

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Monday, April 25, 2022 @ 2:00 PM
In the City Hall Council Chambers – 4850 Argyle Street, Port Alberni, BC

PRESENT: Mayor S. Minions | Electronically
Councillor R. Corbeil
Councillor D. Haggard [Chair]
Councillor R. Paulson
Councillor C. Solda
Councillor D. Washington

ABSENT: Councillor H. Poon

A. CALL TO ORDER & APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the agenda be amended to include item I.7 under Proclamations, 'Alberni Valley Hospice Society'. The agenda was then approved as amended.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. *MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the minutes of the Special meeting held at 9:30 am and Regular Council meeting held at 2:00 pm on April 11, 2022 and Special meeting held April 19, 2022 at 2:30 pm be adopted.*

CARRIED

C. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

D. DELEGATIONS

1. **Housing Development | 3027-3037 2nd Avenue**
Dion Whyte, Director at New Commons Development and Katrina Kiefer, Executive Director for Canadian Mental Health provided Council with an update for the proposed housing development on City-owned lands located at 3027-3037 2nd Avenue. The project, first introduced to Council in 2020, has been amended to now include a mixture of both supportive and affordable housing units in partnership with BC Housing.

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council direct staff to establish a Memorandum of Understanding for City-owned lands at 3027-3037 2nd Avenue as it relates to the proposed housing development between New Commons Development, the Canadian Mental Health Association and BC Housing.

CARRIED | Res. No. 22-82

2. **Port Alberni Folkfest Multicultural Society**
Members Angie Blake and Bonnie Ruttan of the Port Alberni Folkfest Multicultural Society provided information related to the 2022 Canada Day Parade and associated activities. Members also inquired regarding additional City support and expressed the need for community volunteers to help make the event a success.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Private Members Bill C-216 [Mayor Minions Notice of Motion provided April 11, 2022]**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council support Private Member's Bill C-216 submitted by MP Gord Johns [Courtenay-Alberni] to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and to enact the Expungement of Certain Drug-related Convictions Act and the National Strategy on Substance Use Act.

CARRIED | Res. No. 22-83

F. STAFF REPORTS

1. **Accounts**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the certification of the Director of Finance dated April 25, 2022, be received and the cheques numbered 150350 to 150442 inclusive, in payment of accounts totalling \$ 1,599,782.98, be approved.

CARRIED

G. BYLAWS

1. **"City of Port Alberni Tax Rates Bylaw No. 5053, 2022"**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT "City of Port Alberni Tax Rates Bylaw No. 5053, 2022" be now finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and Corporate Officer and numbered 5053.

CARRIED | Res. No. 22-84

H. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

1. **United Steelworkers Local 1-1937 | National Day of Mourning**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council authorize that the National Day of Mourning Flag be flown at half-mast on April 28, 2022 at City Hall through to May 6, 2022 and FURTHER, THAT the City of Port Alberni observe a moment of silence in respect of those who have died on the job.

CARRIED | Res. No. 22-85

2. **BC Community Forest Association | Tabular Stumpage Rates**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council for the City of Port Alberni direct staff to prepare a resolution for submission to the Union of BC Municipalities for Council's consideration in advance of the June 30th submission deadline in support of the BC Community Forest Association's request that the Province of British Columbia maintain the tabular rate structure for community forest agreements.

CARRIED | Res. No. 22-86

I. PROCLAMATIONS

1. **BC Economic Development Association**

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council proclaim the week of May 9 – 13, 2022 as 'Economic Development Week' in Port Alberni.

CARRIED | Res. No. 22-87

2. **Moose Hide Campaign**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council proclaim May 12, 2022 as 'Moose Hide Campaign Day' in Port Alberni.
CARRIED | Res. No. 22-88
3. **Falun Dafa Association of Vancouver**
Council received correspondence dated April 4, 2022 from the Falun Dafa Association of Vancouver requesting that Council proclaim May 13, 2022 as 'Falun Dafa Day'. Council did not proceed with a formal recommendation.
4. **Fondation Émergence, McGill University**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council proclaim May 17, 2022 as 'International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia' in Port Alberni and authorize flying the Pride flag at City Hall in support of this day.
CARRIED | Res. No. 22-89
5. **Nature Canada**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council proclaim June 8, 2022 as 'World Ocean's Day' in Port Alberni.
CARRIED | Res. No. 22-90
6. **Operation Smile Canada**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council proclaim June 19, 2022 'Longest Day of SMILES' in Port Alberni.
CARRIED | Res. No. 22-91
7. **Alberni Valley Hospice Society**
MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT Council proclaim the week of May 1 to 7, 2022 as 'Hospice Palliative Care Week in the Alberni Valley'.
CARRIED | Res. No. 22-92

J. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

1. *The Director of Corporate Services summarized correspondence to Council as follows:*
 - a. City of Fort St. John | 'Extended Hour Child Care for Shift Workers'
 - b. Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation | Stronger BC: A Plan for Today, a Vision for Tomorrow
 - c. District of Sicamous | Invasive Mussel Defense Program & Luxury Tax on Recreational Boats
 - d. Community Action Team | In Support of Bill C216 to Amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act
 - e. United Way BC | 2022 Period Promise Campaign
 - f. Alberni Valley Museum and Heritage Commission | March 2, 2022 Minutes

K. REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

1. Appointees to Community Investment Program Committee

The Director of Corporate Services advised of the appointment of Callan Noye and Joshua Dahling to the City's Community Investment Program Committee effective April 1, 2022 and concluding December 31, 2022.

L. COUNCIL REPORTS

1. *MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the Council reports outlining recent meetings and events related to the City's business, be received.*

CARRIED

M. NEW BUSINESS

N. QUESTION PERIOD

1. Neil Anderson

Inquired regarding:

- Submission of a resolution to the Union of BC Municipalities in support of increased subsidies for seniors.
- Contractors hired for the Kingsway Hotel renovations.
- Establishment of a Council Code of Conduct.

2. Joseph Leskosek

Requested information on the City's communication process related to flag status and proclamations.

O. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED AND SECONDED, THAT the meeting adjourn at 3:20 PM.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT



Mayor



Corporate Officer