

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2009 7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT:Mayor Barbara Desjardins
Councillor Bruce McIldoon
Councillor Alison Gaul
Councillor Lynda Hundleby
Councillor Meagan Brame
Councillor Donald Linge
Councillor Randall Garrison

STAFF:

- T. Day, Chief Administrative Officer
- L. Hurst, Director of Financial Services
- G. Coté, Director of Engineering and Public Works
- L. Randle, Manager of Corporate Services
- B. Snyder, Director of Development Services
- J. Byron, Manager of Recreation (departed at 8:45 p.m.)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Desjardins called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. LATE ITEMS

Item 9 (5) on the agenda has been moved forward to be the first item considered under section 9 and a verbal report from Councillor Garrison on the E & N rail trail has been added as item 10 (2).

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the agenda as amended be approved. The motion **CARRIED**.

4. PRESENTATION

(1) Paul Servos and Don Prittie, Greater Victoria Harbour Authority

Mr. Servos and Mr. Prittie gave a PowerPoint presentation that provided a broad overview of the activities of the Greater Victoria Harbour Authority. It was noted that there will be an Open House at Fisherman's Wharf on May 2nd and an Open House at Ogden Point on May 9th.

5. MINUTES

(1) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, April 6, 2009

It was noted that under section 11 (2) of the minutes that Councillor "Garrison" should be added due to an omission.

Moved by Councillor Garrison, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, April 6, 2009 be adopted as corrected. The motion **CARRIED.**

6. PUBLIC INPUT (On items listed on the Agenda)

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

Mayor Desjardins invited public input but nobody came forth.

7. DELEGATION

(1) Kim Bellefontaine, Sewage Treatment Action Group, Re: Resident Concerns with Community Engagement on Sewage Treatment Planning

Ms. Bellefontaine presented a report to Council that was received earlier in the day and distributed to Council members. She says that the Sewage Treatment Action Group is concerned with the public consultation process on wastewater management being conducted by the Capital Regional District. She says they are taking a too little, too late approach which is also too narrow in scope. She concluded by asking for Council's assistance in addressing the concerns of residents about public consultation on wastewater management with the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) From the Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting, April 14, 2009

(a) 2009 – 2011 Draft Strategic Plan Moved by Councillor Hundleby, seconded by Councillor Brame that the 2009-2011 Strategic Plan be adopted as presented. The motion **CARRIED**.

9. STAFF REPORTS

Police Services

(1) Public Awareness of Business Practice, Verbal Report from Inspector Les Sylven

A 4-minute video of a TV news report on the matter of local retail outlets selling items used for smoking crack cocaine was shown. Inspector Sylven said that although selling the products is not illegal, the Police are trying to enforce drug laws and focus their efforts on traffickers. Council and the Police agreed to work together to address the problem.

Moved by Councillor Gaul, seconded by Councillor Brame that staff examine options aimed at discouraging the selling of items in local stores which are commonly used for drug taking purposes and include input from the Police in the report. The motion **CARRIED**.

The Mayor noted that Council should work with the business community to address the problem. Councillor Garrison suggested that a voluntary code of conduct be established by businesses.

Administration

(2) Failure to File Campaign Financing Disclosure Statement, Staff Report No. ADM-09-022

Moved by Councillor Linge, seconded by Councillor Brame that Staff Report No. ADM-09-022 be received. The motion **CARRIED.**

Engineering and Public Works

 Contract Award – Craigflower Road Corridor Upgrades Phase 1, Staff Report No. EPW-09-023

The Director of Engineering and Public Works gave a PowerPoint presentation on Phase 1 of the Craigflower Road Corridor Upgrades project and reviewed options for spending the unanticipated balance of the project budget which could be used for landscaping.

Moved by Councillor Hundleby, seconded by Councillor Brame that:

- 1. The construction contract for Craigflower Road Corridor Upgrades Phase 1 be awarded to Aggressive Excavating for the sum of \$2,478,335.50 including the GST.
- That the Mayor and the Corporate Administrator be authorized to sign the documents related to the acquisition of land or of statutory right-of-way for the widening of Craigflower Road in front of 933 and 935 Craigflower Road.

The motion **CARRIED.**

Parks and Recreation

(4) Parks and Recreation Customer Service Improvement; Staff Report No. P&R-09-016

Moved by Councillor Linge, seconded by Councillor Brame that Staff Report No. P&R-09-016 be received. The motion **CARRIED.**

(5) Esquimalt Food Services Review, Staff Report No. P&R-09-017

Moved by Councillor Linge, seconded by Councillor Garrison;

1 That council establish a nine member committee that will review and make recommendations on all aspects of food service delivery by the Township of Esquimalt.

- 2 That Council establish committee membership by:
- a) appointing one member from Council
- b) inviting applications from facility user groups and appointing two members from groups who use the sports centre and two from groups who use the recreation centre
- c) appointing two members from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

d) appointing two members from the community at large The motion **CARRIED.**

Council asked that the final section in Staff Report No. P&R-09-017 titled FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS be changed to read "Council's decision on food service delivery will be effective as of 2010 and so will not have an impact on the 2009 budget."

Mayor Desjardins called a 5-minute recess at 8:45 p.m. The Manager of Recreation left the meeting at 8:45 and did not return. Mayor Desjardins reconvened the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Finance

(6) Request for 2008 Property Tax Penalty Reversal, Staff Report No. FIN-09-008

Moved by Councillor Linge, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that Council not forward the request for reversal of the 2008 property tax penalty to the Minister of Community Services. The motion **CARRIED**.

10. MAYOR'S AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

(1) Report from Councillor Garrison, Re: Proposed Crosstown Bus Route

Moved by Councillor Garrison, seconded by Councillor Gaul that Council continue to support creation of the proposed new Crosstown Bus Route with the extension to Dockyard as an integral part of the plan.

The motion **CARRIED.**

(2) Verbal report from Councillor Garrison, Re: E & N Rail Trail

Councillor Garrison explained that he recently went on an E & N Trail bus tour. To fund the entire project would cost \$20 million but only \$10 million has been secured. A decision on what part of the trail to complete with the \$10 million will be made in the near future. Options will be presented at a CRD parks meeting in late May.

Esquimalt still needs funding for the Admirals – Colville intersection. A staff report to Council on options for Esquimalt's interests in the trail will be presented soon.

11. **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

(1) Committee of the Whole Report, April 14, 2009 [Motion to approve the recommendations]

Moved by Councillor Linge, seconded by Councillor Brame to approve the recommendations in the Regular Committee of the Whole Report, April 14, 2009. The motion **CARRIED.**

12. COMMUNICATIONS

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Garrison that Communications items 1, 3, 4 and 6 be received. The motion **CARRIED.**

- Letter from Mayor Derek Corrigan, City of Burnaby, dated March 24, 2009, Re: Six Storey Wood-Frame Residential Buildings
- (2) Letter from the Capital Regional District Environmental Services,

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Gaul that Councillor Garrison attend the CRD Climate Action Steering Committee and Working Group meetings with Councillor Hundleby to be the alternate.

The motion **CARRIED**.

- (3) Email from Kris Terauds, dated April 3, 2009, Re: Performance Paddlers Oppose Mega Yacht Marina Proposal in Victoria Harbour
- (4) Letter from the Esquimalt Buccaneer Days Committee, dated April 9, 2009, Re: 2009 Buccaneer Days Committee Appointments
- (5) Letter from Premier Gordon Campbell and Minister Mary Polak, received April 14, 2009, Re: GamesTown 2010 Contest

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Garrison that the letter from the Premier regarding the GamesTown 2010 Contest be forwarded to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. The motion **CARRIED**.

(6) Letter from Encorp Pacific Canada, dated April 2009, Re: Ne Print Material for the Return-It Milk Program

13. PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

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

Rod Lavergne, 45 Fraser Street asked when will Council rise and report on fire department issues?

Muriel Dunn, 1193 Old Esquimalt Road asked whether softball teams should get insurance through the municipality. She said she sent a letter to the Township of Esquimalt about the lack of food at events at Archie Browning and is still waiting for an answer.

14. MOTION TO GO IN CAMERA

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby to go *In Camera* pursuant to Section 90 of the *Community Charter* to discuss the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality; negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonable be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public; the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between

a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party , pursuant to Section 90 (1) (e) and (k) and 90 (2) (b) and that the general public be excluded. The motion **CARRIED.**

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the meeting be adjourned at 9:27 p.m. The motion **CARRIED**.

MAYOR OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT THIS 4TH DAY OF MAY, 2009

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LAURIE HURST A/CORPORATE OFFICER