



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2009**

**5:45 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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

STAFF: L. Hurst, I/Chief Administrative Officer
P. Mulcahy, Manager of Human Resources
C. Evans, Manager of Corporate Services

OTHER: 2 members of the public

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Desjardins called the meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.

2. **LATE ITEMS**

There were no late items.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Linge, seconded by Councillor Garrison that the agenda be approved as presented.

The motion **CARRIED**.

4. **2008 ANNUAL REPORT**

I/Chief Administrative Officer Laurie Hurst stated it is a legislative requirement to present the Annual Report to Council at a public meeting before June 30th to give the public an opportunity to make submissions and ask questions.

Ms. Hurst noted there were a few omissions and errors to the revenue and expense reports in the financial statements. As well, the scanner realigned some of the financial columns requiring the pages to be replaced.

Ms. Hurst stated the Annual Report is a reflection of the activities during 2008. The information in the staffing reports is a summary of the information that has previously been presented to Council.

Councillor Garrison pointed out the police statistics were done for just Esquimalt and showed a drop in crime rate and incidences. He stated this reiterated the requests this year to the police for statistics for just Esquimalt which have yet to be submitted.

The Mayor called for questions and submissions from the public and there were none.

Moved by Councillor Linge, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the 2008 Annual Report as presented to Council, with corrections noted, be received.

The motion **CARRIED**.

5. **STAFF REPORTS**

- (1) Telephone Booths – Esquimalt Road and Head Street Intersection, Staff Report No. EPW-09-026

I/Chief Administrative Officer Laurie Hurst clarified that the recommendation to remove the two telephone booths in front of the 24 hour convenience store in the shopping centre at 880-890 Esquimalt Road is based on the indication that they are used for inappropriate and illegal activities. Removal of the booths is a follow-up to the TV exposé concerning sale of drug paraphernalia and a specific request from the business owners in that plaza.

Ms. Hurst noted that the booths are on private property. Staff require Council's approval in order to proceed with contacting the property owner(s) and Telus to request the booths be removed.

Mayor Desjardins advised the Community Policing Advisory Group and the police department are very aware of the problems and support of removal of the booths.

Council noted there were three telephone booths in the area, two in front of the convenience store and one by the bus stop in front of 899 Esquimalt Road. It was clarified that the booth by the bus stop is very well lit, highly visible and frequently used, whereas the other two in the plaza are not.

Moved by Councillor Hundleby, seconded by Councillor Linge that Council authorize staff to contact the Owners and Telus in order to remove the two telephone booths in front of the 24 hour convenience store in the shopping centre at 880 – 890 Esquimalt Road.

Discussion:

Councillor Gaul expressed her concern with how the report was brought forward and that it was very thin. She stated in the future it is important that Council receive more input before a report is brought forward.

Council requested the minutes from the business owners meeting be circulated to them.

Question was called on the motion and it **CARRIED**.

6. MAYOR'S RISE AND REPORT

(1) Report from Mayor Desjardins, Fire Department Audit.

Mayor Desjardins reported that Council will be selecting the Fire Department

7. 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 personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for an appointment by the municipality, pursuant to Section 90 (1) (a) and that the general public be excluded;
The motion **CARRIED**.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Garrison, seconded by Councillor Hundleby that the meeting be adjourned at 6:30 p.m.
The motion **CARRIED.**

MAYOR OF THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT
THIS 6TH DAY OF JULY, 2009

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CAROLLYNE EVANS
CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR