRE-10-01 be received.

The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

7. PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

Excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing

Mayor Desjardins called three times for public input and there was none.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the Special Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

9. MOTION TO GO *IN CAMERA*

Moved by Councillor Gaul, seconded by Councillor Garrison, that Council convene In Camera.

The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

MAYOR OF THE CORPORATION
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT
THIS 8th DAY OF MARCH, 2010

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CAROLLYNE EVANS
CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR

